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SWB-info

This is issue no. 2000.

I'm a bit confused that so many of our members in the mailing list have paid no attention at all to this celebration and also very seldom contribute.

Those who have – thanks a lot.

I regard this as there is very little interest to let SWB continue.

The coming weekend we will hold our annual convention in Jönköping where we will discuss the future of SWB.

In next issue I will let you know if SWB will continue and if so there will be changes, especially in the log.

Keep on

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R e d a k t i o n :

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SWB on HCDX:

<http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb>

Dateline Bogotá 1993-1998:

<http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/Dateline.htm>

SWB latest issue/archive:

<http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/archive.htm>

QSL, comments, etc.

If you are interested to take part of some of the history of SWB, take a look at some of our issues:

Issue No. 1 <http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/1.pdf>

Issue No. 500 <http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/500.pdf>

Issue No. 1000 <http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/1000.pdf>

Issue No. 1500 <http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/1500.pdf>

Christoph Ratzert: I thought I should make a small cover contribution to the celebration of the 2000th edition. Thank you for your work with the SWB!

Christoph – thanks a lot for that nice logo for No. 2000., much appreciated! /Thomas

Texas Radio Shortwave: Howdy Thomas - At Texas Radio Shortwave, we like to keep up with the radio industry and the listening hobby.

We often miss seeing the latest issue of the *Shortwave Bulletin* because we forget to check and see if a new issue's been published.

Is there an email distribution list we could be added to that would send us new issues as they're available?

Keep up the great work on your fine bulletin.

Regards and 73. Texas Radio Shortwave. *It's the ONLY place to be!*

www.facebook.com/texasradiosw

You are vey welcome. I have already added you to the mailing list. /TN

Anatoly Klepov, Rus-DX: Dear, Thomas, Congratulations on the forthcoming release of the anniversary issue of the bulletin #2000! Good luck in your future work, new readers and good health! Radio amateur 73! Anatoly, Moscow, Editor of Bulletin "Rus-DX"

Christer Brunström: Jag måste verkligen gratulera dig till bedriften att ha fortsatt SWB ända fram till utgåva nummer 2000! Det är uppenbart att intresset från svenska och nordiska DXare är obetydligt eftersom det är väldigt få som kommer med tips eller annan information. Jag har själv under perioder redigerat, tryckt och postat SWB vilket tog sin lilla tid men det var ändå ett trevligt arbete som medförde att man befann sig i "händelsernas centrum". På den tiden handlade de ju enbart om tips och information och normalt blev det bara ett blad eller två men SWB hade verkligen en enorm betydelse för alla aktiva svenska DXare. Man kan också numera konstatera att nästan inga QSL redovisas i SWB och många loggningar är gjorda via fjärrmottagare - på Göte Johanssons tid var det hemorten som gällde för att ett QSL skulle räknas!

Tore Larsson: Grattis till SWB nr 2000!

Manuel Méndez: 6010, La Voz de tu Conciencia, Puerto Lleras, received eQSL, v/s Rafael Rodríguez and pennants in 2 hours. Reception report sent to: rafaelcoldx@yahoo.com

Christer Brunström: Radio Andorra (via Roumoules) 1457 eQSL.

Lennart Weirell: Två QSL att rapportera till jubileumsutgåvan SWB nr 2000: : **SDXF/WRD via Channel 292 - 9670** e-post 10 d, **R Igloo - 6185** e-kort 8 d.

Robert Wilkner: Mosquito Coast, April 14, 2022. " Generally poor conditions on the tropical bands. Listening the BBC broadcasts to the Ukraine "



Stig Adolfsson: Ett aldrig så litet bidrag från Vallentuna. Jag skriver det på EE med tanke på våra icke-svenska läsare. Glad Påsk till dig och dina och ett stort TACK för det arbete du lägger ner på SWB, hälsar Stig Adolfsson, SA.

Two of our old members are no longer with us. BE - Börge Eriksson and SB - Stefan Bursell – RIP.



Vår älskade

Börje Eriksson

* 23 mars 1936

har i stillhet insomnat

Djurås
den 27 februari 2022

MAJ-BRITT
Mona och Niclas
Lena och Jan
Torbjörn och Helena
Barnbarn
Barnbarnsbarn
Släkt och vänner

*Du var så god, Du var så glad
Du lämnar bara vackra minnen
Så svår är ändå denna dag
Så sorgsna våra sinnen
Men tack för allt vad Du oss skänkt
Vi vet Du på oss alltid tänkt
Tack för våra lyckliga år tillsammans*

Begravningen äger rum i Mockfjärds kyrka den 1/4 kl. 13:00. Akten avslutas i kyrkan. Tänk gärna på Strokefonden pg 900530-7 Tänd ett ljus för Börje på bohmansbegravning.se

Vår gamle, trogne medlem (BE) Börge Eriksson har lämnat jordelivet.

Från en annan tidigare SWB medlem, Dag Casselbrandt, kommer detta trista besked: Vill bara meddela att Börje lämnat oss.

Jag vill minnas att han var redaktör för SWB under ett antal år. Sedan skrev han ju även en DX-spalt i Radio & Television under många år.

När det gäller hans spalt i R&T så minns jag att han fått nys om att Sven Gillsäter skulle besöka Galapagos. Börje skrev och undrade om inte Gillsäter kunde ordna några foton på, vill jag minnas, La Voz De Galapagos som han kunde använda i sin spalt. Det kom bilder, men även samt en saftig faktura från Gillsäter.

Jag jobbade för honom under några år i mitten av 70-talet.

Börje hade ett antal rullband från "storhetstiden" liggande på verkstaden där vi jobbade.

Jag var oftast först på morgonen och jag såg alltid till att kaffet var klart när chefen kom. Ofta så hade vi någon bandspelare inlämnad på verkstaden och när den väl var lagad, men inte hämtad, så "hände det att" jag laddade med ett band att lyssna till kaffet. Det var väl inte så bra för affärerna.., men jag tror att vi både satte värde på dessa långa fikastunder.

Minns Börje med glädje.

/Dag Casselbrant

Dagh, tack för de fina orden om Börge.

BE var en av förgrundsgestalterna i det som senare blev SWB och var med från starten. Hur SWB startades upp finns att läsa BE's fina jubileumsskrift SWB 40 år som utgavs 2001. 2011 fylldes på med ytterligare en jubileumsskrift, SWB 50 år, denna gång signerad TN. Som det ser ut så är det dags igen att författa SWB 60 år.

I slutet av 2019 fick jag sista mailet från honom där han berättade att han i början på året fått en stroke och inte längre var så rörlig.

BE – stort tack för alla trevliga bidrag under årens lopp och vila i frid.

