

# SHORTWAVE BULLETIN

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The coming week seems very promising. Summer has arrived to Southern Sweden. In only a few days the nature is green all over.

The rape fields surrounding our house are in full, yellow bloom.

The SWB/ARC convention was held in Jönköping. I took only a few pictures and we are waiting for the usual report from the secretary.

On the DX-front nothing much.

Maybe it's time to move the radio gear backwards and enjoy other summer related activities instead.

Also those with long antennas are subject to lightning stikes and it is too expensive to take any risks.

The modern SDR's and computers are subject to damage more easy than the old tube stuff.

In any case - don't forget next issue of SWB. All type of mtrl are welcome.

Keep on ....

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## QSL, kommentarer, mm.

**Lars Wallmark.** Att flytta har sina positiva och aviga sidor. Att starta upp på nytt med antenner och också nytt QTH(och land) tar sin tid. Aktiviteten handlar om att få ordning på, mitt Cortijo på Costa Tropical, nedan för Granada och öster Malaga. 350 m ö.h och brant ned mot azurblått saltigt Medelhav. Låg störningsnivå och det känner jag på mina testantenn som kommit upp och att detta blir bra. Bygger 2 vägsbävrar, K9AYL för lyssning. Sedan ska två master upp med div beamar.

Gläds åt min EA7 licens/EA7JZL/ vid sidan av SM2HWG och SM2W... och trots manna råder ska det blir klart... /73 Lars

*(Tack för introt, hoppas du får till en fin station där nere vid Medelhavet. Vi ser fram emot kommande rapporter om fina loggningar och om hur din utrustning kommer att fungera i sommarvärmen. /TN)*

**Dan Olsson:** Hej! Här kommer lite bidrag ifrån DO. Efter min operation för en månad sedan så har radiolyssnandet varit ganska aktivt för min del. Alla loggningar förutom de som är märkta 23-24 april är tagna via SDXF:s remote på Öland. De som är märkta 23-24 april är avlyssnade i Saxtorp där jag, Hans Kronkvist, Göran Nordstedt och Per Eriksson lyssnade. Tyvärr är det så stort att det ej går att lyssna här hemma.

Lite QSL har kommit den senaste månaden: **R Igloo** 5700 och 5765 e-brev och kort, **R Pandora** 5800 kort och info, **Klompfenboer** 6230 e-brev och foto, **R Desperado** 6262 e-brev och kort, **Zwarte Ruiter** 6290 e-brev och kort, **IBC** 6970 kort, **CRI/Jinhua** 7410 e-brev och **World Mission Broadcasting** 11615 e-brev, brev och kort.

**Lennart Weirell:** Tack för senast! Det var trevligt att träffa dig och alla andra på ARC/SWB-konventet i Jönköping. Nu laddas det upp för nästa arrangemang: 60-års jubiléet och DX-Parlamentet i Stockholm.

Ett par QSL att rapportera: **SDXF via RRS** (april) – 6060 k efter 6 t, **R Telstar** – 6280 e-mail efter 3 v.

*(Javisst, var det kul att träffas och utbyta tankar och erfarenheter. Hoppas nästa konvent blir lika välbesökt. /TN)*

## ARC-SWB konventet i Jönköping.

Ett stort tack till Göte Lindström, Bengt Ericson och Hasse Mattisson för årets konvent.

Många av våra medlemmar hade mött upp (c:a 25 st), och alla skall ha ett stort tack för en riktig trevlig samvaro.

Ett extra stort tack till Göte Lindström som fixat ett perfekt arrangemang och som på söndagsförmiddagen visade oss runt på Sveriges näst största folkhögskola, Södra Vätterbygdens Folkhögskola.



Här bredvid en bild från deras radiostudio, som har samma utrustning som Sveriges Radio. Bilden visar ansvarig lärare för hur man hanterar en radiostudio och som ingår som en del i journalistutbildningen.



Henrik Klemetz i högform

Ytterligare en bild från konventet. DX-arnas LA-ambassadör, Henrik Klemetz berättar om diverse äventyr i framförallt Colombia och hade också en massa trevlig information om hur många sätt det finns att locka fram en verifikation från en station som inte har en aning om vad DX är.

Stort tack till Henrik för detta anförande.

