

# SHORTWAVE BULLETIN

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Julen står för dörren. Men inte är det något vinterväder ännu. Idag 7 gr varmt och grönt som om det vore tidig vår. Inte ser det ut att bli nån förändring till mer vinterlikt väder heller.

På radiofronten hoppas jag att ni får lite tid att kolla banden under ledigheten. Tyvärr är kondsen inte så lysande.

En trevlig händelse inträffade häromdagen då den gamla tro-tjänaren ELWA reaktiverats på 4760. Dave Valko fick en riktig överraskning när han upptäckte denna station igen.

Även på MV har det varit dåligt. LA och NA har lyst med sin frånvaro. Däremot har det gått en del Asien på em och kväll. Bl a den 19 var spännande då några Filippiner gick igenom här nere. Tror bara jag hört en enda tidigare och det var mycket länge sedan, faktiskt på den tiden de låg på andra frekvenser än europeerna. Vissa frekvenser är väldigt spännande sedan de blivit fria från starka Europa stationer.

**Keep on ....**

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## SWB-info

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## QSL, kommentarer, mm.



**GOD JUL OCH GOTT NYTT ÅR TILL ER ALLA**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF YOU**

Tack för alla trevliga jul- och nyårs-hälsningar som trillat ner i mailboxen. Vi får hoppas konditionerna rättar till sig nu när de flesta får en lång och välförtjänt ledighet.

Thanks a lot for all contributions during this year and hope to hear from you all also during 2014.

### Så raskt över till bidragen:

**Anders Hultqvist:** Redan för ett par år sedan fanns det "coming soon" beträffande <http://www.rfspace.com/RFSPACE/NetSDR-X2.html>

Men det var tydligen omgärdat med diverse svårigheter. Nu är det dock på gång. Och jag tänker införskaffa:

- Option X2-04, (Dual Coherent RX option for NetSDR + REFLOCK).
- Includes 10 MHz reference input.
- Includes full second NetSDR receiver with filter bank

Jag fick följande mailsvar från Pieter på RFspace:

*Hi Anders,*

*Thanks for the email. I just got the X2 boards for the first factory build a few days ago. I will not be able to build them until January next year since I am going on vacation until the 31st. The X2 board has a -04 included that offers the same phase noise as the -01 when locked to 10 Mhz. There is no way of installing the -01 since the X2 board uses the whole plugin space. The -04 is split and then feeds both of the receivers. I will give you an update when I get it built.*

*Best Regards and have a great end of year. /Pieter*

**Börge Eriksson** önskar Dig Thomas och alla SWB-are en GOD JUL OCH ETT GOTT NYTT ÅR!! Mellan den 19 och 29 december befinner jag mig hos min dotter utanför Skövde. Tänk att vi blivit så gamla så vi måste åka tåg. Våra barn förbjöd mig och frugan att ta bilen till Skövde. "Vi skall inte ha våra föräldrar ute och slänga i jultrafiken" var deras motivation. Hörde just av polare Lennart i Borlänge att han hade samma problem. De fick heller inte ta bilen till sin son på Öland under jul. Aldern börjar ta ut sin rätt.



**Anker Petersen:** I got the task to make a comparative comparison between the new WRTH 2014 and the Shortwave Frequency Guide from Klingenfuss 2014, so here are some of my loggings done in that connection. All made on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire in Skovlunde.

**John Ekwall:** Inte mycket att rapportera från Blekinge. KV har varit rätt dålig så inget speciellt. MV har gått de senaste dygnen, senast i morse 0745 UTC Radio Revolución på 1190. Äntligen en grön jul och slippa halka omkring på is. Mildvädret verkar stå sig året ut och en bra bit in på det nya året enligt amerikanska prognoser. Önskar dig en riktig God Jul och ett Gott Nytt med familjen!

**Christer Brunström:** Efter tio dagar i solen på Rivieran är vi åter hemma i Halmstad. Vid hemkomsten hittade jag ett QSL från **Radio Waves International (via Issoudun) på 6140 kHz**. De svarade med QSL-brev och diverse trycksaker. RWI firade sitt 30-årsjubileum 2013. Stationen är specialiserad på countrymusik.

**Arne Nilsson:** Time again for a small contribution to SWB! X-mas is now very near and it's going to be very exciting to hear/see how cx will be during the end-of-the-year holidays. On Dec 25 2011 I logged, and reported, R Symban and cx like that would be most welcome! Since the previous issue of SWB I logged R Apintie and that was a nice one. I've heard it before but this time it was stronger and although the language was hard to identify, the webstream did it. The recent storms that have been raging Southern and Mid Sweden have had the decency to stay away from my parts of the world, so all antennas have survived and power cuts also have been absent. Only problem I had up here was an incident with very slippery and icy roads: Zero degrees and rain made the road to my DX QTH extremely exciting! A very Merry X-mas and Happy New year to all members! And a heartfelt Thank You to TN for all his work for all of us!

**Dan Olsson:** Hej allesammans och God Jul och Gott Nytt År. Sitter här söndag morgon 05.30 SNT och skriver. Hade tänkt skriva igår kväll men kroppen sa stopp. Njurstenarna gjorde så det blev att gå och lägga redan 20.00 efter ha tagit två doser smärtstillande. En del tips skulle jag ha skickat för två veckor sedan men hamnade då på lördagkvällen på akuten i Lund efter helt plötsligt fått akut njurstenensanfall. Jag har besökt akuten en gång till med njursten. För de som inte drabbats av denna åkomma kan jag säga att det gör så ont så jag inte ens önskar min värste fiende det. Skulle någon vara sugen att lyssna så har MKVK lyssnarnatt 28-29/12 i Saxtorp. Alla välkomna!

## Log

(UTC)

2325	Dec18	1935	VL8T, ABC Tennant Creek, NT English talk	35333 // 2485 (35232)	AP-DNK
3250	Dec18	1945	PBS, Pyongyang	Korean ann, songs and orchestra music	35333 AP-DNK
3255	Dec18	-2000*	BBC, via Meyerton	English talk about Winkey music in World Business Report, ID, ann, time signal and off	24222 // 9915 (35333) AP-DNK
3260	Dec19	1145	R Madang, PNG, came through with audio again. Later, after 1230z, local mx and better signal.	AN	
3344,86	Dec12	1500	RRI Ternate (tent as no ID heard) weak signal. Also noted at 2000 the same day.	TN	
3344,87	Dec19	1400	RRI Ternate, Maluku, INS, became audible when NBC Northern weakened. Best 1440z. Local mx, quite nice actually.	AN	
3345	Dec20	1430	UNID found two stations causing a het; lower frequency must have been RRI Ternate (recently being heard about 3344.85) and higher one on about 3345.0 probably NBC Northern, but unable to raise any audio; both below threshold level. <b>This conforms to Wolfy's reported observations today at 1214 in dxldyg</b> (Ron Howard, Calif., USA)		
3345,03	Dec19	1145	NBC Northern, PNG, finally heard this year. Best around 1245z. Their language is hopeless... AN.		
3364,98	Dec16	1928	R Milne Bay with quite good signal this day.	TN	
3365	Dec20	1528	NBC Milne Bay seems to regularly be on the air 24 hours a day now. Often heard past 1530. Dec 20 at 1528 played Auld Lang Syne; poor. (Ron Howard, Calif., USA)		
3365	Dec19	1145	R Milne Bay is the most common PNG here. But not at all audible every time as it was this day.	AN	
3480	Dec11	-2302*	Voice of the People, via Goyang, South Korea, Korean talk, orchestra music and ann, 2300 official proclamation and martial music by orchestra	34333 heard // 3912 (34333), 4450 (22332), 6518 (43333) and 6600 (43333), probably all jammed by No. Korea	AP-DNK
3905	Dec16	1932	R New Ireland. Got a nice recording with quite good strength this day.	TN	
3905	Dec20	-1404*	R. New Ireland, 1240-1404*. Xmas songs; mostly non-stop reading of a very long list made up of school names, numbers, positions, and persons name ("Central New Ireland Primary School," "201, assistant teacher [name given]," "102, vacant," "202, head master [name given]," etc.); 1302-1305 break for NBC "News Roundup" in English then continued on		

with the list; off with usual children singing anthem; well above normal reception; ham QRM (Ron Howard, Calif., USA)  
*Nice recording you enclosed from their sign off! /TN*