/Thomas Nilsson

Till minne av Stefan Bursell 1953 - 2022

Stefan Bursell har gått bort efter en tids sjukdom. Han blev medlem i SWB i juli 1979 och presenterades så här i nr 724:



”Favoritområde är LA, vilket är speciellt för SWB-are. Stefan är passiv som DX-are – han lyssnar bara. Utrustningen består av en modifierad SPR4 med frekvenssynthes samt slagskeppet Drakarna – MSR2 med digitalavläsning. Antennerna är ett antal 1w’s på 20-60 m. Intressant är att SB som informationskälla har haft EA och DX-Radio och trots detta lyckats höra en del fina grejor.”

Stefan var mycket aktiv och hörde en massa stationer på 2a eller 3:e övertonen – företrädesvis från Brasilien. Han var ingenjör på LME (Ericsson) och byggde eller modifierade sina mottagare. Under 80-talet blev det rätt många mottagare – både Hammarlund – Collins och Drake. Han bidrog flitigt med tips till SWB och ofta med primulor. I början av 1983 debuterade Stefan

som redaktör för Shortwave Info där han samlade ihop material om nya radiostationer från många källor såsom GCI (Glenn Hauser) – DSWCI – Frendx – WRTH och individuella DX-are såsom Juan Carlos Codina – Takayuki Inoue för att bara nämna några. Det hann bli 89 nummer av SWI – det sista i september 1990.

Intresset för radio svalnade för Stefan och i slutet av 80-talet blev det satellit-dx i stället. Han inköpte en styck jätte-parabol (4 m) som installerades. Det var spännande för mig och Stefan när vi efter installation sökte efter signaler men han lyckades senare se både Brasilien och Argentina. Stefan nöjde sig inte med en parabol efterhand blev det ett 10-tal på Fin-spångsvägen! Folk som passerade huset såg alla parabolerna och 4-metaren gick inte att ta miste på. Han började nu bygga ett lokalt nät för de närmaste grannarna som efterhand blev 150 stycken som anslöt sig. Totalt var det nog 200 kanaler som sändes i nätverket.

Efter min flytt från Norrköping 2012 blev det bara sporadiska kontakter – jag besökte honom senast i oktober 2021 och då nämnde han lite om sin sjukdom – han orkade inte riktigt ta itu med och slutföra saker.

/JOE – John Ekwall

John – tack för de fina minnesorden. /Thomas

Log

(UTC)

GLENN HAUSER LOG ROUNDUPS. Please note and spread the word - for those not on a list where my almost-daily all-band but mainly SW log reports appear -- or for those who are but find this a more convenient archive, weekly merged roundups of all these reports in their original form are posted early every Thursday via: <http://www.worldofradio.com/Hauserlogs.html>

The latest ones direct: https://www.w4uvh.net/ghlogs_2022_0407_0413.txt

Previous issue: https://www.w4uvh.net/ghlogs_2022_0331_0406.txt

3250	Apr15	2046	Korean Central BC Stn., Pyongyang. Tks. 15341 (CGS)
3310	Apr10	0128	Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cotapachi, Quechua, comments. (Méndez)
3310	Apr9	2208	R.Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba. Quechua, tks. Adj. uty. QRM 24342 (CGS)
3480	Apr12	2111	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. 15341 (CGS)
3910	Apr14	2113	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. 25331 (CGS)
3930	Apr14	2115	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. 25331 (CGS)
3945	Apr6	0905	R. Vanuatu, Vanuatu; Until Apr10 (checks at 0830-0910), this was the last transmission received on 3945, 5040 or 7260; very poor (LOB).
3955	Apr10	1813	Channel 292, Rohrdorf. G, tks, mx. 35342 (CGS)
3959	Apr3	0919	R. KCBS Kanggie, Korea North; female choral. Poor but improving, fady; (in recording, some saturated audio wich is my mystake) (LOB).
3975	Apr12	2113	Shortwave Gold, Winsen. E, pops. Adj. uty. 34342 (CGS)
3985	Apr3	1524	Echo of Hope – VOH: 3985 // 4880 // 5995 (best reception) // 6245 // 6350 // 9095. Expected to hear the the usual weekend English lesson with the reading of a "Harry Potter" story, but instead the start of the audio feed, normally heard on weekdays, from a TV program called "Wang cho bo yeong-eo" (Beginner's English); intro theme song is the "Party Will Come Alive" by Wizardz Of Oz (with Ruben Martinez); the usual intro with announcer saying "English trainer" and gives his name ("Mayu"), then the woman announcer says her name ("Mini"), then they both say in English, "Good morning everybody"; today's lesson - "When will this package arrive? Three days. Do you have anything faster?" VOH still with their normal four hour program loop. Is this an anomaly or a scheduled change? (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
3985	Apr14	2117	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Gyengi-do. Kor to KRE, tks. 25342 (CGS)
3985	Apr11	1809	R.Slovakia via Shortwave Sce., Kall. G, tks on Slovakia. Occ. adj. uty. QRM. (CGS)
3995	Mar28	2250	HCJB, Weenermoor German religious hymns (AP-DNK)