## Log

(UTC)

3210	Apr25	1804	Unique R. in Halls Creek NSW with QSL ltr from Tim Gaynor who says: " I'm finding that the antenna I've got (end fed 1/2 wave wire) isn't concentrating enough power where I want it, so I hope to either up the wattage and /or upgrade the antenna. The transmitter : RF Electronics of Greece , 'The Fox' 100 watt PEP exciter running between 80 to 90 watts PEP into the antenna. Within 6 months or so I will be moving the transmitter to a better QTH around 90KM west of Halls Creek to Gunnedah NSW... Vintage (nb: FM, also on 3210) used to run around 250 watts into a dipole high up on Razorback Mountain in Western Sydney and had a superb TX site. Halls Creek is quite low and surrounded by trees and hills. It will be better when I move it :-)." This reception at 1804 UTC from Perseus site in Brisbane, about 400 km NW of Halls Creek. (Bruce Churchill)
3289.95	May2	0845	Voice of Guyana, 0845 om English religious message seemingly, 0858 brief music, 0902 news 0910 yl vocalist 28 April ~ 0743 yl chat in English into brief music then 0749 chorale music, 0750 Preacher, yl 0758, 0800 to 0805 BBC news "Sec. of State John Kerry today..". (Wilkner)
3320.02	May2	0005	R Sonder Grense, Meyerton Afrikaans ann, hymns (AP-DNK)
3325	May4	-1201*	NBC Bougainville, 1120 till suddenly off at 1201. Long series of speeches; 1150 playing pop Pacific Island music; in Tok Pisin/Pidgin; after NBC went off heard JBA carrier of assume RRI Palangkaraya. May 1, NBC not heard at all. May 2 clearly off early at 1136 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
3325	May6		I'm awake at 1200, so quickly tune here for NBC, talk and song at S4-S7, 1202 talk, recheck at 1205 it's down to S2, so suspect NBC has gone off in the meantime uncovering RRI Palangkaraya. Ron Howard agrees with my obs on this yesterday: ``Glenn - May 5 was a good day for NBC Bougainville reception! 1001 with PNG bird call; news in English till 1011 and then news in Tok Pisin/Pidgin till 1021. Noted NBC went off the air about 1153; RRI was not heard till later. Ron`` Today May 6, 3260 was already off at 1200, and 5020 Solomons was off when checked at 1205 (Glenn Hauser, OK)
3365	May5	2340	Radio Cultura, Araraquara, SP weak, yl chat , first time noted in a while (Wilkner)
4009.89	May2	*0000-	Birinchi R, Krasnaya Rechka tone signal, fanfare, ID in Kyrgyz and Russian: "... Birinchi Radio ... Govorit Bishkek", national hymn by choir, 0003 Kyrgyz ann, frequent digital QRM // 4819.95 (QRM Xizang) (AP-DNK)
4055	May1	-0607*	Radio Verdad, Chiquimula, religious songs and comments in English, id. in several languages, "Estación Evangélica Radio Verdad....", anthem and close. (Méndez)
4500.00	May1	2345	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Mongolian talk, musical interlude // 6190 (AP-DNK)
4747.53	May5	2335	Radio Huanta 2000, brief music , weak signal subject to fading (Wilkner)
4765	Apr30	0227	Radio Progreso, La Habana, Cuban songs. (Méndez)
4765.01	May1	2310	Tajik R 1, Yangiyul, Dushanbe Tajik reading morning poetry (AP-DNK)

4774.9	May1	0154	Radio Tarma, Tarma, comments, mentioned "Tarma", songs in Spanish (Méndez)
4805	May1	1020	Radio Difusora (DO) Amazonas, Manaus noted recheck with long talk by om (Wilkner)
4835	May2	1912	VL8A, Alice Springs, comments. (Méndez)
4850.00	May1	2350	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Kazakh talk with many musical interludes. NB: First signed on around *2340 instead of scheduled *2310 // 6015 (AP-DNK)
4875.1	May1	0155	Radiodifusora Roraima, Boavista, Brazilian songs. (Méndez)
4885	Apr27	1156	Echo of Hope - VOH, suddenly on at 1156 with singing jingle ending with "VOH"; fair, but within an hour up to good reception. Since they first went of the air here (Dec 21, 2015), have never heard any jamming; whereas // 3985 // 6003 and // 6348 always seem to have white noise jamming. This is still easy to ID with the often heard "V O H" in English (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
4885	May1	0445	Radio Clube (DO) Pará, Belém, id. "Radio Clube (DO) Pará", Brazilian songs, comments, "Vostede está ouvindo(DO) Eu e Você na Madrugada". (Méndez)
4875.14	May1	2320	R Dif. Roraima, Boa Vista, RR Portuguese talk, music (AP-DNK)
4910	Apr30	-0830*	VL8T Tennant Creek 0803 fading with With yl talk in regard to music (Wilkner)
4925.2	May1	0159	Radio Educaçao Rural, Tefé, comments. (Méndez)
4949.75	May1	2330	R Nacional de Angola, Mulenvos Portuguese talk, audio barely audible (AP-DNK)
4955.0	May6	0149	music at S7, presumed only known station on 4955, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta, but which Aoki and WRTH think closes at 0100, 5 kW OAX5S. (Hardly anything from Angola 4949.7 tonight) (Glenn Hauser, OK)
4980.00	May1	2335	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Uighur ann, folksongs // 3990 (CWQRM, best in USB), 6120 and 7205 (AP-DNK)
5020	May5	1124	SIBC presumed heard in English om with poor to fair signal at 1124 with female talk and western style music being played made it out well when ever Cubawas talking their signal was down this am (Trotto)
5060.00	May1	2340	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Chinese conversation with folksongs in the background // 3950 and 5960 (AP-DNK)
5066.4	May5	1845	Radio Tele Candip, Bunia, Vernacular comments. Very weak. (Méndez)
5700	Apr23	2055	R Igloo spelade två ABBA-låtar. (DO)
5950	Apr28	1810	Voice of Tigray Revolution, Addis Ababa, East African songs. (Méndez)
5952.4	May1	1020	Pio XII, Siglo Veinte weak signal om , gone at recheck at 1055 (Wilkner)
5965	Apr27	1303	New 5965, Shiokaze; first day on alternate frequency; in Korean; ex: 5935; good reception with no jamming yet (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
5965	May3	1301	S4 very poor, piano music and YL, i.e. Shiokaze from JAPAN on latest QSY. Tuesday language is Japanese for both semi-hours per Ivo Ivanov. BTW, the recently added daily broadcast in Japanese at 1405- 1435 he says is on new 7325! So much for the CRI window allowing Wantok Radio Light to be heard. When will 1 kW WRL, PNG, ever figure out that they should find a frequency without the Asian big`uns on it? Ivo says the other Shiokaze hour at 1600 is now on 6090, another brand-new frequency for it. <b>English is on both hours (or rather all four semi-hours) Thursdays only.</b> This is from the ``FINAL EDITION`` #950 of DX Re Mix News Bulgaria dated April 30, which will be sorely missed, al tho Ivo is continuing to send us various individual reports (Glenn Hauser, OK)

