

SHORTWAVE BULLETIN

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Den senaste tiden har det varit extremt varmt här nere i Skåne med temperatur kring 30 gr stretchet. Konditionerna ser också ut att ha torkat in. Det är knappt ens så att brassarna kan få S-metern att rör sig. För några veckor sedan var det betydligt trevligare med bra styrkor på de lägre banden.

Den nya Excalibur har nu levererats till de första som beställt. Emellertid är det ännu ingen som skrivit samman någon test. Nils Schiffhauer har lagt ut en del screencasts på sin hemsida för egen bedömning. Bjarne Mjelde är på gång med sina tester. Läs mer längre fram. Till nästa nummer börjar det säkert komma kommentarer från andra håll.

Plockade själv hem demofilen från Winradios hemsida, men tycker nog att Perseus är ett föredöme när det gäller layouten av alla kontroller.

Keep on

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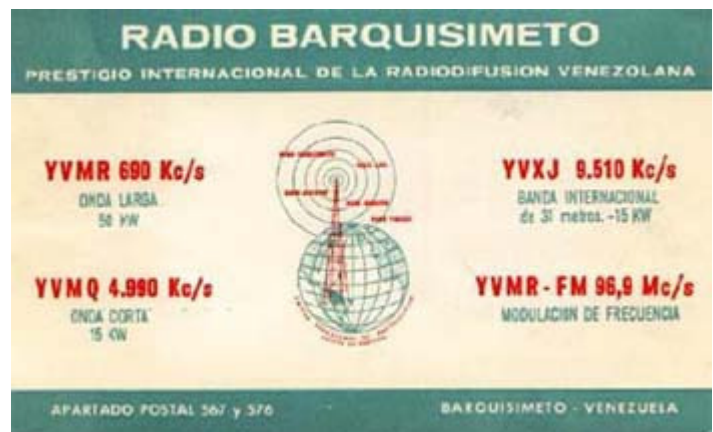
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QSL, kommentarer, mm.

I brist på bidrag till detta nummer så kan ni ju drömma er tillbaka till den tiden när den här stationen gick fantastiskt fint på morgonkvisten på 60 mb tillsammans med Ecos del Torbes och några till. Numera har brassarna till stor del övertagit den rollen. Fast det händer då och då att Bolivia och några andra länder kan gå igenom någorlunda hyggligt.



Perseus and Excalibur side by side

Those interested in a somewhat carefully made comparison of both receivers of typical and very different DX situations (regarding signal strength, modulation, interference ...) may drop an ear to some screencasts at:

<http://bit.ly/ccA8v7>

All examples were made with each receiver tuned to it's best reception, using the audio output by Roland's Cakewalk loudspeaker, and Sennheiser's HD465 headphones, both providing a very rich audio. Unlike just MP3s, screencasts provide a full documentation of the reception, including the positions of all controls.

With You Tube, upload, hosting and download is made very easy, and without 3rd party software, which one has to govern to get the best results of. (Take AGC OFF for Perseus, e.g.) Directing the screencasts maybe a rather time-consuming job, even with some experience in both listening and screencast software (here: BB FlashBack pro, look at: <http://www.bbsoftware.co.uk/bbflashback/home.aspx>). To be quite honest, I needed the better part of more than three days to make those Excalibur/Perseus screencasts. In return, people get a ready-to-use and quick overlook within minutes on the general (!) performance of both receivers - by looking virtually over ones shoulder.

There are some traps with this kind of comparison, as we had discussed in the past. They can be reduced even further, but can't be avoided to a specific degree, what viewers should always take into account.

Time permitting, I will compare the trio of SDR-IP, Excalibur, and Perseus by this method in the future.

My personal finding will be published - alas, in German - in the magazine "Radio Kurier" of

ADDX. It's Germany's biggest monthly for SWLs, and should appear in their August's issue. The July issue carries MEDAV's/SSB's LAN receiver as cover story.
(73 Nils Schiffhauer, DK8OK via Perseus YG)

WINRADIO EXCALIBUR TESTS AGAINST PERSEUS:

Ken Baird in Scotland has published some personal comments regarding the new Excalibur on his website http://www.ayrshirehistory.eu/tadx/transatlantic_logs_july_2010.html.
For those interested take a look and find out more of his findings.

Also Bjarne Mjelde are about to publish his first impressions of his newly acquired Excalibur. Look out on his blog <http://arcticdx.blogspot.com/> for his opinions which will be there in a few days..