3995	Apr10	0155	LifeFM, Ireland via HCJB, Weenermoor English hymns (AP-DNK)
3995	Apr13	2033	HCJB, Weenermoor. G, rlg. propag. 35342 (CGS)
4450	Apr12	2115	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. CODAR QRM. 13441 (CGS)
4500	Mar28	0040	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Mongolian talk 45434 // 6190 (QRM 6195) (AP-DNK)
4749.95	Apr3	1240	VOI, via Cimanggis/Jakarta. Clearly VOI and CNR1 (4750.0) mixed together here, along with CODAR QRM, but Bangladesh Betar seemed to only have an open carrier/test tone today. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
4750	Apr10	1813	Bangladesh Betar, Shavar, English, comments, Bangladesh songs. (Méndez)
4752	Apr1	2323	R. Huanta 2000, Peru, Huanta; music and seems ads. Poor and deteriorating over the listening, unreadable (LOB).
4760	Apr4	1625	AIR Leh , still audible but very weak and with low modulation. Cd around 1630-32 with call "Akashvani Delhi". Never heard with local programmes. Usually they are on 4759,999 kHz; however on March 22 they were transmitting on extended schedule till around 1829, featuring some Ministry hearing. At that time their QRG was 4759,997 kHz. (SA)
4765	Mar28	0025	Tajik R 1, Yangiyul Tajik folksongs by choir (AP-DNK)
4765	Apr10	-0401*	Radio Progreso, Bejucal, Cuban songs. (Méndez)
4775	Apr10	0125	Radio Tarma, Tarma, comments. (Méndez)
4840	Apr10	0130	WWCR, Nashville, TN English religious talk (AP-DNK)
4850	Mar28	0030	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Kazakh news about Xinjiang and Turkey read by man and woman 55444 // 6015 (AP-DNK)
4885	Apr10	0403	Radio Clube do Pará, Belém, "Lambada", other Brazilian songs, program "Clube da Madrugada", id. "Radio Clube, 690 AM, a poderosa". (Méndez)
4885	Apr13	0100	Radio Clube do Pará, Belém, PA with fair signal, music (Wilkner)
4885	Apr12	2131	R.Club do Pará, Belém PA. F/ball px. 35433 (CGS)
4885.05	Apr10	0135	R Clube do Pará, Belém, PA Portuguese ann, Brazilian pop songs (AP-DNK)
4885	Apr9	1846	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Nowong-gu. Kor to KRE, tks. Jammed. 24342 (CGS)
4890	Apr12	2129	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Nowong-gu. Kor to KRE, tks. Jammed. 23341 (CGS)
4940	Apr9	0407	Fuerza de Paz, religious songs and comments, at 0640 program "Lecciones de la Historia Colombiana". (Méndez)
4940	Apr8	0340	Fuerza se Paz, Arauca, M in Sp, apparent relig talk, fair (XM)
4965	Apr9	1848	Voice Of Hope, Makeni Ranch. E, rlg. propag., mx, anns., fq anns. 35434 (CGS)
4980	Mar28	0045	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Uighur talk with musical interludes, QRM WRMI in English, // 3990, 6120 and 7205 (AP-DNK)
4980	Apr8	0325	WRMI Okeechobee, Overcomer Ministry two former Brother Stair minions reading letters from desperate listeners seeking help or at least comfort from this cult. At 0408 another cult, Supreme Master TV, with headquarters in Taiwan went from EG to CH program. (XM)
4980	Apr10	0140	WRMI, Okeechobee, FL English talk about security guard (AP-DNK)
5020	Apr5	1409	SIBC, with extended broadcast; from 1409 till tuned out at 1445, with non-stop pop music; never any announcers; poor reception. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
5020	Apr10	1027	SIBC, Honiara, strong carrier, seemed on the verge of producing some audio (XM)
5025	Apr10	0145	R Rebelde, Bauta speech heavy CWQRM in AM - best heard in USB (AP-DNK)
5040	Mar19	0859	R. Vanuatu, Vanuatu; island music, ToH male announcements, music as bridge to female "R. Vanuatu", music. Poor to fair (LOB).
5055	Mar28	0851	4KZ, Austrália; music selections, male and female TOH announcements. At 0851 extremely poor but at 0905 reached the best signal (LOB).
5060	Mar28	0050	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Chinese interview // 3950 and 5960 (AP-DNK)
5085	Apr10	0150	WTWW, Lebanon, TN English talk with songs (AP-DNK)
5915	Apr5	1238	Myanmar Radio . Very good news here! Today heard in the clear from 1238 till 1400* UT; no longer with CRI blocking this frequency ; NOT // 5985. From 1316+, segment with listeners calling in to request pop Burmese songs; at 1400, went off with the usual brief indigenous music. Today had overall poor propagation, so we should do much better on a day with good conditions. A real treat to finally catch this with no CRI QRM !! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
5915	Apr13	1840	ZNBC-R. 1, Lusaka. Vn, tks. Adj. QRM. 33442 (CGS)
5920	Mar28	-1930*	HCJB, Weenermoor German religious talk <u>New schedule</u> CWQRM in AM (AP-DNK)
5938.7	Apr13	2037	R.Voz Missionária, Camboriú SC. Rlg. propag., mx background. 35433 (CGS)
5955	Apr10	0620	Unknown, non stop pop and rock songs in English. Checked with Sunlite Radio streaming, the program did not match. I contacted via email with Sunlite Radio and in a few minutes I had the answer: "It's not Sunlite but it is the same transmitter that was broadcasting Sunlite for months, but now coming from another location. In the meantime a new transmitter is being build for Sunlite and the signal will be back on 5955 within a few weeks. Regards." (Méndez)

5980	Apr2	1610	Scandinavian Weekend R, Virrat Finnish talk, hymns // 11720 (AP-DNK)
5980	Apr6	2115	OZ-Viola, Hillerød, via groundwave English/Danish ann, Jazz (AP-DNK)
5995	Apr9	1847	Radio Mali, Bamako, African songs, French, comments, at 1853 “English Magazine”, news and comments about Mali in English, at 1907 African songs. (Méndez)
6010	Apr8	0705	“6010 Apr7 at 0700 - JBA signal in Spanish? Yes, later April 7 at 2230, Rafael Rodríguez reported it reactivated after a long time with preaching by Stendal, NA at 2300; and RR is the 100% e-QSL manager to rafaelcoldx@yahoo.com ” Heard LVC again, better S8/S9 with song in Spanish. No, nothing on 5910, its former sibling station, Alcaraván Radio. Might that revive too from Puerto Lleras? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
6010	Apr9	0528	La Voz de tu Conciencia, Puerto Lleras, id. “ info@fuerzadepaz.com , “La Voz de tu Conciencia”, religious songs, program “Tu Historia Preferida”. Apr10, checked from 0350 to 0653, no signal, seems to be out of the air. (Méndez)
6010	Apr14	2121	R.Inconfidência, Belo Horizonte MG. Folk mx in px A Hora do Fazendeiro. // 15189.923 rtd. 15341 (CGS)
6017	Apr4	0057	UNID. Heard a station likely from Colombia with a song and the Colombian National Anthem. Poor to fair signal here into Upstate New York. Signal gone at 0102. Any Ideas? (Bill Harms, Walworth, New York.)
6017.2	Apr6	-0344*	UNID (Colombia?). Thanks to Bill Harms (New York) for the tip about a possible pirate. Heard on 6017.20 , from 0333 till cut off in mid-song at 0344*; signal slowly improving the whole time; non-stop LA ballads; never heard any announcers; poor reception. Fortunately no signal today was heard from Zanzibar on 6015. My audio is at http://bit.ly/3NQv56t . Compare that audio to this one also recorded today from the presumed Colombian on 4940 kHz. - http://bit.ly/3uW1wYs . (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
6020	Apr9	1731	Radio Delta International, Elburg, pop songs in English, oldies, id. “Radio Delta International”, at 1800 announcing “The Finish Hour”. (Méndez)
6030	Apr9	1825	Radio Oromiya, Addis Ababa, East African songs, Vernacular, comments. (Méndez)
6050	Apr3	1310	CRI. First time I have heard this here; in Russian; totally blocking reception of Tibet (PBS Xizang), which is also on 6050. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
6050	Apr10	0341	HCJB, Pichincha, Spanish, comments, id. “HCJB”, songs. At 0358 eclipsed by Algeria on the same frequency. (Méndez)
6050	Apr10	0617	ELWA Radio, Monrovia, English, religious comments and songs. (Méndez)
6070	Apr6	0945	Channel 292, Rohrbach German ann, hymns (AP-DNK)
6070	Apr10	0342	CFRX, Toronto, 0342, news, comments, strong QRM from Channel 292. (Méndez)
6070	Apr7	2310	CFRX Toronto News and announcements. (Wilkner)
6085	Apr6	0950	R Mi Amigo International, Kall-Krekel English ann, pop songs (AP-DNK)
6090	Apr9	1827	Voice of Amhara State, Addis Ababa, East African songs, comments. (Méndez)
6090	Apr8	0311	Voice of Amhara State, Geja Jewa M in talk, apparent local language, very weak signal with QRN (XM)
6105	Apr8	0308	Issoudun, relay of NHK World, M in JP news or commentary, 0320 into very nice musical program, good signal (XM)
6110	Apr8	0405	Radio Fana Addis Ababa, unintelligible threshold level signal (XM)
6120	Apr12	1610	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Uighur talk // 7205 (AP-DNK)
6140	Apr9	1502	Radio Onda, Borculo, songs, oldies, song “Rose Garden” by Lynn Anderson, id. “Radio Onda”, song “Get Back” by The Beatles. (Méndez)
6150	Apr6	0955	Europa 24, Datteln English ann, pop songs (AP-DNK)
6180	Apr9	2038	Radio Nacional da Amazonia, Brasília, Brazilian songs. // 11780. (Méndez)
6185	Apr9	0407	Radio Educación, Ciudad de México, comments, “Una producción de Radio Educación”, songs, classical music. (Méndez)
6185	Apr8	0510	Radio Educacion, 0510, musical program in progress, SP ballads (XM)
6185	Apr10	0420	Radio Educación, México D. F. weak signal in Spanish om, tnx XM. (Wilkner)
6250	Apr9	2048	R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks, mx. QRM de jammer + uty. stn. 34433 (CGS)
6255	Apr11	1803	R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks. 25342 (CGS)
6370.1	Apr10	2006	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25342 (CGS)
6520	Apr11	1807	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks, mx. Jammed. 24341 (CGS)
6600	Apr11	1805	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks, mx. Jammed. 23341 (CGS)
7110	Apr5	-1458*	Radio Ethiopia (Home Service), cut off mid-HOA music at no closing ID or gongs. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
7110	Apr10	*0400-	Radio Ethopia, Addis Ababa, Vernacular, comments. (Méndez)
7140	Apr10	0355	Voice of Broad Masses, Asmara, Vernacular, comments, East African songs. Ham QRM. (Méndez)