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Hi Glenn, Here is my MP3 audio from last Thursday's (April 28) English intro:  
<https://goo.gl/XIY0ir> for Shiokaze/Sea Breeze on 5965, at the start of their COMJAN produced broadcast at 1300. COMJAN (Investigating Committee on Missing Japanese Probably Related to North Korea) has produced Shiokaze's programs since Jan 20 03. Google translation of Shiokaze's homepage: <https://goo.gl/nBEMXn> and about COMJAN at <http://goo.gl/fjFWRL> . (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)

5995	Apr29	0602	Radio Mali, Bamako, French, Vernacular, comments. Very weak. (Méndez)
6030	Apr28	1832	Radio Oromiya, Addis Ababa, Vernacular comments. (Méndez)
6034,994	May3	-1217*	"BBS on 6034.994 this morning from 1149 to 1217:17* <b>No PBS</b> under," but my reception of BBS yesterday was many times better than today. Hope we can get some days with good propagation, while PBS is having problems. Almost all the regulars that I listen to were very weak. 0930-1000 was listening to RA (9580 // 12065 // 12085 all fair-good) with special live 2016 budget speech by Scott Morrison and wanted to check if ABC also had it. Very rare for me to find that 4835 only had an open carrier - No Audio. Normally I have very decent audio, but none today!

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Believe I now have a better understanding of what has been happening recently with BBS and PBS Yunnan on 6035. Noted the following on May 5: 1121: PBS in Chinese with music show; no BBS yet. 1152: Finally hearing BBS with old Bob Dylan song (sounded like "Just Like a Woman"?), underneath stronger PBS with announcer in Chinese. 1200: PBS changed to Vietnamese and gave multi-language ID ("SW liu[6] ling[0] san[3] wu[5]. Yunnan Radio

and Television International, the Voice Shangri-la"); **went off the air 1201, leaving BBS in the clear.** So what has been happening recently is that PBS is no longer going off the air at 1500 as they normally did, but now end broadcasting sometime around 1200. A major change and of course greatly helps with reception of BBS after they are off. 1201: BBS with usual format with announcer and brief spots with indigenous music. 1228: BBS off the air. (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)