3912 Dec18 2005 Voice of the People, via Goyang, South Korea Korean talk 45333 // 3480 (43343) and 4450 (34333) AP-DNK

3985 Dec18 2015 R Echo of Hope, via Gyeonggi-do, South Korea Korean discussion - jammed 44333 R 700, Germany, was Off the air AP-DNK

4055 Dec13 0920 R Verdad, GTM, with best ever signal at this time! Song by children's choir. AN

4319U Dec19 1755 AFRTS, Diego Garcia English ann, pop songs, e-mail address, news, jingles, to ships in the Indian Ocean 35333 AP-DNK

4675 Dec20 1455 UNID found two below threshold level open carriers; the strongest on 4675.0 and weaker 4740.0. First time I have noticed them. AIR Leh (Kashmir) is now reported missing from 4660. Moved to where? (Ron Howard, Calif., USA)

4750 Dec18 1540 Bangladesh Betar HS. In English with "News Commentary" about the country observing "International Migrants Day" today and telling about the number of Bangladesh workers outside the country; QRM (Ron Howard, Calif., USA)

4750,00 Dec16 -1705\* Bangladesh Betar, Khairpur Bengali radiodrama with flute music, talk by man and woman, 1649 Bengali songs, 1659 ID, news, abrupt s/off 34232 CWQRM AP-DNK

4750 Nov30 1645 R BanglaDesh Betar with typical Music from BanglaDesh. DO

4755 Dec13 0000 R Imaculada Conceicao, with REL and good signal strength. Not heard every evening. AN

4755,5 Dec21 1958 Noch eine Überraschung knapp neben ELWA gefunden: The Cross zum Sendebeginn um 1958 UT auf 4755,50 kHz. Das Signal war sehr schwach, vielleicht wird es ja noch besser. Auf 5019,7 war heute auch ein stabiler Träger zu sehen, aber leider kein Audio zu hören. 73 Christoph Ratzler via A-DX

4755,53 Dec21 \*1958- Tent. The Cross carrier with sign on, too weak for audio yet. TN

4760 Dec21 0705 **ELWA** Surprised to find a signal here with M preaching with the mic positioned in the back of the room at 0704 t/in. At 0705 preaching ended and the studio M came on in Afro-accented English and mentioned "beautiful celebration", and then at 0708:40 was shocked to hear ELWA IDs clearly and somewhat slowly!! Then went into Hi-life music. 0714 M returned w/more ments of "celebrate" and "celebration", "broadcast". 0718 into choral singing w/M tlk voice-over saying "hallelujah", and M pgm host came on at 0721. 0726-0731 "Oh Holy Night" by W. 0732:05 ID. Ment of Liberia during tlk by M at 0741. Was gradually and slowly fading but really took a nosedive between 0741-0751. Was still barely able to hear Afro singing at 0752. Barely visible in the display at 0800. Very surprised and glad to see them back. e-QSL already received from Moses Nyantee who says they are testing 5:30-10:00 AM and 5:00-10:00 PM Liberia time. Will start regular broadcasts on 1 January. /Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, USA *Very nice catch! /TN*

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Hi Dave, thank you for the good news. When AIR Port Blair signed off at 1730 on 4760.02 kHz, another carrier appeared and stabilized right on frequency. I'll be checking if that is ELWA. Yes, now at 1820 clear choral singing. Merry Christmas everybody!  
 /73, Mauno Ritola

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Ein Weihnachtswunder, auf 4760 spielt ELWA wieder. Religiöse Musik um 1900 UT. Hätte ich nicht für möglich gehalten diese legendäre Station nochmals auf Kurzwelle zu hören. Sendeschluß von ELWA heute abend um 2205 UT.  
 /73 Christoph Ratzler via A-DX

4774,94 Dec17 2245 R Tarma, Tarma Spanish ann, pop songs 35243 AP-DNK

4780 30.11 1900 R Djibouti heard with music Q 4. DO

4780,02 Dec17 1930 R Djibouti, Dorale Afar talk and songs from Horn of Africa 35233. Heard on recheck 2100-2244\* with late recitations from the Qur'an. 4 (broadcast on SW by a mistake ?) AP-DNK

4781,66 Dec11 2315 R Oriental, Tena (very tentative) weak carrier, no audio AP-DNK

4800,00 Dec16 \*2025- Voice of China (CNR-1), Golmud Chinese with new B-13 schedule: 2025-1805, ex 1955-1735. Heard with a few seconds test at 2007 with music and ann, but then from\*2025: IS, 4 ID's: "Zhongyang Renmin Guangbo Diantai", piano music, 2028 2 ID's and "The East is Red" march, 2030 talk by man and woman 45333 AP-DNK

4810,00 Dec16 -1930\* Armenian Public R, Noratus, Gavar, Arabic; Armenian hymns by choir, closing ann 1928 25232 AP-DNK

4835,00 Dec19 1820 VL8A, ABC Alice Springs, NT English interview about the influence of Mandela 35333 AP-DNK

4880,00 Dec19 1845 SW Radio Africa, via Meyerton English talk about jobless people in Zimbabwe, jingle in Shona 45344 AP-DNK

4905 Dec20 1608 Xizang PBS-Lhasa. "Holy Tibet" in progress (1600-1700) in English; news about Tibet; a

			lot of Tibetan music; 1620 the Tibet weather; 1625 interesting long tourism segment about Nyingchi Prefecture where the Yarlung Tsangpo Grand Canyon is located. 4905 the best of // 4920, 6110, 6200 and 7255. Nice website - <a href="http://www.vtibet.com/en/radio/">http://www.vtibet.com/en/radio/</a> with audio streaming (Ron Howard, Calif., USA)
4940	Nov30	1500	Voice of the Strait with programme in English. Heard with Q2 in LSB. DO
4960,00	Dec19	1835	Voice of Russia, via Dushanbe English talk about the Middle East, ID AP-DNK
4975,97	Dec16	1925	UBC R, Kampala Vernacular ann, songs by choir 25232 AP-DNK
4985,5	Dec13	0000	R Voz Christiana, PRU, with a clear ID for a change, after that they played "Jingle bells" in SS. AN
4989,992	Dec14	0815	R Apintie, SUR, also one of those who came in all time high here. REL and chaire. Sermon led by an OM. I was not at all sure that this really was Apintie, but the language certainly as not Asian. A check with streaming audio from their website confirmed that it really was Apintie. Unfortunately, it drowned in QRM at 0827. Better signal and less QRM on Dec21 0440z. AN
4990,00	Dec11	0025	AIR Itanagar vernacular, Indian song, 0030 talk, 0037 orchestra music, deep fades 25222 AP-DNK
5010,290	Dec15	1820	Tent R Madagasikara, MDG, played really nice mx. Local language. I will have to put Tent on this one, since I did not get an ID. But I have no doubt it really was them. Best audio on LSB. They drifted some and ended up around 5010,2 at s/off at 1901z. AN
5010,93	Dec19	1825	R Nasionaly Malagasy, Ambohidrano Malagasy talk 25122 AP-DNK
5011,31	Dec14	1856	R Nasionaly Malagasy drifting around. On Dec 17 noted on 5010,25. TN
5035,03	Nov28	2242	R. Educação Rural, Coari AM, 2242-2254, 28/11, retransmissão da R. Aparecida, propaganda religiosa; 34331, atraso no áudio relativo à R. Aparecida. Carlos Goncalves -- ----- [?? Not separate stations??? R. Aparecida is listed with its own transmitter on 5035 in Aparecida, but as irregular in WRTH 2013. This could be quite confusing if the same frequency bears both it and a station relaying it. He says there was an audio delay compared to R. Aparecida, meaning on the same frequency or compared to some other frequency?? -- - gh] ----- Glenn, Yes, I caught both with the same progr., meaning R.Educação Rural was actually relaying R.Aparecida, with the former station being, what, less than a second behind Aparecida also on 5035. I don't recall having caught this Amazon station with non-catholic stuff, so a relay like that makes sense. Due to the location of R.Educ. Rural, it's best received with the 200 m long, 270° Beverage whereas eastern Brazilians are always via the 300 m long, 225° Beverage. Braz. states like AC Acre, AM Amazônia, RO Rondônia, RR Roraima are best via the 270° azimuth. Thanks to that, I can sometimes separate the signal of two stns sharing the same fq. A typical ex. concerns 4915. In my view, theWRTH should correct a "few" things, among which the irregularity of Aparecida on 5035. Yes, they may be off on occasions, or very poorly heard some days, but I'd not say they're irregular on 60 m. A few others are a lot more erratic. As far as modulation is concerned, their 5035 fq tx was usually better than those used for 9630v and 11855v. Their other fq, 6135, was usually good, but gets too much QRM for quite some time, and on top of that, we have a Bolivian on approx. the same channel.( Carlos Goncalves via DXLD)
5050,00	Dec11	2320	R Taiwan Int., Kouhu, Chinese talk, 32332, jammed by Voice of China //4800, AP-DNK
5860	Nov30	1530	Voice of Jingling with talk in Chinese and soft music in English. DO
5925,00	Dec17	1405	Voice of Zhonghua (CNR-5), Beijing, Amoy discussion with musical interludes 34343 AP-DNK
5930,00	Dec15	1525	R Rossii, Monchegorsk, Russian talk, 1533 martial music, ann, ID 45344 / 6160, AP-DNK
5950	Dec13	1347	Sng in English, so RNZI is finally back on proper frequency, after using A-13's 6170 every Friday in the B-13 season until now, vacant. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)
5952.5	Dec1	0000	R Pio XII played music and talk about problem with Scholes. DO
5970,00	Dec11	2335	Gannan PBS, Tianshui, Gansu, Chinese talk by man and woman (news ?) 35333, AP-DNK
6020	Dec13	1130	Most likely Vietnam also with football. At 1133 a tentative AIR Shimla starts up on 6020,005. TN
6020	Dec13	1545	R Free Asia //9495 disturbed by a weaker CRI in Mandarin. Dec 14 sign off at 1600. TN
6135	Dec19	1426	Yemen R. fading in around 1426 on 12/6 and 12/19 and gradually improving until the VOA transmitter check at 1445-1447 - after this Yemen is not hrd leading me to believe they may be signing off at 1445 instead of listed 1500. This has been the pattern w/ Yemen for past two weeks or so. Programming is either local music or Koran reading w/ periodic short anmts - language unknown and hard for me to discern exactly what type of music. Not typical Arabic pop mx, so maybe Koran reading. On 12/19 sig lvl got to S2+ before the VOA transmitter turned on and there was a discernable xmtr hum on the freq. This hum was not audible after the VOA xmtr finished its tuning test at 1447. Tnx to Ron Howard for the heads up on this one! (Bruce Churchill via DXplorer)

