

SHORTWAVE BULLETIN

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Notera att stoppdatum har ändrats till nästa nummer. Orsaken är att min svägerska skall gifta sig den 21/8 och vi har åkt på en hel del förberedelse för detta evenemang.

Det tar minsann lite tid att fixa i kyrkan och festlokalen för c:a 100 gäster!! Radiolyssnandet verkar dessutom vara på lågnivå nu.

Kanske hettan gör sitt och inte bara dåliga konditioner??

Som vanligt kommer en del kommentarer i slutet av bullen som kan vara av intresse, om inte annat så blir det utfyllnad ...

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Observera ändrat stoppdatum. Nästa nummer utkommer först om 3 veckor.

Elektronisk SWB.

SWB på nätet hittar du på dessa sajter: TN:s <http://home.sverige.net/thomas.nilsson/swb.htm> och AHK:s <http://www.algonet.se/~ahk/swbhome.html>

QSL, kommentarer, mm.

Christer Brunström: Jag och LB var i Kanebergsstugan och lyssnade den 26-27 juli och det hördes en hel del. God fortsättning i värmen!

Hermod Pedersen: En småsak: Municipal loggades 23 juli, inte 23.2 som det blev.

Christer Sandberg: Äntligen ett livstecken från C.S. Tack för den utmärkta bullen och all info som bifogas. Trots Windows 98, föredrar jag nog pappersvarianten tills vidare.

Efter att ha lagat tråden, har det nu blivit en del lyssnande. Dock inte något sensationellt. Skall skriva en uppställning på Haldan ute i torpet, så den kommer med manuell post. Svar har kommit från **Radio Difusora Acreana 4885** med brev på rapport från den 26 jan. 1996. (*Det går nog inte att skriva @ på en gammal svensk skrivmaskin, finns inte med i den vanliga teckenuppsättningen, f-n vet om nån annan än de som läst fysik kände till detta tecken på den tiden när Haldan gjordes ... /red*)

Jan Edh: Jag och Ronny Forslund var ute i Fredriksfors 26/7. Uselt på KV, mycket sämre på MV...

Jag gav upp vid 3-tiden, inget tydde då på att det skulle bli bättre. Efter det har det varit en hel del åska. Och mycket höga solvärden. Detta tillsammans med att jag föredragit stugan, stranden m m (ok, jag erkänner, jag har druckit både öl och en sval chardonnay till fisken) har gjort att lyssningen i övrigt inskränkt sig till vad stugan erbjudit, och det har inte varit mycket. Argentinarna på 15820 usb och lsb har gått kanon vid några tillfällen, litet 25- och 31 mb-brassar. Inget spännande alls... Nu är vädret sämre, men jag tror inte det blir någon lyssning förrän möjligen söndag kväll.

Lars-Erik Svensson: Det blir inte så många tips denna gång. Har kollat men det är samma stationer, endast hörbarheten varierar. Var har alla peruaner mellan 5200-5800 tagit vägen, har kollat men inget har hörts där.

Alla har ju framfört superlativer om ditt fina arbete med SWB, jag vill inte ställa mig vid sidan av detta. Tack Thomas för kvalitet, proffsighet och engagemang! Det var allt denna gång, med hälsning!

Dan Olsson: Vid denna sena timme, 2145, SST sätter jag mig ner för att bidra. Tyvärr har det blivit sent beroende på min sjukdom, Har fått lunginflammation och medicinen gör att man blir ganska så trött. Tipsen denna gång kommer från en lyssnarvecka uppe hos Odd Påg utanför Strömstad. Jag var där tillsammans med Jan Thörnblom under tiden 24 - 31 juli. Konditionerna var på kortvåg ganska bra, mellanvåg inte alls bra och på FM utmärkta. Nu skall jag gå och ta penicillin och hostmedicin och sen gå och lägga mig. (*Dan, du måste göra något åt typerna på din skrivmaskin - dina fax blir väldigt otydliga. /red*)

Övriga radionyheter:

#swl chat area

Information on the #swl chat area is available at: <http://www.itre.ncsu.edu/radio/swltalk.html>, [Dan - K4VOA via Hard Core DX]