Loggen

(UTC)

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| 3325 | 1.7 | 2213 | RRI Palangkaraya big ID and stronger than ever before, nice mx later. TN |
| 3329,57 | 2.7 | 2315 | Ondas del Huallaga with mx 2-3 TN |
| 3345,962 | 6.7 | 2050 | RRI Ternate (tent) quite weak in the statitc. TN |
| 3380 | 5.7 | 2150 | BBC Sydafrika med "There are no programme on this channel at present. Details on our services are at bbcworldservice.com " 3-4 TN |
| 3396 | 5.7 | 2155 | ZBC with nice music. 2-3 TN |
| 3995 | 1.7 | 2215 | RRI Kendari much weaker than 3325 TN |
| 4826.5 | | | Radio Sicuani , Sicuani, Cusco presumed reactivation after about six months off the air. Had this fading in 2245/2300 for a couple and local evenings, and this morning 1000. Had some mention of Peru cities but no full ID, which is not unusual for them. [Wilkner] |
| 4826,55 | 3.7 | 2300 | Tent R Sicuani reactivated? Perseus recording for 10 minutes at 2255-2305 didn't show any ID despite several checks. Also said to use ID as "La Voz de Canchis" TN ----- <i>Kan det vara Radio Sicuani? Södra Peru har gått bra på sista tiden; i Norge t o m på mellannåg (TVI, 1440). Det är ju annars normalt att stationer söder om den magnetiska ekvatorn (som löper i en kurvig linje från ca Lima till Belém i Brasilien) hörs vid denna tid på året, då det är "vinter" söder om ekvatorn. /Henrik Klemetz</i> ----- <i>Jag hade Radio Sicuani i morse (4.7) vid 02utc på 4826,557 - clip kan avnjutas(?) på http://www.delegum.se/dx/Ljud/Sicuani.mp3 mvh/Torolf Johnsson</i> |
| 4824.46 | 2.7 | 2305 | LV del la Selva with ID and then mx. 2-3 TN |
| 4857,46 | 2.7 | 2255 | R La Hora with mx & ann. 2-3 TN |
| 4955 | 2.7 | 2310 | R Cultural Amauta with clear ID 3 TN |
| 5921,26 | 16.6 | 0042 | Bethel Radio med id "Frecuencia Celestial". Skrivfel av frekvensen i förra numret AHK |
| 7506.27 | 29.6 | 0245 | WRNO Worldwide med non-stop musik. Musiken fortsatte över heltimmen varför man inte följer sitt annonserade schema. 3 CB |
| 9526 | 29.6 | 1740 | La Voz de Indonesia med El Mundo Musical. 2 CB |
| 11905 | 29.6 | 1530 | Sri Lanka Bc Corp med vad måste vara en specialsändning. Redan efter någon minuts lyssning hördes anrop på engelska för Radio Ceylon; programmet i övrigt var nog på hindi. Jag tänkte att man nog mindes gamla goda tider. 1547 gick man över till engelska, IDade som Radio Ceylon och sände sedan helt aktuella nyheter på engelska. Efter en popsång återvände man till hindi. Kl 1557 slog Rádio Portugal på sin sändare och blockerade allt från Sri Lanka. Faktiskt riktigt trevligt att återuppleva Radio Ceylon på detta sätt. 4 CB |
| 11905 | 1.7 | 1547 | Radio Sri Lanka med ett kortare inslag på engelska. Denna gång kallade man sig "Radio Sri Lanka". 3 CB |

27 June Florida

3329,544 **Ondas del Huallaga**, Huánuco 0945 to 1010 with usual yl and music, struggling signal. 23 June [Wilkner]
4790 **Radio Visión** Chiclayo seems on irregular schedule [Wilkner]
4835.5 **Radio Marañon** Jaen 1110 to 1117, om and yl with musica de Peru, Killed by WCCR slop 1117. 27 June [Wilkner]
5039.25 **Radio Libertad**, Junin 1105 to 1115, musica de Peru, with Havana silent, good signal lock on R8. 27 June [Wilkner]
DISREGARD my 5954.14, ELCOR, "Radio Republica" logs in previous bulletin, sent by mistake. rlcw

Stationsnyheter

ANGOLA 7216.7 Radio Nacional de Angola, 2007, presume this is the open carrier that's throwing a strong het against 7215. No carrier noted on 4950v kHz. 2 July. (David Sharp, NSW Australia: via DXLD)