6140	Dec20	*1330-	Shiokaze/Sea Breeze. What happened here? Did the N. Korean jammers read my recent comments in dxldyg about 6140 being free of jamming from *1330 to 1430*? Friday, Dec 20, during a quick check at 1333, found jamming of Shiokaze. Bigger surprise was to find was NOT in English; normally is. Heard with emergency sirens wailing and IDs. Former 5910 finally clear of jamming (Ron Howard, Calif., USA)
6160,00	Dec15	1510	R Rossii, Arkhangelsk Russian talk // 5930 32332 sideband QRM AP-DNK
6165,00	Dec16	1410	Voice of Shenzhou (CNR-6), Beijing Amoy ann, mostly Chinese pop music 35343. From *1500 drowned by CRI 6165 in Farsi AP-DNK
6240	Dec1	0950	R Casanova played Red River Valley. DO
6250	Dec1	0830	UNID station in spanish with religious talk. Anyone who have any idea? DO
6295	Nov30	1605	R BZN played a lot of Music from the Group BZN. DO
6296	Dec1	0920	Voice of the Netherlands played music by DJ Jurgen. DO
6325	Dec1	0750	Etherfreak with oldies like Everly Brothers, Doris Day and Frans Dujits. DO
6325	Dec8	1640	R Groenteboetje played music from the countryside in The Netherlands. DO
6535	Dec8	1500	Radio XXL played countrymusic but also played ABBA and Fletwwod Mac. DO
7120,01	Dec19	-1900*	R Hargeisa, Hargeisa Somali talk with people shouting, songs from Horn of Africa, 1832 talk (news ?), 1850 orchestra music, closing ann and National Song, weak modulation 45232 HAM QRM from 1855 AP-DNK
7395	Dec14	0343	Neat African (?) music with ululations, 0345 talk, good signal S9+20. It's NHK's Swahili service at 0315-0400, 320 degrees from MADAGASCAR and also USward (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)
7545	Dec12	0057	Poor signal with calm talk in unknown language, intonation vaguely resembling Brazilian. HFCC has the answer? 0030-0130, TWR, multi-lingual, 250 kW, 116 degrees from ``Simferopol, Ukraine``, which is total BS left over from the Soviet era when this ``site`` was registered instead of something really back in Russia, and wouldn't be caught dead relaying religion. Aoki still shows as UKRaine, but doesn't hazard a guess as to what city, but anyhow it's TWR India, currently in Bhojpuri, but Sundays in Hindi, Saturdays in Nepali. Many other TWR India broadcasts are overtly via UZBEKISTAN, so why not this one? Let's get a third opinion from EiBi: site is /XUU, which means Unknown! What's so secret here? A fourth opinion from WRTH 2013, when in B-12 this transmission was on 11965, via: Irkutsk, Russia. What's in WRTH 2014? Just published but my copy hasn't arrived yet (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)
9526-	Dec17	1454	VOI makes its presence felt by 4+kHz against 9530 China radio war, and <1 kHz het against 9525, I suppose CRI Kashgar, already on air prior to 1500 English. Some music too, not sure from which transmitter (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)
			----- Hi Glenn, Have checked VOI for several Tuesdays (Dec 3 & 10) at 1000, looking to confirm "Exotic Indonesia" with "100.9 Paradise FM, RRI Denpasar." Before 1000 had fair-good reception of VOI (totally in the clear), but that ended at 1000 when NR1 started jamming VOA on 9530. The adjacent splatter rendered VOI unusable. Most unfortunate, as VOI signal was so good before 1000. (Ron Howard, San Francisco via DXLD)
9575	Dec11	0530	Médi 1, Marocko åter igång med nyheter på franska. Finns nu på sin riktiga frekvens efter att tidigare ha funnits på 9579 kHz - förmodligen har sändaren genomgått en översyn. 3 CB
9615,00	Dec19	-1357*	Voice of Minorities, Beijing Mongolian ann, songs, abrupt s/off 35333 AP-DNK
9615,00	Dec19	*1400-	KNLS, Anchorage Long fanfare, Chinese talk 25212 AP-DNK
9630	Dec17	-1705*	Voice of Minorities, Lingshi Kazakh talk by man and woman, 1704 closing ann in Chinese 45333 // 6180 (31421), 7445 (32332) and 9645 (35232) AP-DNK
9730,00	Dec13	1100	Myanmar Radio ladies football. Quite strong and undisturbed signal. The same match also visible on MRTV. It sounded like Myanmar vs. Vietnam. TN
9730,00	Dec17	-1130*	Myanmar Radio. In vernacular with sports coverage from the SEA Games being held in Myanmar; background sounds of the crowds at the event; usual format of indigenous theme music before going off; at times almost fair. Dec 9 noted randomly from 0911 to 1130*. As others have already reported, they are no longer switching between off frequency and exact frequency tx here (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
			----- <i>Nice recording you enclosed with the mail! /TN</i>
9820	Dec11	1000	Beibu Bay Radio Heard with good signal over two hours. Had advertisement before 10.00. DO
9900	Dec20	*1500-	*1459:55-, carrier on as predicted by Ivo Ivanov, VOA Tinang westward replacing 9760 as of today for reasons unknown, but with big problems: carrier keeps cutting off and on; after 1501 including bits of modulation; 1502 on a bit longer before off & on & off; 1503 still on & off; 1504 seems to stay on, no, off again. So much for getting any news from VOA. 1508 now with bits of English Learning modulation, struggling to stay on with only poor signal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)



11735	Dec13	2030	ZBC fair with flutter, nice Ungujan music and should have stuck with it, but by 2057 recheck considerably weaker, mixing music and talk, cut off at 2100:00* sharp. This frequency is erratic, never know whether it will be on or not (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)
11769,9	Dec21	2058	Voice of Nigeria (most likely Arabic), weak/fair both via own receiver and A.R.I. Verona via globaltuners. Checked this one tonight, thanks to hint by Wolfgang Büschel, confirmed as Voice of Nigeria by Interval signal at sign-off. Most likely arabic, though then with very heavy accent at times. There used to be VON Hausa (and possibly other WaF languages on 9689.9 2000-2127 not long ago, but this transmission now ends earlier. This signal caught at 2050, but off at 2058 recheck. Another regular offset transmission from VON seems to be 7254.9 0728-0758, too weak to identify language though, in this part of the world. (73, Thorsten Hallmann, Münster, Germany, via A-DX)
17790	Dec10	1400	WRMI med religiöst till Afrika. 2 CB

## Station news

**CUBA** [and non]. 6165, Dec 9 at 0212, not a word from Arnie on `DXers Unlimited` about frequency changes, including the strange appearance of Radio Rebelde Sunday morning on 5050 instead of 5025 --- just about propagation, including VHF research by Pat, WA5IYX, our old friend from San Antonio, and some ham contest.