7200	Apr3	1444	(ex: 6115), National Unity Radio . Good reception. Last month, on 6115, checked for their usual language lessons that had often been heard in the past, but seems they have dropped them now. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
7220	Apr9	1632	Voice of Vietnam, Hanoi, French, comments. (Méndez)
7245	Apr9	1659	Voice of Tajik, Dushanbe, Tajik, comments, music, songs. (Méndez)
7260	Apr4	1045	R. Vanuatu. Fairly readable; weather info for tropical low first given in English and repeated again in Bislama: "Information Number 2 on tropical low issued by the Vanuatu Meteorology and Geo-Hazards Department, Port Vila at 6:48 pm local time, Monday, 4 April 2022. At 5:00 pm local time, the tropical low (998hPa) was located near 16.4S 162.7E. The tropical low is positioned near the center right of square letter C, number 7 (C,7) in the Vanuatu tropical cyclone tracking map. This is about 505 km west of Malekula [second largest island in Vanuatu - Ron]. In the past 12 hours, the system was moving in a west, south westerly direction at 17 km/hr. The potential for the system to develop into a tropical cyclone and move towards Vanuatu in the next 12 to 24 hours remains low to moderate. At this stage, the tropical low does not pose any significant threat yet to the islands of Vanuatu. However, isolated heavy rainfalls are expected over parts of the Northern and Central Islands of Vanuatu. Possible flash flooding is expected over low-lying areas and areas close to the river banks, including coastal flooding. People in these areas are advised to take extra precautions. Vanuatu Meteorology and Geo-Hazards Department is closely monitoring the system and will issue the next information at 6:00 am tomorrow or earlier if the situation changes. People over Northern and Central Islands are advised to listen to Radio Vanuatu and other radio outlets to get updated information on this system. This Information bulletin is also available on VMGD's website: www.vmgd.gov.vu and on its facebook page: www.facebook.com/vmgd.gov.vu . You can also call VMGD's free toll number 116 to get the same information." 1050 UT: Religious program in Bislama with some English words ("Thank you for this opportunity . . . We the people of Vanuatu . . ."; audio ended at 1101, after the National Anthem; then dead air/open carrier. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
7260	Apr13	0524	Vanuatu back on 7260kHz at 0524ut, 13/04; island music, good signal but ham qrm. At 0600 they changed to 3945kHz, but only 7890 and 11835 listenable. (LOB)
7365	Apr10	1520	Radio HCJB Deutschland with its broadcast in Russian to Eastern Europe with what must have been reading from a book. 3 (CB)
7475	Apr9	1622	Radio Liberty, Kuwait, Tajik, comments and songs // 11850. (Méndez)
7810.1	Apr9	2102	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 15341 (CGS)
7890	Apr6	-1101*	(2nd harmonic), Radio Vanuatu, 0944-1101*. Thanks very much to Lucio Otavio Bobrowiec (Brazil) for the timely alert of the change of frequency (ex: 7260); segment of phone conversations; variety of music (pop island songs, as well as some in English [Gloria Gaynor - "I Will Survive," Shakira - "Waka Waka - This Time for Africa," etc.]; 1001-1006, news in Bislama; distinctive station's singing jingle with IDs for "Radio Vanuatu" and "Voice of Papua New Guinea"; 1045, start of religious segment (songs and preaching); 1100-1101, National Anthem, then open carrier/dead air. 7890 always had the best reception, even with some QRM of pulsating noise; 3945 was mostly unusable; 11835 (3rd harmonic) was poor to very poor; 15780 (4th harmonic) was not heard. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
9105	Apr13	2039	R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks; E at 2050, nx. 35433 (CGS)
9440	Apr9	2130	Radio Cairo with News in Brief (which for once could be understood but audio quality remains extremnely bad) 4 (CB)
9550.1	Apr15	2040	R.Boa Vontade, Pt.º Alegre RS. Rlgs. propag., rlg. mx. 35433 (CGS)
9630	Apr10	1335	CNR 17, Lingshi Kazakh songs (AP-DNK)
9667	Apr10	0445	Voz Missionária with music and announcemets. (CB)
9670	Apr10	1615	Radio Tumbril (via Channel 292) with Encore, an hour of classical music. 3 (CB)
9670	Apr15	2000	Echo STHML (via Channel 292 in Germany) is now a daily one-hour programme in Russian and Ukrainian. 3 (CB)
9675	Apr8	0420	Radio del Pacifico, Peru; male spanish preacher "...estamos orando por Dios...los sacerdotes...ay unas fuersas terribles...vamos levantar las manos...la relacion con Dios...". Fair (LOB).
9666.9	Apr10	0920	R.Voz Missionária, Camboriú SC. Songs. 25341 (CGS)
9700	Apr10	1042	R.NZPacific, Rangitaiki. E, home politics, nx. 35443 (CGS)
9818.7	Apr11	1833	R. 9 de Julho, São Paulo SP. Tks. 15331 (CGS)