Grundig Satellite 800 (rec.radio.shortwave)

Just read in the latest edition of Monitoring Times that the joint venture of Drake and Grundig (which I guess was a quiet 'merging' of the two giant companies) is going to yield the Grundig Satellite 800, sometime later this year, probably in time for the Christmas buying season, right? :-) At any rate, the article briefly mentioned this new receiver as a "beefy portable", a new sibling to their more legendary Sat 650, and should look similar but perform better than ever, with a mixture of Drake's great synch. detector and performance and Grundig's classic clean audio. The price given in the article was around \$500 US. Sorry if this is old news, but it sure excited me! Mike, gdfthr768@aol.com (Gdfthr768)

Brazilian churches and radio?

Igreja Pentecostal 'Deus é Amor' is the most(?) prominent figure in Brazilian religious radio as they are responsible for the 'A Voz da Libertacao' -programme relayed by many Brazilian stations. Their home page is at <http://ipda.org.br/>.

Another interesting web-site to visit, is 'Gideões Missionários da Última Hora' at <http://www.gmuh.com.br/>. Their programmes are broadcasted by Radio Marumby on 9665 kHz.

Pentti Lintujärvi, Helsinki, Finland, Webmaster of 1000 Lakes DX Page at <http://www.geocities.com/Colosseum/Park/3232/dx.htm> [Via Hard Core DX]

LOGGEN - ALL TIMES ARE UTC



2325 3172	26.7	2045	Australien. Också 2310, men sämre. Inte ett ljud från 2485 som tycks vara borta för tillfället. QSA 2 JE Blåddrade igenom sommarens SWB och lade märke till KO's kommentar om Municipal på 3172 "en helt ny och okänd station". Kan vara på sin plats att konstatera att stationen noterades av Jarmo Havukunas i Lemmenjoki vid årsskiftet 1998-1999 och loggades också av ett par andra i Finland i januari 1999. 73 från JEÖ (Jan-Erik Österholm, tidigare medlem)
3200	31.7	0215	R 9 de Abril med typisk bolivianska flöjtmusik DO
3245	26.7	0040	R Clube de Varginha spelade Please forgive me med Sting, Adams och Stewart DO
3250	26.7	0315	R Luz y Vida med rel sånger på spanska DO
3264,7	26.7	2125	RRI, erfarenheten säger Gorontalo. Snackade politik. QSA 3 och hyggligt. Inga andra indoneser gick... JE
3375	26.7	0105	R Clube Dourados spelade Roxette för DO
3392	27.7	0000	R Camargo? Non stop musik, drucknade senare i åskstörningar QSA 2 JE
4010	3.8	0000	Kyrgyz Radio svårläst i åskan 2 CS
4702	1.8	0100	Radio Eco med CD körde det perfekta slut ID:et, fin styrka LES
4775	27.7	0145	R Tarma med bank- och ölreklam DO
4799.8	27.7	0130	Radio Buenas Nuevas med indianspråk. 3 CB
4815	3.8	0230	Radio El Buen Pastor gick att lirka fram på SPR4:an trots brassen 2 CS
4826	3.8	0040	Radio Sicuani 3 CS
4845	27.7	0205	Radio K'ekchi med info om gudstjänster på lokalt språk. 3 CB
4850	26.7	2340	CRTV Yaoundé med hälsningar på franska. 3 CB
4890	26.7	0255	Radio Chota med musik av gruppen Valentino DO
4890,16	27.7	23.25	Radio Chota, Q2, trängde fram med huaynos och en massa TC bland all åska. /HeP
4890.17	27.7	0134	Radio Chota med info om en Feria del Ganadero. 2 CB
4905	18.7	0305	R La Oroya med reklam för Coca Cola DO
4905	2.8	2305	R Anhanguera med god styrka 3 CS
4905	2.8	0330	R La Oroya 3 CS
4925,9	27.7	0010	Radio San Mig prat, printer (?) m m störde illa QSA 3 (några andra bolivianer också, men inte alla t ex Eco San Borja och de andra vanliga utanför bandet) JE
4996	3.8	0050	Radio Andina under tonen 2-3 CS
5020	26.7	0250	Ecos del Atrato med program från Caracol DO
5055	27.7	0140	R Dif Caceres pratad om en festival DO
5523.1	27.7	0229	Radio Sudamérica slutade vid denna tid. 2 CB
5890	27.7	0055	HRMI R Mi med ID och se nonstop LA musik DO
5890	27.7	0037	Radio Misiones Internacionales med bibelläsning ur Gamla testamentet. 2-3 CB (Tack till TBV för tipset!)
6115	26.7	2330	Radio Union med religiöst. Bra och utan colombian. QSA 3 JE
6115	3.8	0100	Radio Union enormt starkt. 3-+4 CS
6135	30.7	0130	R Santa Cruz med reklam för en öl som heter Isenbeck DO
6458	2.8	2350	AFRTS 3 CS
6520	1.8	0200	Radio Paucartambo bröt sändningen mitt i en Roxette låt, bara västelänskt sista kvarten denna kväll, dagen efter mkt speciell andinsk musik 2+ LES
6521	26.7	0205	R Paucartambo läste upp lokala meddelanden DO
6674	1.8	0300	Radio Super Nueva Huancabamba, nu kör de hela anropet nästan varje gång emellan skivorna, annat var det första gången jag hörde dem, då 6675. Samma station? När det gäller hörbarhet är likheten med Satelite 6725 påfallande LES
6679	26.7	0140	R Super Nova med en livekoncert DO
7000	24.7	1955	Voice of Sudan med prat och musik på arabiska DO