AUSTRALIA. Hi folks, Further to my announcement to Glenn Hauser's DX Listening Digest Yahoo Group last month re Radio Symban returning to SW: I can confirm that **Radio Symban is now back on air 2368.5 kHz** from its third SW transmitter site in Sydney's SW (Leppington). Noting the station on air today June 26, 2010 at 0125 UT. I'm unsure of the exact date this station came to air, but it is within the last 6 or 7 days. Also the SW antenna was removed from the former Marrickville SW site between May 10th & June 15th, 2010. Regards (Ian Baxter, June 27, Shortwavesites Yahoo Group via DXLD)

CENTRAL AFRICAN REP. 7220 R.Centrafrique, Bimbo, 1022-1315, 03 Jul'10, Vernacular, folk music, ..., French, news at 1300 when their signal was already v. poor; 25432. They were noted on at 1915. (Carlos Gonçalves - POR)

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. 5035.6, Radio ICDI, 1731, presumed, French, talk by a man, clear mentions of "Centrafricaine." Under heavy CODAR QRM. 26 June. (David Sharp, NSW Australia: dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1520, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. 7220, Radio Centrafrique, 1828, French, really pleased to hear this one, and at a good level (averaging S9+30dB), with talk by a man (news or similar) with several references to "Bangui." First time heard, after several days of trying. 5035 (presumed R. ICDI) also in, but threshold. 6 July (David Sharp, NSW Australia: dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1520, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

David, Nice logs. Radio ICDI is supposed to be on 6030 and new 3390, with R. Centrafrique on 5035v and 7220. If you hear both 5 and 7 at same time, can you tell if they are //? 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Hi Glenn (and everyone), Cannot say whether 7220 and 5035v were in //. While 7220 was absolutely booming-in, 5035v was not much more than a carrier. I know there seems to be some confusion as to whether ICDI is on 5035 or if it's a second frequency for Radio Centrafrique. My initial question is, "Why have both transmitters on at the same time?" Because 7220 is obviously getting great coverage (though perhaps the higher freq skips over part of the country). It'll take a very good opening to get audio here on 5035v but will try again over the weekend and see if it's //. 73s (David Sharp, NSW Australia, ibid.)

David, My guess would be that R. Centrafrique got their old main transmitter running again on 7220; and meanwhile are also using the 1 kW HCJB had to give them, because it's there. And of course might fill in some skipzone gap (Glenn, ibid.)

Hi Glenn, It's quite possible R. Centrafrique is using 5035v "because it's there." And in all probability, I'd have to agree, it's them. If I can't confirm the //, hopefully someone closer-in can hear both (David Sharp, ibid.)

BOLIVIA 4796 R.Lipez, Uyuni, 2208-2222, 05 Jul'10, Castilian, Indian songs; 24431, adj.uty. QRM. Better on 06 Jul at 2207. (Carlos Gonçalves - POR)

GUINEA-Conakry 4900 Familia FM, Timbi Madina, 2140-2220, 05 Jul'10, Vernacular, Afr. songs, French for newscast at 2210 as usual; 35432. (Carlos Gonçalves - POR)

GUINEA-Conakry 7125 R.Guinée, Sonfonya, 2146-2212, 05 Jul'10, French & Vernacular, obituary, Afr. songs, ID in French at 2201 followed by the Journal de la Nation; 55444. (Carlos Gonçalves - POR)

PERU: UnID. 4850 30/6 2310UTC, **UnID**, Huanta, S, quechua, advs venda biblia, 0015 px La Hora de la Esperanza, S-2, QRN 2 (Rogildo F. Aragão via HCDX)

PERU: Here's a recent report from DXer Rogildo Fontenelle Aragao in Bolivia via "Radioescutas" YG. There is a logging dated Jun 30 as UNID and also a link to a pdf with the facsimile of the Government official resolution (RESOLUCIÓN VICEMINISTERIAL Nº 276-2010-MTC/03) issued in Lima on Mar 29, 2010, which autorizes Señor Abilio Ephrain González Ludeña to operate on **4850** with call OAW-5E (*Radiodifusión Sonora en Oct.*) and 1 KW nominal power. Studio address: Jr. Miguel Untiveros Nº 431, distrito y provincia de Huanta. Departamento de Ayacucho. Transmitter site: Km. 03. carretera a Huancayo, distrito y provincia de Huanta, departamento de Ayacucho. Coordinates Long W : 74° 14'46" Lat S : 12° 56'00" http://www.asesorempresarial.com/web/adjuntos-sumilla/2010-04-19_VCSBMCC.pdf (Horacio Nigro via DXPlorer)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA 5960 R. Fly. E-mail QSL from Jobby Paiva rcvd on 6/30 for 6/26 reception. Report included a 7 min recording referred to in the e-mail and a screen shot of the Perseus spectrum during reception at the same time period on 6/30. I won't be holding my breath on the QSL card, Hi! These days, an e-mail QSL is pretty much all you can count on. E-mail rcvd read as follows (answers the location question but not the station's power for which I will query Jobby):

Dear Bruce,

Greetings from Tabubil in the Star Mountains of the Western Province of Papua New Guinea.