11620	Apr15	1503	Voice of Martyrs – Korea with TV preacher lecturing as if to children, taking The Trinity as a given in total self-assuredness, S9+10/20 into Perth, better than Kuwait or UTwente gets the sacred* site; 1525 fading down to S6/S9, 1529 wrapping up with email and off. Soon replaced by *1530 Vatican Radio in Arabic, much stronger S9/+15 into UTwente. {*typo: did I mean secret instead of sacred? I may have coined a new term!} (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
11665	Apr3	1340	Wai FM. Timm Breyel (Malaysia) has informed me that the indigenous chanting I often hear, as I did today, is probably in one of the dialects spoken in Sabah, and possibly their prayers and is not Islamic; Wai FM continues to have poor audio (over modulated?). Sarawak FM (9835) continues to be off the air. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
11710	Apr12	1620	Voice of China, Beijing Chinese talks and opera songs // 4800 (AP-DNK)
11780	Apr4	2003	Radio Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia, id. "Radio Nacional da Amazonia, ondas curtas, 11780 kHz, 6180 kHz., emissora da Rede Brasil de Comunicação", Brazilian songs, comments. (Méndez)
11815.1	Apr13	2100	R.Brasil Central, Goiânia GO. Empty carrier. Adj. QRM. 34443 (CGS)
11835	Apr13	0700	(3rd harmonic), Radio Vanuatu. Thanks very much to Lucio Otavio Bobrowiec (Brazil) for the early alert, which motivated me to go to the beach early today to catch some nice island music; // 7890 (2nd harmonic) also being heard at about the same level; QRN (static); while 3945 was unusable and for much of the time covered by hams. A few highlights: 0701-0714: News/sports/weather in Bislama (lead-off story pertaining to the 2015 suspended sentence for former Finance Minister, and former member of Parliament, Willie Jimmy and mentioned he was banned from holding public office for ten years; at times fairly readable (my brief audio attached). 0719: A Celine Dion song. 0730-0742: Language lesson all in English; "We will talk about how to write . . . Here is what we need to do . . .". This is the first time that I have heard this program. 0915-0958: Listener's calling in to chat (Bislama). 1000: News in Bislama. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
11850	Apr9	1624	Radio Liberty, Dhabbaya, Tajik, comments, songs. // 7475. (Méndez)
11879.971	Apr10	1456	off-frequency open carrier; 1458 music box IS and ID ``TWR from Eswátini``, twice or thrice, 1500 into African language, music. Note how they pronounce the country, stress on the A just like in Swáziland, not Eswatíni as I and others had been guessing. They should know. Somali scheduled 1500-1530, plus another 15 until 1545 on Sundays. This hour is squeezed between Romania's and China's 11880 usage. I would not be surprised if it's long-path (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
15189.9	Apr10	0933	Radio Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte, Brazilian songs, comments. (Méndez)
15340	Apr8	1730	neue Station für Tigray: Radio Axumite, 15340 kHz 1730 – 1745. Am 8.4 erstmals gehört, Ansage und Sendeschema passte zu keinem der üblichen Target Transmissions. Gestern gelang mir eine halbwegs brauchbare mp3 Aufnahme, der Sender ist seit 9.4. gejammt. Dies ist eine neue Station der Axumite Media, zu finden unter axumitemedia.com. In 2021 wurde bis Oktober die Plattform von Radio Wegahat Tigray genutzt. Background des Teams sind geflüchtete Journalisten aus Äthiopien mit Sitz in Kenya. Ein 'BIG THANK YOU' gilt hier Tony Rogers vom BDXC-UK mit dem ich hier diverse Mails / Files ausgetauscht hatte und der die ID mit dem Weblink treffsicher fand! Die Station wird dort nun auch im Africa DX Guide erscheinen. (Wolfgang von Pöllnitz via A-DX)
15700	Apr9	1710	World Music Radio, Randers, Spanish and Latin American songs, pop songs in English. Strong fading, audible at times. (Méndez)
17730	Apr14	1225	Mizzima finally heard via Dubai with S20 signal. Poor in Hungary. Also good in my village with max levels close to CRI time around 1225 Program in Bamar with mostly talks (Liangas)

Pirate stations

3920	Apr15	2048	R.Batavia - pir. Pops, mx oldies. 35433 (CGS)
3940	Apr9	2045	R.Free Waves Bay - pir. Ru, tks, pops. 35433 (CGS)
4870	Apr10	1815	Mystery R 21 - pir. Mx. Adj. uty. QRM. 34443 (CGS)
4875	Apr14	2119	Mystery R 21 - pir. Pops. 35443 (CGS)
4880	Apr12	2127	Mystery R 21 - pir. Pop mx. 35443 (CGS)
5135	Apr13	-1838*	Charleston R Int'l. - pir. Oldies. QSY 5140 at 1838, & rtd. 35343 at 2040. 15341 (CGS)
5140	Apr9	1900	Charleston R Int'l. - pir. Oldies. 35343 (CGS)
6175	Apr9	-1835*	R.Jong Europa (t) - pir. Pops, unk. anthem at 1832, more pops. T-ID via DX press. (CGS)
6265.9	Apr15	2038	Valley Wave R (t) - pir. Pops. T-ID via DX press. 25331 (CGS)
6280	Apr10	1807	R.Joey - pir. Pops, Dutch songs. 35443 (CGS)

6280.1	Apr14	1655	Continental R - pir. Songs, pops, Austrian folk songs, Dutch songs. Improving. (CGS)
6334.8	Apr10	1809	R.Clash - pir. E, tks, pops. ID via DX press. 25342 (CGS)
6375.8	Apr9	1816	R.Clash - pir. Pops. ID via DX press. 25432 (CGS)
6377	Apr10	2018	Offshore Music R (t) - pir. Pops. 35443 (CGS)
6885	Apr15	1846	R.Pandora - pir. Mx. ID via DX press. 25331 (CGS)
6931	Apr13	1708	Indy R (E stn) via UnID - pir. Empty carrier. Improving, rtd. 35443 at 1820 still running an empty carrier. 35343 (CGS)
6939.9	Apr9	1820	R.Nova - pir. Oldies. Occ. USB QRM de A speak. stns. ID via DX press. 35433 (CGS)
6945	Apr10	1811	R.The Vault - pir. E, pops. 35443 (CGS)
6950	Apr12	2135	R.The Vault - pir. E, songs. 35443 (CGS)
6954.9	Apr13	1704	Zeppelin R (p), Athina - pir. Mx. Improving, rtd. 35342 at 1815 25342 (CGS)
6970	Apr9	1818	R.Tango Italia (p) - pir. Tangos. 35443 (CGS)
10230	Apr15	2043	R.Cidade (p) - pir. Mx. 35332 (CGS)

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Station news

COLOMBIA. Am very grateful to Rafael for his informative comments about the pirate station on 6017.2 kHz. /Ron Howard.

"Greetings from Colombia, yes the signal on 6017,20 kHz it`s a Colombian pirate station identified as "Organización Radial El Prado." They have been operating irregularly for a year, always with long musical sessions without announcers, they don't even report TC.