Recheck circa 0220 finds Rebelde on neither 5025 nor 5050, but RHC on 5040. WWRB is not on 5050 either now. 5025, Dec 9 at 1335, as I awaken late, JBA signal here from something, presumably Rebelde reactivated, and nothing on 5050. Propagation is degraded today, but it's close to post sunrise fadeout time anyway. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)

Hi, it seems that Cuba has only one TX available for 5025 + 5040kHz at the moment. On Dec 9 there was RHC in EE on 5040kHz until 0700 (UTC), then retuned to 5025kHz and continued with Radio Rebelde.

Today Dec 10 the same schedule: RHC in EE on 5040kHz until 0705, then returned to 5025kHz, the EE modulation remains until 0707, then the modulation changes seamlessly into Rebelde.

(Karel Honzik, CZE via DXLD)

**INDONESIA. 3344.85, RRI Ternate** (presumed), 0931-1018, Dec 11. Thanks to Atsunori Ishida (Japan) for confirming their reactivation on Dec 8. Today was my first day noticing a station off frequency, which is RRI Ternate's frequency when last heard; reception hovering around threshold level, with only some audio. Overall propagation seemed rather poor today, as SIBC on 6080 from 0801 to 0900 was unusable (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)

Thanks. Also here in Finland weak music at 1430 on measured 3344.865v kHz, drifting slightly. Only on LSB due to strong carrier on 3346 kHz with 800 Hz tone. (Mauno Ritola)

**MALAYSIA. 5964.706 RTM Klasik Nasional FM** in Malay, but hit by co-channel CRI Korean-Chinese language lesson, both signals at S=9+20dB level, 1145 UT on Dec 20.

6049.985 Much fluttery signal of RTM Asyik FM R Tujuh in tentatively Malay. Deep fades on S=8-9 signals heard in Queensland AUS remote unit. Nice light music program heard. (Wolfgang Bueschel via DXPlorer)

**MYANMAR 9730v** Thanks to a tip of Noel Green in Blackpool England: This 50 kW outlet from Rangoon is often odd in frequency some 846 Hertz higher side. But in past weeks Noel Green and Y.T. observed that Rangoon outlet few times on EVEN 9730.0 frequency instead. Although the signal is only strong on Victor's remote site on Ceylon island {and I guess general in SoAS and SoEaAS too}, instead is very weak level on other remote places of the worldwide remote network. Signal peaks occurred sometime even here in central Europe in winter months Nov, Dec, and Jan only.

Today Dec 12 at 1020 {I guess on air 1150? } UT used Mauno's unit in northern Finland, narrowed the rx bandwidth to 2.5 kHz on 9730 to 9732.5 kHz.

Adjacent QRM today was an UTE noise data signal on 9724.6 to 9727.3 and more accompanied UTE splash sidebands on 9719.8 to 9732v kHz.

On Upper side noted CNR1 jamming on 9735 kHz against RTI CBSD Paochung Cantonese service at 1000-1030 UT ONLY !, the followed RTI Hakka service 1030-1100 UT WAS NOT been jammed by China mainland so far.

re ITU call for Myanmar (former Burma, member since 15 Sept 1937) Chaotic on ITU Geneve list now again short call BRM - or formerly MYA, or previously MMR !)

[http://www.itu.int/online/mm/scripts/mm.list? search=1& map=n& search\\_countryid=42& country=BRM](http://www.itu.int/online/mm/scripts/mm.list? search=1& map=n& search_countryid=42& country=BRM)

(vy73 de wolfy df5sx via DXLD)

**NEW ZEALAND. 5950**, Dec 9 at 1339, this being Monday, RNZI is on correct frequency during `Mailbox`, ending Kevin Hand contribution on utility DXing, with some hum on his recording; next time, in a biweek for the last show of the year, John Durham. 1340 over to Mike Bird in Australia with IPS propagation info. 1343 letters starting with a report from Steven Handler in Buffalo Grove, IL who reported slight QRM on 5950 (but none here).

Closing, and theme finishes at 1346.6, on to other music. Hard to believe show was only 16.6 minutes long, so probably started two or three minutes early before 1330 as usual --- No, as I write the rest of this report, I find the file is only 16:55 long, as I listen to Hand's first part via

[http://podcast.radionz.co.nz/mailbox/mailbox-20131209-2030-mailbox\\_for\\_9\\_december\\_2013-048.mp3](http://podcast.radionz.co.nz/mailbox/mailbox-20131209-2030-mailbox_for_9_december_2013-048.mp3)

The current archive goes back to 29 April 2013, with some of them duplicated and/or out of order:

<http://www.radionz.co.nz/international/programmes/mailbox>

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA.** Some observations around PNG Papua New Guinea, both PNG country, as well as Indonesian Papua province.

3905.000 NBC New Ireland at 1205 UT on Dec 20, S=8 in Queensland.

3325.000 NBC Kieta, Bougainville, weak signal under threshold.

3345 Two peaks visible at 1214 UT. Stronger 3345.031 kHz, lower signal level on 3344.866 kHz. Registered are here RRI Ternate-INS and NBC Northern, V.of Oro, Popondetta-PNG, and accompanied by 70 Hertz deep BUZZ audio interference tone.

3364.983 Nice signal of R Milne Bay, Alotau-PNG, at 1220 UT at S=+9db signal heard in Queensland.

4869.922 At 1228 UT Dec 20, S=8 fair signal, nice sweet lady singer, and piano music in between, tentatively RRI Wamena in Papua province in INS. Aoki show 300 watt power entry only !

(Wolfgang Bueschel via DXPlorer)

**SOLOMON ISLANDS. 6080, SIBC.** Thanks very much to Sei-ichi Hasegawa (Japan) for providing some interesting insight into the long standing plans of SIBC to broadcast on 6080 kHz., with the expert assistance from Japanese engineers. Back in 2009, SIBC understood from Radio Australia that they would release 6080 to SIBC when they started to broadcast, but until then RA would continue to use 6080. It has taken SIBC longer than anticipated, but this year they are finally on the air on 6080. Unfortunately the SIBC signal is currently blocked from 0900 to 1200 UT by the strong RA signal.

Thanks to a suggestion from Glenn Hauser, I sent an email to Gary Baxter (RA/ABC) inquiring what RA was doing about this unfortunate situation. His response:

**"Thank you for your interest in the use of 6080 kHz. We are working with SIBC to resolve this."**

**Very good news indeed!** Hope it can be quickly worked out so we can hear SIBC free of RA. Has been informative to learn just how long SIBC has been working with Japanese engineers to make this new frequency happen!

(Ron Howard, San Francisco, CA, USA, Dec 18)

**SOLOMON ISLANDS** 5019.871 kHz Footprint taken this morning at 0810 UT on Dec 20.

5020 Solomon Islands BC from SLM SIBC Honiara 0810 UT just above threshold, and at 1159 UT Dec 20 much stronger of S=8 signal downunder in Queensland AUS. Played the National hymn anthem at 11.59:48 UTC signing off, midst on TX cut-off.