Thank you for your email which I received yesterday. I must apologise as I didn't get around to replying most of my emails yesterday but am going through them today.

I confirm that you were listening to Radio Fly. We are an FM radio station but only expanded into shortwave about a month ago. 5960 kHz & 3915 kHz.

What you were listening to was the service announcements by Beri Pius. She is a journalist who does mainly news but tries a bit of broadcasting or Disc Jockeying as well. She usually does the Friday & Saturday nights as we are also short staffed. Thanks for your detailed report which I will forward to our technical personnel.

Unfortunately we haven't designed a QSL card yet. Once we do, we will send you one.

Until then, I thank you for your report.

Regards

Jobby Paiva

Radio Fly

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"Be The Miracle, Don't Wait For It To Happen"

If you use Jobby's gmail.com address, you will have to respond to his e-mail filter service request before the e-mail is forwarded, but that is quick and easy (and safe).

(Bruce Churchill via Cumbre DX)

PERU 4988v KHz 09/Jul 0055UTC, **UnID** (Manantial?), Huancavelica?,S, px religioso,advs (Huancayo) S-3 (Rogildo F. Aragão via HCDX)

SIKKIM 4837.22 AIR-Gangtok, 1828, on late with World Cup coverage. Parallel to several other AIR outlets. Presume this is the site (drifting off nominal). 2 July. (David Sharp, NSW Australia: via DXLD)

Övriga radionyheter

Sveriges radio stänger ned utlandssändningarna på kort- och mellanvåg för att spara pengar

Grattis till alla SIDA-anställda ute på Tanzanias stäpper och i Honduras regnskogar

Grattis till alla segelbåtsfarare

Grattis till alla små yrkesfiskare

Grattis till alla lastbilschaffisar på Europatraderna

Grattis till alla "nysvenskar" på besök i hembyarna i mellanöstern.

Ni får nu tillgång till dessa kanaler via webben:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• P1• P2• P3• P4 Blekinge• P4 Dalarna• P4 Gotland• P4 Gävleborg• P4 Göteborg• P4 Halland• P4 Jämtland• P4 Jönköping• P4 Kalmar• P4 Kristianstad• P4 Kronoberg• P4 Malmöhus• P4 Norrbotten | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MINORITET & SPRÅK• Sameradion• Sisuradio• Suomeksi• Meän raatio• SR International• Shqip (albanska)• العربية (arabiska)• Assyrian/Aramaic (assyrisk/syrianska)• Bosanski/ Hrvatski/ Srpski (bosniska/kroatiska/ serbiska)• English (engelska)• Jiddisch• Kurmancî كوردی (kurdiska)• ىفارس (persiska) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FLER KANALER• Din gata• Metropol• P2 Musik• P3 Rockster• P3 Star• P3 Street• P3 Svea• Radioapans knattekanal• SR Atlas• SR C• SR Klassiskt• SR Melodifest• SR Minnen• SR Världen |
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- P4 Radiosporten
 - P4 Sjuhärad
 - P4 Skaraborg
 - P4 Stockholm
 - P4 Sörmland
 - P4 Uppland
 - P4 Värmland
 - P4 Väst
 - P4 Västerbotten
 - P4 Västernorrland
 - P4 Västmanland
 - P4 Örebro
 - P4 Östergötland
 - Nyheter
 - Sport
 - Barn
- Romani
 - Русский (ryska)
 - Somali (somaliska)
 - Deutsch (tyska)

Oooops, har ni inte internetförbindelse där ute?
"Åhum, tänkte inte på det..."

Lars "LBM" Bergström via [NORDX]

Effektfull sammanställning av vad många upplever som en riktig tragedi. De höga herrarna i Stockholmtycks tro att Sverige (och resten av världen) upphör 1 km utanför den egna stadsgränsen. /Thomas