It has an irregular schedule opening around 2230 or 2330 UTC and closing 0200 or 0300 UTC even later. It is not every day, sometimes during the week days and other times only Fridays and Saturdays. I heard an identification a couple of months ago, then there hasn't been much talk, it's called "Organización Radial" because it mentioned operating two signal more, on 88.1 MHz as Prado Stereo and 98.1 MHz as Musical Stereo, I guess also without an operating license. It seems to be transmitting from the municipality of Palermo in the department of Magdalena, although very close to the cities of Soledad and Barranquilla in the department of Atlantico, where I think they direct their broadcasts. They have been very careful not to mention any means of contact. the signal has moved from 6016.3 to 6017.2 KHz for which it has come out late.

Rafael Rodriguez R. Bogotá D.C. - COLOMBIA"

(Ron Howard via WOR)

DENMARK: Radio OZ-Viola is a small low power legal hobby AM radio station broadcasting from Hillerød, Denmark, on short wave **6055 kHz**. In the weekends and Wednesdays night on **5980 kHz**. (both in the 49 meter band). We transmit mainly during weekends from 13:00 to 15:00 and Wednesdays from 23:00 to 0:00 both CET (CEST). You are welcome to write to us - maybe including an audio recording - to 'jansteendk (a) hotmail.com ' and you will get an E-QSL card from us. You can also contact us via Facebook. Here you will also find the latest info. <https://ozviola.dk/Links.html> **Music in the air from a legal radio station from Denmark..**

Licens number: (DK) H102040 - 1 .. Best 73s, Jan, Radio OZ-Viola. [Viola1 \(ozviola.dk\)](https://ozviola.dk)

(Kari Kallio via NORDX)

ETHIOPIA [non]. 15340, April 13 at *1729.5, carrier on vs CNR co-channel as heard from 1725 tune-in; 1730 starts talking in unID language, as monitored via UTwente; 1740 some Horn-of-Africa music and off at 1744* re-uncovering China. Meanwhile there was a lot of ACI from much stronger but dead Brother Scare from Bulgaria on 15335. I never heard any ID but this is it, from Tony Rogers in the British DX Club:

``Thanks to a recording sent to me by Wolfgang von Poellnitz in Austria, a target broadcast to Ethiopia has been identified as "Radio Axumite" on 15340 kHz at 1730-1745 UT. Further investigation by Wolfgang and myself indicates that this is produced by Axumite Media: <https://axumitemedia.com/>

Their profile says "Axumite Media Ltd is an independent media organisation based in Nairobi-Kenya, with a radio and online presence and aspiring to be on satellite TV soon. Axumite is established by visionary journalists and media

professionals who fled Ethiopia due to the ongoing genocidal war in the country, ethnic profiling, a total lack of media freedom, and communication blackout in Tigray, one of the regional states in Ethiopia. All of the journalists working at Axumite Media Ltd have horror personal stories and difficult times to remember; escaped arrest and persecution, and most of them were working in media institutions in Addis Ababa and Tigray."

<https://axumitemedia.com/profile/> [for lots more]``

So I still wonder how in the world they pronounce Axumite. Obviously this is pro-Tigray; site on 15340? Not in HFCC or EiBi, while Aoki shows a Tig cland just before this which was not to be heard:

15340 1700-1730 F	Dimtse Wegahta (V. of Dawn)	Tig Issoudun	1-7
15340 0000-1703 TWN	* SOH relay RFA	Chi Pingtung	1-7

However, EiBi indicates SOH could be 24h on 15340, but with ChiCom jamming stopping at 1700 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

Other radio news

[WOR] Fw: [bdxc-news] Ukraine's battle of the airwaves Is 22-minute audio-video. Glenn Hauser.

Click on the link: <https://next-media-api.ft.com/renditions/16493343397630/1280x720.mp4>

Ukraine's battle of the airwaves | Financial Times: <https://www.ft.com/video/4adad9c9-151b-4448-8547-908b49d74fde>

A look at three aspects of wartime radio in Ukraine: the interception of communications between Russian soldiers, how broadcasters are using radio to combat censorship online, and the mysterious silence of a radio transmitter known as 'The Russian Lady'

(Nick Sharpe, bdxc-news via WOR)

[WOR] File /Music on Shortwave A22 (v1).pdf uploaded #file-notice

The following files and folders have been uploaded to the Files area of the WOR@groups.io group.

- [/Music on Shortwave A22 \(v1\).pdf](#)

Description:

I have now uploaded my "Music Programmes on Shortwave" PDF file for the current A-22 broadcast season to the files section of this IO mail list. I hope that you find it of interest. As always, I appreciate any updates or corrections. Alan Roe, Teddington, UK <alan-roe-sw1@randa33.co.uk>

Radio jamming in the USSR. In Russian.

A bit from the history of radio jamming in the USSR - https://signalwave.blogspot.com/p/blog-page_63.html

(<https://signalwave.blogspot.com/>)

(RUS-DX # 1181)

[WOR] EDXC Conference, Bucharest, canceled

Dear friends, regretfully, we have needed to take the decision to cancel the EDXC Conference scheduled for May in Bucharest.

With just a few weeks to go, there were not enough delegates signed up to make it viable to hold a conference. This is, perhaps, understandable with people concerned about travel due to Covid-19, plus the war in neighbouring Ukraine.

We will arrange another Zoom meeting for EDXC members and the wider DX community, with speakers, in a few months time.

In the meantime, some good news in that EDXC co-founder Anker Petersen has published the latest Trends in tropical bands broadcasting and Domestic Broadcasting Survey.

Anker writes: "Since the Danish Short Wave Club International published the first annual Tropical Bands Survey in 1973, I have registered which stations are active, based upon loggings from our members and other DXers around the world. Here is an updated status outside Europe and North America, where Clandestine and Pirate stations are not included."

Both of the documents are available at the DSWCI website, to study and enjoy. Click on the two blue boxes on the left side of the website for the current versions, and also to look back over previous versions. <http://www.dswci.org>

Best wishes, Chrissy Brand and Christian Ghibaudo, EDXC <https://edxcnews.wordpress.com>

(April 11, via Richard Lemke, AB)

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"[List of SWL/Media Programmes in English, German and Spanish](#)" for the A22 period (27.03.2022 - 29.10.2022) in PDF format (Adobe Reader), compiled by our Top News Editor Wolfgang Büschel

Direct link: <https://www.wwdxc.de/swl.pdf>

[nordx] Channel 292

Som de flesta av er känner till producerar Bahnhof förinspelade program på ryska till Ryssland från en studio i Stockholm som sedan sänds via Channel 292 (samma station som SDXF använder). Stationen är en doldis.

Här finns bilder och detaljer för de radiointresserade.

<https://www.hamnews.se/2022/04/08/am-9670-khz-channel-292bahnhofs-radiokanal-till-ryssland/>

(Lennart Deimert via NORDX)

VEF 204. Back in USSR.