6050	May1	*0525-	ELWA Radio, Monrovia, tuning music, at 0530 id. "This is ELWA Radio, short wave...", English, religious comments and songs. (Méndez)
6060.00	Apr30	1100	R Nord Revival, Sala only in AM and LSB Nonstop Elvis Presley songs, e.g. "Blue Hawaii", 1106 Swedish chat about Elvis Presley // 3975.00 best in AM and USB (AP-DNK)
6060.00	May1	2300	Sichuan PBS, Chengdu Chinese interview // 7225 (AP-DNK)
6090	May5	1955	R Amhara med lokalmusik och ID 2008. (DO)
6110	May2	1815	Radio Fana, Addis Ababa, East African songs. (Méndez)
6115	May2	-1823*	Radio Congo, Brazzaville, French, comments. Very weak. Also 1816-1825, May 5, French, comments, " Le chronique culturelle", Congo cultural news and comments. Good and clear signal today, increasing. (Méndez)
6130	May3	1200	LNR. Have recently been checking for their unique gong/bell that they ring slowly 7 times (7:00 PM their local time), followed by anthem at 1200; yes, am able to hear them very faintly but can confirm it's them; otherwise unusable (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
6135.2	May2	0740	Radio Aparecida, Aparecida, SP weak, no sign of almost co channel Santa Cruz, Bolivia (Wilkner)
6134.8	May1	0155	Radio Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz de la Sierra, comments, id. at 0201: "... onda corta, frecuencia modulada...", Radio Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, su compañía, Radio Santa Cruz les llena de alegría". (Méndez)
6165	Apr28	0542	no longer hearing Ndjamena underneath RHC, which for a while was making an obvious subaudible het sometimes with audio. Nor have I for a few nights now around this time. So are they completely gone again from SW? Thorsten Hallmann in Germany reported April 24: ``6165 RN Tchadienne: There is usually a little gap between 1757 (CRI off) and 1800 (BBC on) to indicate Chad activity which seems to be running not always till after 1900, when the channel becomes clear again. But not there in the gap on Thursday and Saturday`` [April 21 and 23] (Glenn Hauser, OK)
6164.9			Radiodifusión Tchadienne (presumed), CHAD, 6164.9, Radiodifusión Tchadienne (presumed), 1902-1917 UTC, 06-05 now on air, comments, probably French, African songs. Extremely weak. 14321. (Mendez)
6180	May5	1148	Radio Taiwan inter heard in Chinese with fair signals (Trotto)
6180.03	May6	0143	RNA`s other frequency reactivated last night is on again tonight, causing ACI to poor 6185 XEPPM, México`s only SW station remaining. Greeting listeners calling in from around Brasil. At least this one is not distorted and splattering unlike // 11780 (Glenn Hauser, OK)
6210	Apr23	2205	R Barracuda med Randy Crawford i programmet. (DO)
6214	May5	2150	R Barracuda med Deep Purple och Dire Straits i programmet. (DO)
6240	Apr23	1605	Pandora R hade reklam för summermeeting i juli månad. (DO)
6250	Apr23	1700	R Freeline spelad flera låtar med Led Zeppelin och Queen. (DO)
6255	Apr30	1950	R Desperado med Queen och Spandau Ballet. (DO)
6265	Apr24	1820	SW-pirate med hyllningsprogram för Prince. (DO)
6280	Apr11	1945	Bata 4 med känd musik som ZZ Top och Rednex. (DO)
6320	May5	1745	Skywave med Pink Floyds "Wish you was here". (DO)
6950	Apr23	1910	R Enterprise lirade Jimmy Hendrix och James Brown. (DO)
7205	Apr30	1908	Sudan Radio, Al Aitahab, Arabic comments. (Méndez)
7255	May1	*0600-	Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, Hausa, mentioned several times "Nigeria". (Méndez)
7295	May7	0852	heard R. Sakha on 7295 (very weak the whole time) // 7345 which was many times stronger; 7345 had poor to almost fair reception. Heard with no QRM on either frequency. Easy to ID with distinctive IS and also "Radio Sakha" IDs. Thanks to Stephen Cooper for the initial info in DXLD yg about this station! My audio at <a href="https://goo.gl/mfj9yY">https://goo.gl/mfj9yY</a> (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
7345	May5	1230	Thazin Radio (presumed) viaPyin Oo Lwin. Very good news here - CNR1 is currently off the air, as I first noted yesterday. Now Myanmar is in the clear with pop songs and some indigenous music; in vernacular; mostly fair. Very pleasant listening now! My audio at <a href="https://goo.gl/leJBQk">https://goo.gl/leJBQk</a> (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
7410	Apr11	1730	CRI/Jinhua med program på ryska om teatrar. (DO)
7690	May4	2000	R Marconi Int med DX-program. (DO)
9275	Apr25	2030	WMLK Bethel PA was heard fairly well on Sweden's West Coast. The transmission ended abruptly at 21.00 right in the middle of a sentence and without any closing announcements at all. 3 (CB)