Marked in Aoki Nagoya list as: 2000-1200 UT daily English 10kW non-dir Honiara SLM SIBC b13 // 6080 kHz

Strange entry in HFCC list (seemingly local hrs timing ? didn't UT+11 hrs transform), website give no DST so far for SLM 5020 0800-2000 UT 51,56 HON 10kW non-dir 400 daily 271013-300314 EngBis SLM SIB RNZ

KLINGENFUSS list 0500-1201 UT, 1655-2000 UT.

Eibi list 1900-1200 UT.

DSWCI in DBS mentions 5019.9 kHz 10kW SLM SIBC, Honiara 1900-1200v En/Tok Pisin, slogan: "Radio Happy Isles"

WRTH 2014 has to mention two time segment: April-Sept 0700-0000, 1800-2200 UT.

SLM heard in March 2013 on exact 5019.880, but listened today Dec 20 on 5019.871 kHz. Also heard at 1940 UT with just S=5 signal on threshold level, same footprint. (Wolfgang Bueschel via DXPlorer)

## CHASQUI DX PFA – DICIEMBRE

CQ, CQ, CQ...Aquí Pedro F. Arrunátegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano, todas las horas son UTC, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

**3310.00 BOLIVIA, R. Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, 17/12 1010-1040 33333** px en quechua saludos y mxf ID "Mosoj Chasqui"

**3329.54 PERÚ, R. Ondas del Huallaga, Huánuco, 9/12 1105-1135 33333+** px aquí en Huánuco, Rosaura y su estrellas desde Bolivia llega con los poderes de la viuda negra (curanderismo) ID "Ondas del Huallaga, informativa, deportiva" advs Frente único regional de Huánuco convoca a la reunión sobre el corte de fluido eléctrico en la ciudad. Campaña contra la violencia familia por el gobierno regional de Huánuco, Agro Falcón lo mejor para su campo.

- 4716.70 **BOLIVIA, R. Yatun Ayllu, Santiago Quijaro, 10/12 2340-0015 33333** mx hablan sobre las mujeres recitan una poesía, regular QRN imposible continuar... mx latina apenas audible mejor la escucho en LSB, a las 0015 se perdió la señal **NOTA:** no dieron ID
- 4747.05 **PERÚ, R. Huanta 2000, Huari, 5/12 2335-0005 33333** mxf huayno px en quechua advs ID "Radio Huanta 2000" advs en español Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito señor de Mayahay, Universidad Nacional de Huancavelica ID "Radio Huanta 2000" en Radio Huanta 2000 invita el alcalde de Huanta
- 4789.87 **PERÚ, R. Visión, Chiclayo, 4/12 2320-2345 33333** mx pasillos ID "Radio Visión una grande para todos" mx ID "Radio Visión.. desde la ciudad de Chiclayo, Perú" ID "Transmite Radio Visión, una radio para todo el mundo"
- 4835.00 **PERÚ, R. Ondas del Sur Oriente; Quillabamba, 2/12 1125-1200 33333** mxf px en quechua y español advs mxf Natacha ID "Por Radio de Sur Oriente " advs Consejo de la Convención" Ejercito del Perú preséntate al servicio en el cuartel... Este nuestro compromiso Conservar la Naturaleza, Proyecto Camisea.
- 4865.00 **BRASIL, R. Verde Florestas, Acre, 12/12 1055-1125 33333** mx ID "Radio Verde Floresta" news, (escuchar grabación)



4865.00 Verde Florestas PFA 2013 Dic 12.mp3

- 4985.50 **PERÚ, R. Voz Cristiana, Chilca, 13/12 1115-1150 33333** ID "Radio Voz Cristiana le acompaña a salvarse" mx ID "Radio Voz Cristiana te bendiga en tu siembra" con tu ayuda Radio Voz Cristiana está saliendo adelante en esta gran siembra" px Siembra Misionera por las ondas de Radio Voz Cristiana
- 5024.92 **PERÚ, R. Quillabamba, Quillabamba, 15/12 1050-1120 44444** px sobre la aparición de la Virgen de Guadalupe mx ID "Por Radio Quillabamba" ID "Invitamos a nuestros amigos a escucharnos en 1210 OM que ya estamos saliendo al aire..." **NOTA: Ellos están anunciando que ya están saliendo en los 1210kHz. (Escuchar grabación).**



5024.92 Quillabamba PFA 2013 Dic 15.mp3

- 5909.92 **COLOMBIA, Alcaraván Radio, Puerto Lleras, 4/12 0540-0610 33333** mx ID "Alcaraván radio" 200 mx ID "5910 Alcaraván Radio". mx.
- 5939.86 **BRASIL, R. Voz Misionera, Cambioú, SC, 11/12 2340-0005 44444** px religioso ID "Radio Voz Misionera" px Noticiero Ultima Hora news mx religiosa ID "En La frecuencia de 5940kHz, 2kW de potencia y 8 trasmisores instalados en.. Santa Catalina, Brasil, Radio Voz Cristiana Brasil.." (escuchar grabación)



5939.86 Voz Misionera PFA 2013 Dic 11.mp3

- 5952.50 **BOLIVIA, R. Pio XII, Siglo XX, 4/12 2350-0015 44444** news en quechua px Servicio satelital de noticias para Bolivia advs Denuncia la violencia familiar, no te quedes callada, denúncialo nosotros te apoyaremos. ID " Por Radio Pio XII"
- 5980.00 **PERÚ, R. Chasqui, Cusco, 9/12 2310-2340 44444++** px El Camino de la Vida (religioso) mx ID "Radio Chaski, en la región Cusco en cadena con la red radio Integridad" mx
- 6025.00 **BOLIVIA, R. Patria Nueva, La Paz, 11/12 0010-0040 44444+** px sobre la seguridad ciudadana discurso del nuevo Comandante de Policía ID "Patria Nueva Radio, la voz del estado boliviano"



6025.00 Patria Nueva PFA 2013 Dic 11.mp3

- 6050.00 **ECUADOR, R. HCJB, Quito; 3/12 1058-1135 44444+** mx f px A través de la biblia ID "HCJB" px Camino hacia la Cumbre 2014 news.
- 6134.80 **BOLIVIA, R. San Cruz, Santa Cruz, 3/12 2220-2250 44444** news sobre la Cumbre Iberoamericana de Justicia ID "Desde Radio Santa Cruz" px Bolivia en Contacto La radio está pensada en la gente y para la gente"
- 6173.90 **PERÚ, R. Tawantinsuyo, Cusco, 9/12 1140-1215 44444+** advs ID "En Radio Tawantinsuyo..." news varias en español y quechua advs Escuelas de Oratoria el Ateneo px Informativo Tupac Amaru.

**NOTA:** A todos los compañeros y amigos diexista les deseo tengan una **FELIZ NAVIDAD y un PROSPERO AÑO NUEVO 2014**, en unión de la familia.

La recepción la he efectuado del 28/11 al 17/12 en compañía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop

Muchos 128's

/PFA



## Other radio news

### PANI Going Live Soon, Region: Asia

In many parts of Pakistan, Afghanistan, and northern India (PANI), the people have never seen a church or met a Christian. And especially in Pakistan and Afghanistan, Christianity has become synonymous in the people's minds with America's political agenda. Although deeply religious and earnest seekers after God, the people in this region have no understanding at all of who Jesus Christ is and what it means to follow Him.

But millions of people in this region, particularly in rural areas, already naturally turn to their radios for news, instruction, and entertainment. It is a simple, non-threatening way to introduce people to a biblical worldview and to the Prince of Peace. And radio waves can reach into whole villages where human missionaries would be not only unwelcome, but actually in danger.

Although TWR (Trans World Radio) has been broadcasting in the region on shortwave radio for some time now, PANI's new AM transmitter will expand our impact dramatically with 500,000 watts of power—10 times the wattage of the most powerful AM transmitters permitted in the United States. With the new transmitter, TWR will also expand the time we can spend broadcasting the Good News in the region's six key languages: Punjabi, Pashto, Sindhi, Urdu, Farsi, and Dari.

The PANI project has been in motion since 2011, and thanks to the generous support of many caring friends like you, it's time to begin broadcasting. But we need your help to "go LIVE" with the gospel! Will you help us raise the \$200,000 needed to fund programming across the PANI region over the next year, giving more than 200 million people the opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel?