Video - https://vk.com/club206578745?z=video-206578745_456239266%2F847e17b0b65ea1cc73%2Fpl_wall_-206578745 <https://youtu.be/kEQ8QBvpZN4>

One of the best receivers of the last century. With him we first heard radio stations from all over the world, the best music of those times. The call signs of the stations were memorized like a multiplication table, marks were made on the scale with "voices" that jammed and which they still listened to. The VEF-204 had "secret" bands that were always clean, but not everyone could afford this radio. They were sent for export. Dreams Come True!!!

(Valentin Glushchenko, Bataysk, Russia / <https://vk.com/club206578745>)

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VEF 204 is already in my collection. I finished the preventive maintenance, installed an additional jack for connecting an external antenna and installed a second local oscillator board for receiving in single-sideband modulation.

https://vk.com/radioreceiver?w=wall-163779953_62377%2Fall

(Valentin Glushchenko, Bataysk, Russia / <https://vk.com/radioreceiver>)

(RUS-DX # 1180)

Radio advertising market in 2022. Reaction to change.

AdIndex has calculated how a possible withdrawal of a number of foreign companies from the domestic market may affect the Russian radio advertising market. Adindex calculated the total market volume based on its own estimate of the cost of advertising placements on the radio using Mediascope monitoring data, which records the release of commercials on the radio. The market volume in 2021, according to AdIndex, amounted to 14.099 billion rubles. For calculations, budgets were considered for network advertising, as well as local outlets in Moscow and St. Petersburg ...

Details in Russian - https://onair.ru/main/enews/view_msg/NMID_82730/

(OnAir.ru)

(RUS-DX # 1180)

The most mysterious radio station UVB-76 + Several recordings of negotiations.

The most mysterious HF frequency UVB-76, or who and why gives a strange signal on the air, which has been disturbing people for almost half a century. Station spy or ghost radio! Here is an interesting video on the subject.

Video in Russian - 10:10

https://vk.com/radioitv?z=video-90495469_456240008%2Fb8cfa5848308606ce1%2Fpl_post_-90495469_13555

<https://youtu.be/2SZ1vQPq9ns>

(Dima Kolyadenkov, Saransk, Russia. <https://vk.com/radioitv>)

(RUS-DX # 1180)

[WOR] Wireless Podcast April edition



The April 2022 edition of the Wireless Podcast looks at the shortwave radio spectrum, considers its importance in the past and continued relevance in a digital world.

Founder of the SWLing blog Thomas Witherspoon K4SWL discusses the historical development of shortwave, including its heyday during the Cold War, and explains how it continues to be used today, for instance to evade Russian internet censorship during the Ukrainian war.

The programme also remembers Irish pirate shortwave operators of the 1980s as featured on the site Pirate.ie < <https://pirate.ie/archive/> >. Listen to the Wireless podcast at: <https://wirelessflirt.radio.ie/2022/04/04/programme-60-april-2022/>

(via Southgate Amateur Radio News)

(Mike Terry via WOR)

[WOR] Hearing aids and DXing

<https://groups.io/g/IRCA/topic/90227910>

(Glenn Hauser via WOR)

[WOR] Scrambled radio transmissions

Yesterday's storm geomagnetic storm scrambled HF radio transmissions. Jim Falls (K6FWT) of Eureka, CA, reports: "I'm a new subscriber to Space Weather Alerts, and it has already paid for itself! When the geomagnetic storm alert arrived, I went out to my Ham Shack and listened to Morse code and digital signals in the 80 meter band fighting their way through the storm. They have a particular warbly sound distinctive of trans-aurora propagation; some say it sounds like it's bubbling up through water. <https://www.spaceweather.com/> (Mike Terry via WOR)

Mike WU2D Looks at the "Dream" SW Receivers of the 1960s and 70s (Video)



<https://youtu.be/UDQpfBCh1zU>

Wow, I really liked Mike's walk down memory lane. I saw several of my own dream receivers.

Thanks Mike — that was a lot of fun.

See also: <https://soldersmoke.blogspot.com/2022/03/mike-wu2d-looks-at-dream-receivers-of.html>

(Via SWLing Post)

[WOR] Falkland Islands Broadcasting Service April 2 1982 recording

Jonathan Marks uploaded this yesterday:

I am gradually sorting out my off-air radio cassette collection. I realise that if I don't do it now, I will never get around to it. But I also realise that a lot of off-air recordings are disappearing, especially once the radio programme is made, and very few people keep the original interview or recordings. For some reason, I did. And 40 years later I am so glad I didn't throw things away. Today, I'm sharing an off-air recording of the Falklands Island Broadcasting Station during the Argentine invasion of April 2nd 1982. There are a few places where Patrick Watts, the station manager stops the tape. And in the end, it sounds to me as if the batteries are failing. But you tell me, you can't throw something like this away, can you?

Available for streaming or download at: <https://jonathanmarks.libsyn.com/media-network-off-air-collection-april-2-82> (Mike Barraclough via WOR)

Shortwave radio proves simple, powerful — and necessary

by [Ruxandra Obreja](#)

An interesting article. <https://www.redtech.pro/shortwave-radio-proves-simple-powerful-and-necessary/>

(Mike Terry via WOR)



[WOR] Why Reviving Shortwave is a Non-Starter



A commentary on why calling for a shortwave revival is "wishful thinking"

<https://www.radioworld.com/columns-and-views/guest-commentaries/why-reviving-shortwave-is-a-non-starter>

(Dan Robinson via WOR)

It would seem that this analysis, and an accurate one IMHO, will in due time apply to all radio, not just SW. MW faces the same existential threat as does (in a longer time frame), FM. I can't remember the last time I listened to either MW or FM locally - who wants to be assaulted by endless mindless ads on commercial radio when the Internet provides ad-free entertainment galore through an endless supply of sources. However, after an Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) attack, there will be no Internet, only chaos and psychological trauma and information will become more valuable than money. At this point, radio (most likely amateur radio, which should never lose relevance) will again become relevant.

Good article, if not good news for the hobby!

(Bruce Churchill via WOR)

The piece by Mr. Robinson and Perron is a "commentary" and of course, everyone is entitled to an opinion. Just to point out though that these are two people who did work in the shortwave world, but no longer do.

I'd ask anyone to do a search for "shortwave radios" on any Internet marketplace site and you'll see more companies and models than you could shake a stick at. There are more new models being released at a rate we have not seen for

many years. And many of the radio are not low-grade, inexpensive models. Some of the latest technology has been incorporated into these radios.

Notice that the commentators make no mention of the upswing in the production of shortwave receivers. Why would the companies be manufacturing them if no one was buying them. There was a recent statement from Tecsun, from their Australian office, that quoted annual sales of a million-plus radios per year. Who are the people that are purchasing them and where are they located.