9480	Apr28	0412	Madagascar World Voice, sermon, Afr Pathways ID, addr, URL, hymns, good (Paszkie-wicz)
9510	Apr19	0006	Athmeeya Yatra via Nauen, instl, URL, ID, addr in W. Bengal 0030 s/off. (Paszkie-wicz)
9545	Apr26	0507	SIBC - Voice of the Nation. Tuned in at 0507 to find them on the air past their normal cut off time of 0500; started out very poorly and slowly improved by the time they suddenly went off the air at 0759. Always nice to catch SIBC running well past their normal cut off time! My audio of flight info at <a href="https://goo.gl/DLpio1">https://goo.gl/DLpio1</a> (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Oce-an Beach, CA, USA)
9545	May1	0647	SIBC w/ S5 and clear signal into Edmonton Perseus site (S4 at home QTH w/ higher noise lvl) from 0647 tune w/ local pop music request pgm w/ woman ancr to 0700. IS fol by news by woman in EE to 0711 fol by weather bcst and local bulletins - sponsored by Silentworld shipping co. - time given as "17 minutes past 6" fol by pgm sched by woman. Vocal by man and accompanying group at 0717. Male vocal "I'll Fly Away" at 0750 and time "7 minutes to 7" by woman at 0753. Recorded Solomon Airlines com'l fol by SA schedules by woman at 0755.5 to 0758.5. "SIBC Radio Happy Isles, the Voice of the Nation" ID anmt by woman repeated twice at 0759 fol by IS and news in Pidgin by woman at 0800. Best I have hrd SIBC on any frequency...definitely armchair quality! (Bruce Churchill)
9565	Apr29	0526	Super Radio Deus e Amor, Curitiba, religious comments. // 11765. (Méndez)
9630	Apr30	0512	Radio Aparecida, Aparecida, religious, program "Com A Mae Aparecida". (Méndez)
9635	Apr29	*0800-	Radio Mali, Bamako, tuning music, id. in French: "Içi Radio Mali emetant du Banako", comments. (Méndez)
9645.4	Apr29	0518	Radio Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo, comments, at 0520 to 0620 "A Voz do Brasil", id. at "0620: "Radio Bandeirantes...", news. (Méndez)
9665	Apr30	0516	Voz Missionaria, Camboriú, religious comments. (Méndez)
9724.9	Apr29	0531	Radio RB2, Curitiba, religious program "Com A Mae Aparecida, "Santuario Nacional". (Méndez)
9725	May4	1208	AM, Xing Xing BS (Star Star Broadcasting Station), V13. Ex: 7502-AM; numbers in Chinese; close to fair. My MP3 audio at <a href="https://goo.gl/XmSBX3">https://goo.gl/XmSBX3</a> (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
9730	Apr27	1102	Myanmar Radio, was checking at 1102 for the Wednesday edition of R. Australia's "English for Business" language lesson, but it was preempted by live sports coverage (soccer?) in vernacular; good number of mentions of "Myanmar"; coverage ended at 1122; filler music till the normal singing jingle ID and suddenly cut off at 1130 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
11615	Apr23	2115	World Mission Broadcasting med religiöst program på kinesiska. (DO)
11764.55	Apr30	0633	Super Radio Deus e Amor, Curitiba, religious comments. (Mendez)
11780	Apr30	0620	Radio Nacional da Amazonai, Brasilia, comments, songs. (Méndez)
11925.1	Apr29	1945	Radio Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo, comments, id. "Bandeirantes". (Méndez)
13820	Apr26	1948	R Algerienne via Issoudun, Qur'an, anmmts, pops, 1948 FR nx, anmt, sked, chorus to 1958* Good (Paszkie-wicz)
15105	May3	-1700*	TWR via Grigoriopol, Somali sermon, music breaks, talks, handbell IS, We've a Story to Tell the Nations. (Paszkie-wicz)
15245	May5	-1758*	Vo Assenna via Issoudun, woman talk in Tigrinya, anmmts, East Afr vocals to s/off (Pasz-kiewicz)
15260	May5	-1830*	IBRA via Woofferton, AR vocals, sermon, 1827 bell sound efx, anmt to s/off (Sheryl Pasz-kiewicz)
15360	May5	-1900*	KBS via Woofferton, RS woman talk, KR instl breaks, KR language lesson, another pgm, theme mx & anmts to s/off (Sheryl Paszkiewicz)
15420	Apr27	1231	Radio Free Sarawak, per Aoki via Palauig-Zambales (Philippines). Normally this band has a black out during their broadcast, but today was a rare exception; usual chatting on the phone in vernacular, but what was not usual was a conversation by announcer in the studio in vernacular with candidate Simon Tiong on the phone, who responded in English; talking about "All the people of Sarawak" and about the duties of the Chief Minister to serve all the the people. Back in 2014, RFS often had to change frequencies to try to evade the heavy jamming, which proved to be so persistent that RFS took a long break (about a year?) from broadcasting on SW. Since they returned in 2015, I have not once heard them jammed or seen reports of any jamming. Why did the jamming not start up again during the past year? A major policy change by Malaysia? Anyone have any thoughts about this? Thanks for any comments (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, USA)
15425	Apr27	0214	CRI at 0214 in listed Amoy with a man and woman with talk – Weak and noisy (Coady-ON)
15480	Apr27	0216	CNR1 at 0216 in Mandarin with a man with a report and into an audio clip of another man then possible ID at 0218 and into a number of promos – Fair (Coady-ON)
15575	Apr27	0221	KBS World at 0221 in Spanish with a woman with an oriental accent with talk then Korean