For most of PANI's listening area, these broadcasts could be the only opportunity countless men, women, and children ever have to hear the message of salvation and new life. So please, give generously today.

<http://www.twr.org/pani>

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Mauno Ritola first heard this new transmitter on 1466,995 on Dec 16 at 1100 UTC /TN

### Special transmissions 2014 from SDXF, The Swedish DX Federation

Här kommer information om sändningarna från SDXF nästa år:

#### SDXF på kort- och mellansvåg

Under de tre första månaderna 2014 kommer SDXF att sända tre specialprogram över Radio Merkurs i Lettland på 1485 kHz och över Hamburger Lokalradio på kortsvåg 7265 kHz enligt följande schema:

Radio Merkurs - söndagarna 5 januari, 9 februari och 9 mars kl. 1800-1900 UTC på 1485 kHz

Hamburger Lokalradio - lördagarna 11 januari, 15 februari och 15 mars kl. 1200-1300 på 7265 kHz.

Programmen produceras av Ronny Forslund.

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The Swedish DX Federation will have three broadcasts on mediumwave and shortwave in early 2014 as follows:

Sunday 5 January at 1800-1900 UTC on 1485 kHz (Radio Merkurs, Latvia)

Saturday 11 January at 1200-1300 UTC on 7265 kHz (Hamburger Lokalradio)

Sunday 9 February at 1800-1900 UTC on 1485 kHz (Radio Merkurs)

Saturday 15 February at 1200-1300 UTC on 7265 kHz (Hamburger Lokalradio)

Sunday 9 March at 1800-1900 UTC on 1485 kHz (Radio Merkurs)

Saturday 15 March at 1200-1300 UTC on 7265 kHz (Hamburger Lokalradio)

The programmes will be produced and presented by Ronny Forslund and they will be mainly in Swedish. In addition to DX News and details about the Swedish DX scene there will be lots of nice music.

//Christer Brunström

### New version of WavChopper

I've placed a new version of WavChopper into the Files area. It allows files to begin in one day and end in the next day. It has been tested under XP and Win 7 and all is well so far.

For those who wonder what WavChopper does, it allows you to make a version of a Perseus file that is much shorter and smaller by letting you choose what portion of the Perseus file you wish and discard the rest.

(Chuck Hutton via Perseus\_YG)



## Radions välsignelser

"**Överingenjör E. F. W. Alexanderson** i Radio Corporation of America, har nu lyckats i sina experiment att pr radio sända fotografier, meddelar Svensk-amerikanska nyhetsbyrån, efter Foreign Press Service. Han har nämligen sänt en fotografi den 9,000 engelska mil långa distansen till Warschau och fått den tillbaka till Newyork. Genom den Alexandersonska metoden kunna tidningar erhålla fotografier lika så fort som de erhålla telegram och nyheter. En andra praktisk tillämpning blir att banker sätts i stånd att få namnteckningar verifierade i den händelse de ha skäl misstänka den person som inlämnar en check, påpekar den amerikanska källan, som inte tycks sprudla av fantasi. Ty det sistnämnda hör väl ändå till de mer banala konsekvenserna. För övrigt få vi säga att ju mer vi höra om radio, dess tråkigare te sig framtidsperspektiven.

Namn och Nytt 8 december 1923" (via sidan med samma namn i Dagens Nyheter 8/12 2013)  
(Bo Nensén via NORDX)

## Chinese channel names

**There will be an article** about identifying Chinese stations on DXing.info, but I'm still working on it. Channel names will be there as well. (73, Mika Mäkeläinen via RealDX)

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The problem with Chinese names and other languages from that region spelled in Latin characters, is that they are often written so weird. In the old days a different kind of spelling was used that sounded much more correct at least to my ears. For example why on earth do they write Xinhua when it is spoken more or less just like the French word Chinois. Why is Qinghai written with a Q and pronounced as Ch. What's the difference between X and Sh or between OU and U etc.

A good start is this Youtube video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CUzt5HqqIuo>

And if you don't want to listen to the complete video you must certainly listen to the examples of Huhhot and Urumqi

<http://youtu.be/CUzt5HqqIuo?t=7m7s>

(73, Guido Schotmans via RealDX)

## QSL scanning

**Gents, I recently completed a big project**--scanning my QSLs--and I thought other DXPers might want to know how it went.

It was actually two projects: creating a database of my QSLs, and then scanning them. The database project was pretty straightforward--station name, country, city, when heard, when QSLed, letter/card/other stuff received, etc.; and also the album where the QSL is located. Most of my QSLs are in 21 large albums (11 x 14"), and they were inserted as they were received rather than by country, continent, etc. They are mounted with photo corners so removal for scanning was easy. Most of the data (including dates) was in my "all time" database of stations heard, but the QSL info was not in the format I wanted, hence my wish for a dedicated QSL database..

When the database was finished I was surprised to find that I had 2,515 QSLs, all but 71 SWBC. This is a much higher number than I expected. I counted as one QSL a station's total response to a reception report, i.e. if their reply included a letter of verification, the station's QSL-card, and my prepared card, this was counted as one QSL, not three.

When I did the database I had no plans to do the scanning. I thought it would take much more time than it did, and so at the outset I went slowly, "pacing" myself and hoping I wouldn't burn out. But over time I picked up speed, and in the end a project that I thought would take many months actually took about three (for both the database and the scanning).

From the 2,515 QSLs I dropped 206 duplicates, which brought the number down to 2,309. To this "scannable" group I added some other items that had been received with QSLs, such as pennants; envelopes that were especially good-looking or that added to a QSL's overall presentation in some way; some business cards, station photos, and some postcards (those bearing a personal message from the station, a station seal, etc.). Some of these items were in my country files rather than in the albums, or in some "stacks of stuff" that had never quite made it into the country files; so this required a search through some long-unexamined material. In the end, the grand total of scanned images was 4,910, a number that likely would have scared me off at the outset had I expected it to be that high. Many QSLs have interesting material on both sides, and so have to be scanned twice; and when you add pennants, envelopes, etc., the number of images can go up quickly. I scanned at 150 d.p.i. for good resolution. Special thanks to John Herkimer who was able to seamlessly "mate" the multiple scans that were required for oversize pieces.

Instinctively you might think that scans are a pretty poor substitute for an actual QSL that you can hold in your hands, but, after this project, I have much more respect for the scans. For one thing, they look much brighter and more colorful than the originals, revealing detail that escapes the naked eye. They seem to take on a whole new life. You can "clean up" blemishes on a QSL once it is digitized. And if, as in my case, you could see only one side of the QSL in the album, now you can see both sides.

How you name the files determines the order in which they appear in the directory. I named mine by country and then station, so all the stations from a given country, and from an individual station, are now together. I put clandestine and other "target" stations with their target countries rather than lump them into a separate "clandestine" category.

Because of the large number of scans, I divided them into four more-manageable subdirectories. Later I made another set of directories that grouped a second set of the scans by continent/country/station. By choosing "extra large icons" as the

viewing option in Windows Explorer you can see much-bigger-than-thumbnail images of the QSLs rather than just a list of file names. And the Windows "slideshow" feature, which brings up the images automatically, one or two at a time, is great for viewing QSLs. There are a dozen different slideshow "themes" which mix static views, image "zooms" and varied backgrounds and styles (I like "Travel") to produce a pretty dramatic "show" with just a few clicks. You can select all the QSLs in the directory, or one country or one station, and enjoy them with minimal effort and, of course, without having to handle the albums. Seeing QSLs on screen gets you thinking more about their graphic qualities, and might even make them interesting to some non-DX types. Once the QSLs are digitized there are many display options you can think about. I've backed up all the images onto a thumbdrive, which makes the collection portable in a practical sense. (Insert the thumbdrive into the USB port of your HD TV and watch your QSLs in a big screen slideshow.)

I'm sure I'm not the first who has done this. The scanning is a lot of work, but it adds a whole new dimension to the enjoyment of your QSLs. If you have the time, you will be glad you did it.