Stationsnyheter:

ARGENTINA

"FM Shalom 107.1," Mendoza, audible on 4880.6v all night or from before 0800 on 7 of the 31 mornings in May, and also heard one evening on 4881.0v. Continuous sermons and evangelical music side-by-side, ads for evangelical bookstores in the vicinity of Mendoza (Emilio Pedro Povrzenic, Rosario, May Latinoamerica DX via Radio Nuevo Mundo, report translated and interpreted by Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 998) My guess is that this was actually third harmonic of 1627 or so (gh) [Glenn Hauser, Hard Core DX]

15820, 25/7, 22.23, Two programs in Spanish, one on LSB and one on USB. Both suddenly off at 2232 UTC. Argentina? (Veldhuis) The frequency is the feeder used by Argentine Military Forces (USB and LSB mode, and sometime simultaneous channels), who take the signal from different AM and FM Argentine Station and retransmit the signal to Argentine bases in the Antarctic and South Atlantic Islands, 15820 KHz is used during day time and 5400 KHz at night. [Nicolas Eramo via Hard Core DX]

9955 KHz, Radio Pasteur, the first free student radiostation of Argentina, transmits your programmes via WRMI-Radio Miami International every Friday at 0130-0200 UTC Time (the Thursdays in the nights, in the Americas), on the frequency of 9955 KHz. Radio Pasteur invites to send your letters and reception reports. Please send 2 IRC's to: Radio Pasteur / Claudio Morales, Casilla 1852 Correo Central, 1000 Buenos Aires, Argentina. ["Claudio Morales" morales.arg@sicoar.com via Hard Core DX]

BOLIVIA

Today I received a very nice QSL letter+postcard from Radio A.N.D.E.S. Uyuni, Bolivia, heard on 4.777.77 Khz, It took about 8 weeks, I enclosed no return postage, but I enclosed a copy CD of The Buena Vista Social Club-Presents "Ibrahim Ferrer". v/s was Erwin Freddy Mamani, Reportero Radio Anos. 73! [Ruud Vos, Utrecht, Holland. Via Hard Core DX]

UNID Bolivian, Just hrd 4515,5 SS talk and s/off with Bolivian anthem at 23.25. Any idea? Rocco Cotroneo and Andrea Lawendel from Northern Italy [via Hard Core DX]