male vocals at 0224 – Good (Coady-ON)  
 15590 Apr27 0204 Radio Thailand at 0204 with a man and woman with “Radio Thailand News” then a feature on “The Royal Thai Monarch” at 0208 - Weak and noisy (Coady-ON)  
 15720 Apr27 0232 RNZI at 0232 with Mario Lanza vocals then a man with a TC of “26 to 3” at 0234 and a man and woman with talk about Lanza – Very Good (Coady-ON)  
 17515 May5 1707 Bible Voice via Nauen, Amharic sermon, East Afr vocals, prayer, Voice of Maranatha ID, addr, URL, "This is Bible Voice Broadcasting" and biblevoice.org. (Paszkievicz)  
 17730.03 Apr26 \*1600- (South Sudan) Eye R, Juba, via ? \*1600-1700\* Fanfare, ann in Dinka (tent.), news and reports, jingle, interview, adv, 1655 local song by mixed choir, closing ann with Horn of Africa musik (AP-DNK)

**Few notes of Brisbane Queensland remote monitoring 0910 to 0920 UT May 6th**

VUT Radio Vanuatu PBT Port Vila, S=9+5dB or -71dBm signal at 0910 UT. Mixture of English words  
 7259.960 talk and like Vernacular/Indian accented immigrants?, talk by two men.  
 7324.944 PNG Wantok Radio Light, performed native female chorus singer group, at 0914 UT on S=8 or -79dBm level.  
 7850.000 CAN CHU Ottawa time pips and En/Fr announcement at S=7 or -82dBm.  
 7795.400 JPN JMH F3C mode transmission at 0920 UT, S=7 or -83dBm signal strength.  
 (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 6)

**Good morning from Europe, checked 31 mb in North America and Brisbane Queensland.**

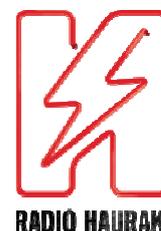
9544.997 Slightly odd fq on lower side. SLM the Solomons advts in English, but I guess also Vernaculars or accented English in between. Weak signal deep-night in Detroit Michigan at 0933 UT on May 1st, but S=9+15dB at 0952 UT in Brisbane Queensland and also strong at Edmonton Alberta CAN remote SDR unit.  
 9240.006 Cuban Spanish spy number service at 0930 UT, S=9 or -68dBm in MI-USA.  
 9565.074 SRDA, 0949 UT  
 9645.390 Rádio Bandeirantes, 0941 UT.  
 9664.982 ZYE890 Voz Missionaria, Camboriu SC, 0944 UT  
 9724.951 RB2 Portuguese, 0946 UT  
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**Station news**

**NEW ZEALAND. Radio Hauraki** pirate Chris Parkinson dies. Listen to the dramatic story of the Hauraki pirates and their stormy start both ashore and at sea in the late 1960s.  
<http://www.radionz.co.nz/collections/resounding-radio/audio/2593921/hauraki-at-sea-the-beginnings-of-private-radio>



**PAPUA. Lack of radio means PNG rural population starved of info.** A Papua New Guinea member of parliament says the country's rural communities are in great need of shortwave and medium wave radio services.

The Bulolo MP, Sam Basil, said with the facilities of the national broadcaster, NBC, having been left to deteriorate, it has cut off the only means of communication for people in PNG's many remote areas.

He said the commercialisation of FM frequencies was based on urban areas and didn't penetrate into PNG's many remote, rural communities.

Mr Basil said this was apparent in various rural parts he recently visited across the country.

"One thing that I found out from the people there is that since the decommissioning of the shortwave 1, shortwave 2 and then medium wave frequencies from the NBC some twenty years ago, nobody in those rural areas is tuning into what's happening in Port Moresby," said Mr Basil.

"Even some areas that I go to, they don't even know who the current prime minister is."

Radio New Zealand International, April 26

<http://www.radionz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/302361/lack-of-radio-means-png-rural-population-starved-of-info>  
(Mike Barraclough via DXLD)

**VANUATU [and non]. 7259.96**, April 28 at 1200, I'm looking for **R. Vanuatu**, as reported by Ron Howard active on the 41 mb. At first on 7260.0, I hear a Chinese 5+1 timesignal but it's 8.5 seconds late! That carrier stays on, without modulation? There is a second carrier, obviously making double-het with BFO off-tuned to 7259.0. They add up to S6, also with some QRhaM on the upper side. The stronger carrier cuts off at 1205:35.5\* uncovering the JBA one as then measured above presumed to be R. Vanuatu. Aoki does show -1205 for Urumqi 7260.