( Jerry Berg via DXplorer )

### **Ernst Krenkel – ingen vanlig radioamatör**

**Just nu kan man höra en speciell rysk aktivitet** på alla amatörband och trafikstätt. Man firar 110-årsminnet av Ernst Krenkels födelse. Drygt ett 2+-tal stationer med mycket erfarna operatörer är igång. Hittills har jag 14 loggnoteringar av stationer med signaler som RL110RAEM eller RQ110RAEM. Jag är därmed drygt halvvägs på vägen mot ett diplom, och det finns tid fram till årsskiftet. Signalerna RAEM och UPOL var Krenkels egna signaler under hans forskning och radioverksamhet i polarområdena.

Den som är intresserad av att veta mer om denna märklige man kan googla och hittar då bl.a. en entusiastisk och illustrerad skildring på engelska, skriven av de gamla kända svenska amatörerna SM5ZD och SM5IQ, som båda hade lärt känna Krenkel. Mycket läsvärt.

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Jag måste än en gång varmt rekommendera alla som gillar spännande historier i allmänhet och polaräventyr i synnerhet att gå till [www.alast.se/krenkeng.pdf](http://www.alast.se/krenkeng.pdf) och ladda ner och läsa SM5IQ:s charmfulla berättelse om en mycket ovanlig man. Att Henrik Klemetz, som upplevt en hel del i sitt liv i främmande land skulle gilla historien visste jag på förhand.... Ni andra är välkomna.

(Ullmar Qvick, SM5-1252 via NORDX)

### **RADIORÖSTER SOM FANNS MED LÄNGE....**

**Den brittiske journalisten Alistair Cooke** var i 30-årsåldern, när han flyttade över till USA i slutet av 1930-talet. Hans första American letter sändes 24 mars 1946, och det var planerat att bli 13 avsnitt. Så blev det dock inte: Serien upphörde 58 år senare efter 2869 sändningar i mars 2004. Namnet ändrades till Letter from America, och ingen som lyssnat på BBC kan väl undgått att ha hört det. Programmet blev omåttligt populärt och de 58 åren har väl ingen slagit.

Vi hör här Cooke berätta om hur Hoagy Carmichael kom att skriva Stardust. Hoagy hade 1924 fått en 'kick' och beslutat sig för att bli musiker. 1927 satt han vid midnatt på bänken till sitt universitet och tänkte på en förlorad flickvän och såg upp mot himlen. Plötsligt for han upp, rusade hem och satte sig vid pianot. Så tillkom Stardust – påstås det i alla fall. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio2/soldonsong/songlibrary/indepth/stardust.shtml>

En albansk läkare står också för en mycket lång serie radioprogram. Hamdi Sulçebe var barnläkare och docent. Han jobbade i många år på Sjuksköterskeskolan i Tirana och sen vid universitetets medicinska fakultet. 1939 startade han Barn- och mödravårdsrådgivningen i Tirana och samma år började han en programserie i den året innan tillkomna Radio Tirana under rubriken "Medicinska råd". Detta fortsatte han med utan avbrott fram till 1992, alltså cirka 53 år. Hamdi Sulçebe dog 7 februari 1993. Han fick som vuxen uppleva Zogs kungadöme, italiensk och tysk ockupation, det kommunistiska Albanien och den nya demokratiska regimen. Tyvärr har jag inget prov på hans sändningar, som jag hörde flera gånger över Radio Tirana på 60 m-bandet.

Slutligen vår egen Leif "Smoke Rings" Anderson (1925-1999) som var en mycket särpräglad radoröst på flera sätt. Han hade haft en halssjukdom i ungdomen, vilket hade gjort hans röst hes och mörk, så det lät som om han satt inne i ett rökmoln och blossade.... Han ledde programmet Smoke Rings mellan 1960 och 1999 med totalt 1786 sändningar, den sista tre dagar före hans död.

Jag hade lyssnat på Smoke Rings tidigare under 1999 men inte under hösten. Den 16 november på kvällen gick jag in till min svåger som jag bor granne med. Utan anledning börjar jag prata om Leif Andersson och sa: "När jag hörde honom första gången 1960 trodde jag att han skulle leva högst ett år, så lät han. Men han lever än." Svågern sa att också i hans hemland Kosova hade det funnits en länge aktiv radoröst, men han kunde inte erinra sig namnet. Så gick jag hem och sov. Nästa morgon, en fredag, lyssnar jag på P1. Det pratas om Leif.... Och efter en stund förstår jag: Leif Andersson är död! Han dog föregående kväll, samtidigt som jag talade om honom! Det är ingen överdrift att säga att skinnet knottrade sig på mina armar... Det var kusligt. Jag hade inte hört programmet på ett bra tag, visste inte att han varit sjuk... Varför tänkte jag på honom? Jag tror inte på slump, denna och flera andra händelser har övertygat mig om att det finns en strålning mellan människor, ett slags sjätte sinne, och att Leif i dödsögonblicket strålade in i min hjärna! Galenskaper? Det är upp till dig att avgöra. Jag ringde till hans producent Frans Sjöström i Malmö som var djup bedövd och även orolig för programmets framtid. Han kunde dock i flera år sända programmet Stardust i Sveriges Radio. Och där är vi tillbaka där vi började...

Smoke Rings kan du lyssna på via YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5eoD8bRBLQ8>

(Ullmar Qvick under stjärnhimlen 10 december 2013 via NORDX)

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Edward Starz som mellan åren 1928 - 1970 "drog" Radio Nederlands "Happy Station" programmen var rätt långlivad "radiopratare" han också, liksom hela Sveriges Farbror Sven, Sven Järring ed Barnens Brevlåda och sportreferat.  
( Hälsningar, Torsten "Tosso" Söderlund via NORDX )  
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Ja, Tosso, de båda du nämner är nämnvärda. Men Eddie Startz var igång 1928-1969 =41 år (troligen med avbrott för kriget) och Sven Jerring från 1925 till 1972. Det blev 1785 sändningar med Barnens brevlåda, men "Smoke Rings" med Leif Anderson slog det med en sändning - totalt 1786. Men det finns nog ingen som slår Alistair Cooke.  
(Ullmar Qvick via NORDX)

### Så mycket enklare...

**I en mycket intressant historisk-nostalgisk berättelse** i SWB nämner Björn Fransson att allt blivit så mycket lättare nu inom dx-ingen. Men har det blivit roligare? Det är tveksamt.

Nyss har jag konstaterat att D2EB i Angola INTE hörs hos mig på 10 MHz. Det utmärkta cluster (helt aktuell tablå över vad som hörs och var) anger frekvenserna med en decimal. Bara att ratta in och lyssna.... Nästan för enkelt. Men sen kommer det personliga momentet in: Jag ska uppfatta signalerna, skriva ner dem. Därefter blir det rapport via e-mail och byrå eller i intressantare fall direkt.

Amatörlyssnandet är idealiskt för lata dx-are. Våra hörda och verifierade länder rasar snabbt i höjden. För min del har jag under sju år loggat 267 "länder" (de som räknas som särskilda enheter i DXCC-listan, ibland mycket små ensliga öar) och QSL har kommit från 251 hittills.

Jag älskar CW, annars skulle jag inte hålla på med det här. Och rådde det människovärdiga lyssnarförhållanden på MV här hos mig bleve det inte amatörradio. Men den som inte har bröd får äta palt - och det är inte dumt det heller! Jag trivs, och det är väl det som är meningen med det hela....

(God lyssning önskar Ullmar Qvick via NORDX)

### WR-G35DDCi 'EXCALIBUR Ultra'

The WiNRADiO WR-G35DDCi Excalibur Ultra is a high performance, direct-sampling, software-defined ultra-wideband shortwave receiver with a frequency range from 9 kHz to 45 MHz. It includes a real-time 45 MHz-wide spectrum analyzer and 32 MHz-wide instantaneous bandwidth available for recording, demodulation and further digital processing.