ECUADOR

Today I received after 16 years finally a QSL letter from Radio Popular de Independiente-Cuenca-Ecuador-4800 Khz. Over the years I did send many follow ups without any result, a few months ago the dutch embassy has helped me to QSL, for them it was also not easy, but I was lucky to get the QSL. So this is really a very hard to QSL station. v/s was Manena E de Villavicencio, Director-Gerente. [Ruud Vos via Hard Core DX]

Re Ruud Vos's QSL on Radio Popular Independiente, 4800 kHz, in Ecuador ... A very rare QSL, indeed. I picked up QSLs there for several DXers in a 1985 visit and I can't recall seeing any reports of QSLs for them since. I visited them again in 1997. The station is really very disorganized and not particularly profitable. Apparently it was a more prominent station many years ago when the founder was alive. It was also one of the only stations in Cuenca in the early days.

The current manager (who signed Ruud's QSL) is the founder's widow. She is a very nice person and was very cordial during both of my visits. However, she doesn't seem to have much business sense and her health has been poor in recent years. There were several children in the family, but they all live elsewhere now, mainly in the USA. The station's audience is the lowest classes (hence the name Radio Popular, or the people's radio). That limits revenue from advertisements, since advertisers aren't as interested in reaching an audience with little money.

I also had a good talk with two announcers during my 1997 visit. I got the impression that Radio Popular served as sort of a training ground. It didn't pay well, even in the low-paying field of radio announcing, so the announcers were mostly young people trying to get a start. Apparently no one stayed around very long.

The shortwave transmitter has been off the air for some years. It has a bad tube and replacement would cost several thousand dollars. Considering the station's financial picture, it is unlikely the station will ever return to shortwave.

People at some other radio stations in Cuenca said they assume Radio Popular will either close or be sold when the widow dies, since the children are unlikely to keep it open. The most valuable asset of the station is the MW frequency. The equipment is all very old. Even the MW frequency is not worth all that much since there is a glut of radio stations in the Cuenca area and most attention is now given to FM. [Don Moore, mooredxer@yahoo.com via Hard Core DX]

PERU

4534.18 - Radio Horizonte, 1038-1045 Noted a man talking before an audience. Speech seemed to be religious. Every few moments the audience would raise their voices in approval. Signal was fair. (Bolland, July 24, 1999) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

4575.4 - Radio Amistad 1015-1050 JUL.4, Mx folk non stop. "Esta es Radio Amistad rumbo al 200 a traves de los 4575 onda corta a nivel nacional..." " estan en la sintonia de amistad que tenemos buena musica, buena programacion en el dia de hoy para saludar siempre a nuestros amigos que estan en la sintonia ya de los 4575 de la onda corta.." This station was reported by DXer peruvian Alfredo Canote in last june but another frequency, also the male announcer say they have frequency in MW 1350Khz. (RODRIGUEZ , Colombia) [via TFW = "The Four Winds on line" published by Giovanni Serra, Hard Core DX]

4580.00 - Radio Uno, 1042-1050 Noted a man in religious Spanish chanting. This definitely a religious broadcast. Signal was fair. (Bolland, July 24 1999) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

4606.6 Radio Ayaviri 2358-0045 JUL 2. Into the program: Informativo La Voz de Melgar. Local news and political comments. TC: las 7 de la noche con 7 minutos en el informativo La Voz de Melgar de Radio Ayaviri..." Many ments to Ayaviri and Puno Id at the 0030 " Esta usted enm sinotnia de Radio Ayaviri La Voz de Melgar que transmite desde Ayaviri, Puno, Peru...rumbo hacia el nuevo milenio..." (RODRIGUEZ , Colombia) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

4747.24 - Radio Huanta Dos Mil, 1030-1045 Noted typical music with comments from a man between tunes. Signal was poor and noise high. (Bolland, July 24, 1999) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

4886.6 - R.V.C. Radio Virgen Del Carmen 1110-1120 JUL.1 Mx folk and after s/on " Desde Huancavelica, llevando informacion, educacion, cultura y entretenimiento...transmite RVC Radio Virgen del Carmen, 4865 Kcs la onda corta, 1560 Kcs de la amplitud modulada..RVC voz y sentimiento de Huancavelica..." (RODRIGUEZ , Colombia) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