Here's the situation from Ron Howard, California: ``7260, R. Vanuatu on April 22, just at 1205 heard PBS Xinjiang go off the air here, leaving the frequency clear for RV reception; announcer and some pop songs; 1216 clear National Anthem ("Yumi, Yumi, Yumi"); audio ended at 1217, but they keep the transmitter on for a long time after that. Wish they would carry some filler music or something, seeing as the transmitter is on anyway! Thanks very much to Hiroyuki Komatsubara (Japan) for the tip about the post-1205 reception of Radio Vanuatu! Should be of help to many DXers``

WRTH 2016 scheduling indicates RV has a single 1.5 to 2 kW transmitter, on 7260 for day, 3945 at night. At 1221 I check 3945 where R. Nikkei 2, Japan is still on, this being a weekday until 1400 (while Sat/Sun it's off after 0900), but detect a second carrier there too underneath, so could RV be running two transmitters now? (An AM ham could be confusing things; RN1 on 3925 is usually avoided by hams but now someone in LSB is right atop it.) At UT +11, approx. sun-down in Vanuatu is 0700 UT, so 7260 after 1200 is way too late for ``day``.

Confirming that RV is off-frequency to the lo side are several recent reports to the DXLD yg by Bryan Clark, Wolfgang Büschel and Mauno Ritola putting it on 7259.95, 7259.9555 and 7259.96; the 75m frequency as low as 3944.204. On 7260 one must also beware of listed Mongolia at 0655-1500.

Via Mike Terry and José Miguel Romero2, RNZI has reported that there is a 100-day plan ending July 1 to return RV to its ``former glory of nationwide coverage`` by somehow upgrading shortwave, but a problem is informing the public of the correct frequencies to tune rather than spotty FM coverage, not to mention using SW receivers at all (WRTH 2016 shows the national broadcaster has only two low-power MW frequencies, one of which is off, and two even lower-power FMs at the same locations as MW).

RNZI: ``New Zealand radio transmission engineer, Steve White, has made several trips to Vanuatu and other Pacific countries to help set up transmission equipment. He says the big advantage of short-wave radio is that receivers are extremely cheap to buy. Mr White says the other benefit is that the transmission is capable of covering enormous distances.

STEVE WHITE: From Port Vila you can cover the entire country of Vanuatu, which spans something like 1100 kilometres in a roughly North-South direction, that can't be achieved by any other transmission mode`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

**Yakutia-Sakha. Yakutsk.** We got broadcasting license - State budgetary institution of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia). National broadcasting company "Sakha". Radio Yakutsk - Sakha Sirin araadyyata.

7295 Yakutsk

7345 Yakutsk

Mon-Fri: from 06.00 to 09.00; from 12.00 to 14.00; from 18.00 to 23.00; Sat-Sun: from 07.00 to 14.00; from 18.00 to 21.00 local time.

(Victor Rutkovskiy, Ekaterinburg, Russia / "open\_dx")

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Time in Yakutsk = Moscow time + 6 hours. Yakutsk Time = Universal Time UTC + 9:00

RUSSIA NBC "Sakha" Yakutia on shortwave from May 6, schedule:

2100-2400 on 7295 IAK 250 kW / 045 deg to FERu Russian Sun-Thu

2100-2400 on 7345 IAK 100 kW / 310 deg to FERu Russian Sun-Thu

2200-0500 on 7295 IAK 250 kW / 045 deg to FERu Russian Fri/Sat

2200-0500 on 7345 IAK 100 kW / 310 deg to FERu Russian Fri/Sat

0300-0500 on 7295 IAK 250 kW / 045 deg to FERu Russian Mon-Fri

0300-0500 on 7345 IAK 100 kW / 310 deg to FERu Russian Mon-Fri

0900-1200 on 7295 IAK 250 kW / 045 deg to FERu Russian Daily

0900-1200 on 7345 IAK 100 kW / 310 deg to FERu Russian Daily

In A-11 7295 kHz is 7200 kHz & 7345 kHz is 7230 kHz 1900-1500UT

(DX MIX News) (Ivan Lebedevsky, Vyritsa, Russia / "worlddx")

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07.05.2016 at 11.08 at 7345 kHz in Tomsk is a very good reception. I heard the end of the weather forecast on the Russian, then followed the Yakut program. (Vladimir Kovalenko, Tomsk, Russia).

(from Rus-DX #871)

## Other radio news

### AirSpy Mini, the little brother SDR

Just a new interesting SDR receiver 24-1800 MHz. Nice price, great for FM dxing and much more

[Radio & Communication Info: Arriva AirSpy Mini, fratello minore di AirSpy](#)

(73, Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia via DXLD)



### 20th edition of the "Broadcasting in Russian" Handbook

20th edition of the "Broadcasting in Russian" Handbook, published by St. Petersburg DX Club, has been recently released.