- 1 kHz to 45 MHz continuous frequency range
- Direct sampling
- Digital down-conversion
- 16-bit 100 MSPS A/D converter
- 45 MHz-wide, real-time spectrum analyzer
- 32 MHz recording and processing bandwidth
- Ready for phase-coherent system configurations
- Continuously adjustable filter bandwidth down to 1 Hz
- Three parallel demodulator channels
- Waterfall display functions
- Audio spectrum analyzer
- Audio and IF recording and playback
- Recording with pre-buffering
- Very high IP3 (+38 dBm)
- Excellent sensitivity (0.20  $\mu$ V SSB, 0.09  $\mu$ V CW)
- Excellent dynamic range (108 dB)
- Excellent frequency stability (0.5 ppm)
- User-configurable preselection filters
- Selectable low-noise preamplifier
- Test and measurement functions
- PCI-e interface



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G35DDCi är en ny mottagare för 1 kHz –45 MHz och som kan spela in hela 32 MHz. Pris SEK 47800. Säkert behövs också en bra dator och stora hårddiskar. Länk till WinRadio: <http://www.winradio.com/home/g35ddci.htm>  
(Hej från Lennart Deimert via NORDX)  
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The WRTH team has already tested this new receiver and the test is presented in WRTH 2014. /TN



## Shared Apex Loop Array

**Moin, moin - auch bei Antennen** gibts ja immer mal wieder Neuheiten. So etwa die "Shared Apex Loop Array":  
[http://www.arrayolutions.com/Products/sal\\_array.htm](http://www.arrayolutions.com/Products/sal_array.htm)

Dabei handelt es sich um eine Empfangsantenne mit vier Dreieckschleifen für DX-Empfang, mit denen sich durch Umschalten eine ausgeprägte Richtwirkung (acht Richtungen) erzeugen lässt. Die Steuerung erfolgt über das Koaxialkabel, eine weitere Verbindung ist nicht erforderlich.

Die Antenne gibts in drei Größen, "für uns" käme vor allem die kleine AS-SAL-12 infrage: die Aufhängung erfolgt an einem Fiberglasmast von knapp fünf Metern Höhe, der Platzbedarf schlägt einen Kreis von rund 8,5m Durchmesser, während die größere Version mmit (noch) besserer Leistung auf den tiefen Frequenzen einen Fiberglasmast von 7,3 m Höhe erfordert und einen Kreis von 12,2 m.

Preise: um 800 US-\$ bei Direktbezug.

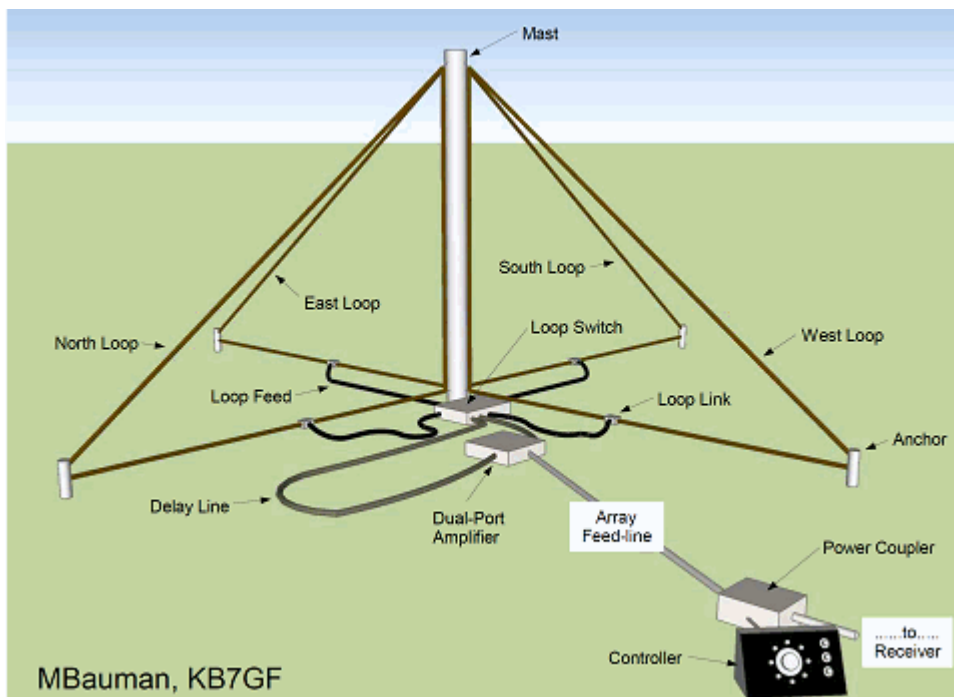
Weiterhin lieferbar vom selben Anbieter ist eine K9AY sowie das Material für eine Beverage. Aber die geht ja auch mit Material aus Schwarzrotgold.

(73, Nils, DK8OK via A-DX)

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Danke Nils! So klein ist die DX-Welt. Ich habe mir am Wochenende das ganze Konzept auch angesehen. Es gibt dazu noch eine weitere Webseite: <http://www.widebandloop.com> Und eine Yahoo-Gruppe gibt es auch.

Beachtlicher Pluspunkt (für mich): Man kann die Steuerung der Antenne auch „remote“ betreiben. Ein wichtiger Ansatz für den Weihnachtsbesuch bei meinem Bauern...

(73 Christoph Ratzer via A-DX)



Picture from <http://drmnainfo.blogspot.se/2011/03/shared-apex-loop-array-for-drm.html> /TN

## Pacific Asian Log in userlist format

Bruce Portzer has given me permission to produce a Perseus userlist version of the Pacific Asian Log.

I have created a folder named "Pacific Asian Log" that contains 2 Excel versions of the PAL, 2 userlist files and a brief instructions document.

One version of the above contains the entire PAL, and the other version contains only Australia - New Zealand - Hawaii.

The Excel files contain the macros used to generate the userlist files. They are not protected, so you can modify the format as you see fit.

(Chuck Hutton via Perseus\_YG)

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For StationList users: I have converted it into the StationList database file <http://dx.3sdesign.de/temp/pal.db>

Download it and put it in the SL folder Then use Ctrl-O and open it.

(Jurgen Bartels Suellwarden, N. Germany via Perseus\_YG)



## Santa Claus active from his QTH in northern Finland - OF9X!

Just heard OF9X booming in on 14031 kHz --- from the REAL Santa Claus QTH in northern Finland. Here is the adequate info:

### OF9X -- OLD FATHER 9 XMAS

Do you remember the Ho-Ho Santa Claus who penetrated the bands and talked to children all over the world from Santa's homeland - Finnish Lapland?

If you don't -- just refresh your memory at QRZ.com. Santa's helpers are now whispering that the white-bearded Old Man will be on the air this year again. The focus is on this coming weekend to remind you of the fun period of Christmas and to create the right spirit for families with children throughout the world. Just as last year, this will happen on the radio waves and hopefully on a variety of bands. Not many people knew then that Santa can even send Morse code!

Already tonight and over the next few days, Santa will appear around 14.225 kHz while loading up his sleigh for the weekend's world tour. Just go for it and get involved -- let your children or grandchildren feel the true coming of Christmas and the presence of Santa Claus.

The announcement is released below and we wish you a Merry Christmas and Good Luck for contacting Santa Claus!

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The OF9X Santa Radio will be active in December from the Land of Santa Claus (QTH of Santa-Radio <http://www.harriniva.fi>) but adding to it and making it more visible, Radio Arcala will utilize their most advanced technology and remotely driven station, signing OF9X to test their technology, ride the Polar Path and employ a 100 meter (330 foot) rotating tower with a 6-over-6-over-6-over-6 20M array. If you contact OF9X during December, 2013, a slick Santa Claus CW-certificate and a fact sheet will be sent to you as per your email request to . The certificate can be issued also in the name of your children or grandchildren and used as a entry document with a discount program on your potential visit to our radio location at Harriniva, Muonio.

(Ullmar Qvick via NORDX)

### Seifert PSE-61 preselector

**Hallo, ich verkaufe einen aktiven Preselektor PSE-61.** Wem dieses brillante Gerät unbekannt ist, der möge sich bitte auf der Seite von Christoph Ratzer <http://ratzer.at/empfaenger/seifert-pse-61-preselektor> sowie ggf. Hier <http://www.radiomuseum.org/forumdata/upload/pse61.pdf> ein Bild machen. Der Preselektor ist technisch und optisch in hervorragendem Zustand. Die Stromversorgung über 230V sowie ein passender Adapter von 10-15V nach 28-30V sind vorhanden.

Das komplette Ensemble wird meistbietend ab 450 EUR abgegeben. Für Verpackung und Versand innerhalb Deutschlands werden zusätzlich 8 EUR fällig.

Interessenten können sich persönlich an mich wenden.

(73 Thomas Lindenthal via A-DX)