4914.5 - Radio Cora, Lima, 1045 - 1049, July 31, Spanish, News Program by man announcer, time checks and ID " faltan once minutos para las seis de la manana en Radio Cora del Peru en Lima", 34333, (Eramo, Argentina) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

5385.8 - Radio Huarmaca 0250-0310 JUL 2. Huayno music with messages. At the 0308 s/off " Esta es la senal que ya indica tarea cumplida y adescansar se ha dicho efectivamente amigos de la ciudad y el ccampo, hasta aqui esta llegando por hoy la programacion de Radio Huarmaca a la esepra que nuestros espacios ofrecidos hayan sido delk verdadero agrado de la familia Huarmaquina, Piurana y nacional. Radio Huarmaca onda corta amplitud modulada, siempre primera les desea a traves de su señor gerente Profesor Simon Zavaleta Perez un feliz y reparador descanso...." (RODRIGUEZ , Colombia) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

5699.87 - Radio Frecuencia San Ignacio, 0140-0201*, pgm with peruvian andean cumbian. 0144 ads, at 0158 s/off announcements by lady announcer including name 'Frecuencia San Ignacio' & frequency of transmissions, at 0159 Nat-Ant and 0201 s/off. SINPO: 25442. (GIB, Coronel Vidal -Argentina), [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

6479.8 - Radio Altura, Huarmaca, 0403 - 0410, July 31, Spanish, Musical Program (Peruvian Folklore and huayno), time check and ID "once de la noche con ocho minutos en Radio Altura de Huarmaca", 24222, (Eramo, Argentina) [via TFW, Hard Core DX]

TUNISIA

After years of unsuccessful attempts I finally received a detailed QSL Card from Radio Tunisienne (963 kHz) after 127 days for 2IRC via the following address:

Le Chef de Service du Controle de la Réception de l'Office National de la Télédiffusion, O.N.T. Cité Ennassim I - Bourjel - BP 399 / 1080, Tunis. Tel. 801 177, Fax: 781 927, e mail: Ont.@ati.tn, V/s Abdesselem Slim. [enzio.denia@teleline.es via Hard Core DX]

VENEZUELA

4939.5, R. Amazonas, Puerto Ayacucho, heard on 10 of the 31 mornings in May from 0900v, four days from 0930, and one day from 1000. During April there were two Venezuelans audible instead of just this one as Mr. Johnson reported in Cumbre DX quoted by gh on Radio Enlace May 7. The other was Ecos del Torbes, which was audible only in the daytime until April 19, and at night until April 21 (Emilio Pedro Povrzenic, Rosario, Argentina, May Latinoamerica DX via Radio Nuevo Mundo, translated by Glenn Hauser) [Glenn Hauser, Hard Core DX]

Övriga radionyheter:

NRD525 or IC-R75?? (rec.radio.shortwave)

I have both and think the 525, especially with KIWA filters is a better bet even though it is preDSP. Depending on listening preferences, either is a very good radio. McBear "McAllister Bryant" <bryantm1@us.ibm.com>

Transceiver for shortwave listenings?? (rec.radio.shortwave)

Doug, You pose an interesting question, one that I pondered myself. I've been a Ham operator for 40+ years. For the last nine years I had a Yaesu FT-767 transceiver. I listened much more than I transmitted so I got to know the receiver very well. Three years ago I acquired an Icom R-71A shortwave receiver. I put it through it's paces and compared it side by side with the Yaesu, the Yaesu won time and time again on the same frequency, and the same antenna, and switching back and forth between the two. The bottom line is this, the transceivers have more capability than a standalone receiver. The Icom-746 is a very complex piece of gear, maybe too complex, everything is in software, many buttons are multifunction and switch by the number of times depressed, and how long, etc. The new price is about \$1,600 plus a 12 volt power supply. A used FT-767GX can be had for about \$750 to \$900 or so. The only thing is you have to be careful who you buy from.