The handbook features all radio stations transmitting Russian language broadcasts in AM bands (on long, medium and short waves) at present, both from Russia and abroad. Station listings include frequency and programme schedules, transmitter location and power, target areas, postal addresses, phone/fax numbers, Web sites, social network pages, e-mail addresses as well as QSL policy info. The schedules are generally valid until 29 October 2016 (i.e. during A16 broadcasting season).

The Handbook is in Russian and distributed as a hard copy only. Volume is 68 pages of A5 size. Please address your purchase requests and questions to St. Petersburg DX Club: Alexander Beryozkin, P.O.Box 463, St. Petersburg, 190000, Russia or by e-mail: [dxspb\[at\]nrec.spb.ru](mailto:dxspb[at]nrec.spb.ru).

The price is 5 EUR or 6 USD (including delivery by registered mail). PayPal and Skrill money transfers are accepted. Your comments and suggestions regarding the handbook contents are always welcome.

(Alexander Beryozkin, St. Petersburg DX Club via Rus-DX #871)

### SDRplay announces the acquisition of Studio 1 SDR software



Rising from the ashes...

<http://www.hamradioscience.com/sdrplay-announces-the-acquisition-of-studio-1-sdr-software/>

You can't beat writing your own code J .

(Simon Brown, GK4ELI, <http://sdr-radio.com>)



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The picture to the left shows the RSP which covers the radio spectrum from 100kHz (Long Wave) to 2GHz (Microwaves) with a massive 8MHz bandwidth. Priced at \$149 or £119 plus shipping.

### Testbericht ICOM IC-7300

Hallo DXer, hier gibt es u. a. einen Testbericht zum IC-7300 von ICOM.

<http://www.ab4oj.com/test/reports.html>

vy 73! Norbert Graf D D 3 K F via A-DX



### Interesting article about OTH HF radar at Chernobyl with audio clip

**The Top Secret Military Base** Hidden in Chernobyl's Irradiated Forest.

The mysterious Cold War base is now an eerie, crumbling ruin. (by Luke Spencer, in Atlas Obscura,

<http://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/the-top-secret-military-base-hidden-in-chernobyls-irradiated-forest>

April 25, 2016, via [radioman390@cs.com](mailto:radioman390@cs.com) in UDXF YG, via Horacio Nigro, Uruguay, April, 26, +Glenn Hauser DXLD).

Here is one comment about this topic, which comes from a guy named Token, in the UDXF yg...

"While the article appears better researched than some that have been published, it still contains errors and sensationalism.

The article says "The purpose of the Russian Woodpecker remained a mystery. Conspiracy theories ranged from Soviet mind control to weather experiments. Then came the collapse of the Soviet Union, which revealed that the Russian Wood-



pecker was at the forefront of what was known as “over the horizon” radar”. Aside from conspiracy people it was known to be a radar from very early on. The waveform was well understood and its purpose, and potential performance levels, easily understood by anyone in the field. Today some people still believe it was mind control, but then some people believe Elvis is still alive and pumping gas in Montana also.

The article further says “The Duga-3 (Eastern) radar broadcasting the Woodpecker signal was located in the forest surrounding Chernobyl.” Two errors in one short sentence. The Duga near Chernobyl was not the “Eastern” radar, it was the Western radar, the Eastern radar was located near Komsomolsk-na-Amure in far eastern Russia. And the large antenna and processing facility near Chernobyl did not broadcast the Woodpecker signal. The Duga radars, like many HF OTHRs, were bistatic radars. This meant that the transmitter and the receiver were physically separated. In the case of these radars by about 60 km. The facility that remains today, and is seen in the pictures in that piece, is the receiver, not the transmitter or source of the signal. The transmitter was located about 60 km to the north east, near the city of Lyubech. By the way, Wikipedia, and several other sources, have the locations of the transmitter and receiver reversed.

(T!, Mojave Desert, California, USA, In UDXF yg, via Nigro, Uruguay, April 27)

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Interesting article about OTH HF radar at Chernobyl with audio clip and here is a link to a youtube-video also taking a closer look at the installations <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YeLjJXvtmxo> and there are more videos on youtube like this [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A-UXWh4Rj\\_E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A-UXWh4Rj_E). You can even book a holiday trip to the Woodpecker....  
( 73, Harald, DL1ABJ via DXplorer)

### Cold War American Clandestine Radio Broadcasting over the Iron Curtain

Cold War American Clandestine Radio Broadcasting over the Iron Curtain is a series of posts so far covering Nasha Rossia (Our Russia), Future of Romania - Voice of National Resistance and Novaya Ukraine, All these stations operated in the 1950's. First of six blog posts by Richard Cummings was on March 24.

<http://coldwarradios.blogspot.co.uk/>

(Mike Barraclough via DXLD)

### Dagens garagefynd. Kaj Larsson

(Hittade dessa i garaget! Skannade av Kaj Larsson via Svensk DX-Historia)