I currently have a Yaesu FT-1000MP and like it very much. I think Yaesu radios have the best receivers, the Icom's tend to be hissy. Please feel free to ask me any questions you might have. Best regards, John Winward, k3aot@eclipse.net

ICOM IC-R8500 and IC-R75 (rec.radio.shortwave)

I've been messing around these few days with the ICOM IC-R8500 and IC-R75 with a Timewave PK-232 DSP TNC and Timewave DSP-599zx filter and I've noted a few things about the radios that other people who own these radio might want to know.

The R8500 has a much better audio range for voice reception without distortion than the R75. Note that I have the DSP card in the R75. However, when it comes to recv. CW, RTTY and WeFax the R75 blows even a IC706II out of the water! Yep...better than the IC-706II. At this point I should also mention that both the R8500 and R75 have a 500 HZ CW / RTTY filter installed (THE R75 also has 1.9 SSB filter installed).

When using the R8500 with the DSP-599zx filter I can control the audio bandwidth to a better degree to kill noise and nearby signals. Using the DSP filter with the R75 and it's installed DSP filter doesn't help much because the R75's DSP cuts the audio range already to narrow so when the audio gets to the external DSP filter it's like straining noodles twice. Little or no difference with both DSPs in-line. So it looks like the R8500 is better than the R75 for AM / SSB voice work....not in all cases. If I find a very low signal (Voice or CW/ RTTY) the R75 pulls it out 50% clearer than the R8500. If the signal is strong the R8500 wins in AM/ SSB quality. This maybe to the fact that the NB in the R75 is adjustable and it's hard to adjust for all signal situations. If the NB is adjusted too narrow AM/SSB will be more distorted but CW/RTTY will sound better. Things that make you go Hmmmmm.

The R8500 is, in my view, too wide to say it's great on all bands. The R8500 is better than your regular scanner or flat desktop general coverage radio. Both the R8500 and R75 are lacking in stock filters for the price. The R75 can be setup easily for a wide range or HF/ CW/SSB conditions. The R75 allowed me to change my RTTY tone and shift quickly as well as the CW tones that went into the external TNC.

I found these radios great to use together when listening to spit HF voice channels and VHF / HF satellite links. The ability to use the radios CI-V transceive controls help a lot in signal chasing on HF. I use the radios in this way by having the R8500 find a base digital signal in bad conditions then switching over to the R75 to fine tune then decode.

Now, all I have to do is keep tuned to mainland China to see if they want to launch a missile at my antenna!

James SysOp: World Data Exchange - Taiwan, WEB BBS: <http://wins.twde.com.tw>

ICOM IC R-75 (rec.radio.shortwave)

OK, to all that have the R75, what should I get first, the DSP option, or a better filter (or two)? Does the DSP noise reduction work well (what sort of quantifiable results should I expect)? [jeff.adams@gscxyz.gte.com (Jeff Adams)]

I think you should get a 455 kHz filter first, then a 9 MHz filter and last the DSP option. The DSP option noise reduction is good for CW but not very effective on speech. The ANF is rather good! [Gert Nilsson gert.nilsson@mbox305.swipnet.se]

I would hope that the Icom DSP option would track and eliminate heterodynes in the AM mode. In other words, act as an automatic notch filter. If it does, that's a pretty handy tool in am or ssb mode. (not very handy in cw mode tho, hehe) ["Brian Denley" bdenley@erols.com]

Yes, it tracks the heterodynes and eliminates them pretty good. It functions in the AM mode too. It works very fast, the notch is very sharp, but not so deep as the 9 MHz notch in the R71! The noise reduction is adjustable and is most effective on very weak signals. [Gert Nilsson gert.nilsson@mbox305.swipnet.se]

Brian, Yes it does, even though the manual says the ANF part of the DSP option does not work in AM mode. It is not always as effective as in SSB but it definitely cuts off the het whistles. The DSP option is mandatory, I use the noise reduction probably at least 50% of the time. I disagree totally - the NR is very good on speech, and often turns an unintelligible sound into an understandable signal. In particular, the NR is adjustable from level 1 through 15, and I find on 4 or 5 it works wonders. I would have been unhappy with my R-75 without the DSP, with it, I love the set! [pak05862@pixie.co.za (Roger Pitot)]