A search on Facebook for the word "shortwave" for example will yield literally dozens of active groups of users of shortwave radios, literally spread throughout the world. Many of these groups have memberships of well over 1,000 members each, with some reaching 5-figure memberships. These people are not just hobbyists, QSL hunters, DXers, etc. One could use the analogy that everyone who owns a camera does become a member of a photography club or group; same goes for shortwave listeners. Many of them don't have dependable Internet service to even become members of these online groups.

Interesting as well that there is no mention in the commentary about the amount of money still being spent by the U.S. government on services like Radio Marti to Cuba; RFE/RL, Radio Free Asia, etc. which are all using shortwave. So is all of the money on these services simply being wasted because there are no shortwave radios out there and that no one is listening? I'm sure the American public, who are ignorant as to how their tax dollars are being spent, would question why money is being spent on what some believe is totally ineffective and obsolete.

Ask the Chinese Government what they think about the viability of shortwave broadcasting.

Why would several international shortwave broadcasters who lost their government funding choose to spend some of the little money they may have to purchase airtime on independent shortwave transmitters in places like the USA, Germany, France and other locations. Why would they bother if no one was listening?

There always have been two categories of shortwave listeners; the DXer who simply chases the rare and weak signals and hopes to add a trophy (QSL card) to their collection. They are the ones, for the most part, who could care less about the reason for the shortwave broadcast or the content of the programme.

Then there is the shortwave listener; the person who listens because they want to hear what the broadcasters are saying. Be it news, information, commentary, cultural content, what have you. They are the true user that the broadcasters are targeting.

Sadly, for the most part, the governments who in most cases fund the international broadcasters, seem to have little understanding of the reach and impact that these broadcast may have outside of their national borders.

There is no such better example of that than right here in Canada where the government relinquished control of Radio Canada International to the French language domestic service of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, Radio-Canada. The domestic service management targeted RCI with "death by a thousand paper cuts", diminishing it to a little used, Internet only based service whose content is basically nothing more than translated English and French domestic news into a few foreign languages. Requests for statistics on just how many people are paying any attention to these online only programs have not been provided.

Internet, live streaming, digital broadcasting, podcasts, on and on and on; hundreds of ways to access information...as long as you can get to it, effectively, efficiently, dependably and affordably. All pretty simple and wonderful, for those who can. For those who can't, isn't a technology that works the same way today as it did when people like Marconi, Fessenden, Armstrong and others did a century or more ago, a pretty go thing to have around?

Turn on your radio...and listen. There has never been any truly accurate way to come up with audience numbers for the medium that the commentary authors feel is a dinosaur. So, to those million or so people out there buying shortwave radios around the world....don't waste your money or your time. The authors of the commentary don't believe it's worth it.

To the Ukrainians going through immeasurable suffering, and to the Russian people being fed misinformation through your local media, there are people and broadcasters out there speaking to you. Thank them for their efforts and appreciate that they feel it is important enough to try to get these broadcasts out to you.

Sheldon Harvey, President, Canadian International DX Club, www.cidxclub.ca
(via WOR)

[WOR] CIDX Messenger items, April

In This Issue: We have a big 86 page issue this month. World of Utilities looks at maritime stations in north-western Europe. Not just listening has a documentary on the history of radio, plus a video about how SDRs work. Uncle Skip takes a look at two books: Grounding and Bonding from ARRL and McIntosh-For the Love of Music. Technical Topics has a review of the Malahite DSP-SDR.

Ham Radio Muse & News has 11 full pages of amateur news and What's News had 12 pages of headline stories. All this & more!

Enjoy.

Editor: Sheldon Harvey

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Trends in tropical bands broadcasting 2022

by Anker Petersen

Since the Danish Short Wave Club International published the first annual Tropical Bands Survey in 1973, I have registered which stations are active, based upon loggings from our members and other DX-ers around the world. Here is an updated status outside Europe and North America, where Clandestine and Pirate stations are not included.

Active domestic transmitters on 2200 – 5800 kHz

Region	1973	1985	1997	2009	2022
Central Africa	102	76	40	18	2
Southern Africa	57	39	33	20	5
Middle East	9	4	1	0	0
Indian Subcontinent	62	45	45	29	1
South East Asia	40	29	21	4	1
Indonesia	171	105	65	13	2
China, Taiwan, Mongolia	119	110	75	32	19
CIS (former USSR)	61	59	47	7	3
Far East	38	28	28	9	7
Papua New Guinea	17	20	20	15	0
Australia and other Pacific	10	4	13	8	9
Central America, Mexico	21	23	24	5	0
Caribbean	29	3	3	2	3
Northwestern South America	98	41	19	3	1
Ecuador	47	33	22	5	0
Peru	78	69	78	28	5
Bolivia	35	42	25	14	1
Brazil	107	87	67	35	7
Southern South America	5	2	1	0	0
Total	1106	819	627	247	66

During the past year the previous trend, that Tropical stations slowly disappear, continued throughout the world with a loss of more stations. China is now dominating, while most All India Radio stations have closed down. A year ago the Total was 75. The reason is, that other media get higher priority, than keeping elderly Shortwave transmitters alive. Here are some of the stations on the Tropical Bands, which have closed down during 2020 and 2021:

kHz	kW	Station	Country	Last log
2485	2	R Vanuatu, Emten Lagoon	Vanuatu	JUN20
3260	10	NBC Madang	Papua New Guinea	JAN21
3325	10	NBC Bougainville	Papua New Guinea	SEP20
3945	10	R Nikkei, Nagara	Japan	JUN20
4055	0,25	R Verdad, San Esteban	Guatemala	MAR21
4775	1	R Congonhas, MG	Brazil	APR21
4820	15	Kyrgyz Radiosu, Bishkek	Kyrgyzstan	AUG20
4835	10	AIR, Gangtok, Sikkim	India	JUL20
4921	1	R La Voz del Pueblo, Santiago	Peru	SEP20
4940	1	R San Antonio, Villa Atalaya	Peru	OCT20
4950	50	AIR, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir	India	DEC21
4965	5	R Alvorada, Parintins, AM	Brazil	JUL21
4985	10	R Brasil Central, Goiânia, GO	Brazil	OCT20
4990	1	R Apintie, Paramaribo	Suriname	APR20
5035	10	R Aparecida, Aparecida, SP	Brazil	JUL20
5040	50	AIR, Jeypore, Odisha	India	DEC21

DX nostalgia by RFK

Most of us would probably give up and call it a day if we had faced as many problems as Vlad has lately. Vlad's latest loss was the sinking of his flagship Moscow which meant just as much to him as Bismarck meant to Adolf. But giving up? Oh no. Vlad's natural reaction is causing even more terror to the Ukrainian people. Just like an aggressive rat being trapped in a corner....

We DX-ers have often followed the development of war over the airwaves. Our contacts with radio stations and not least fellow DX-ers all around the world has taught us that we are basically all alike. Our hobby has helped us achieving an understanding for other people. Therefore the whole thing is so sad. Why should you hate people of a certain nation just because they have mad leaders who throw their country into disaster? The people didn't start the war and I bet most did not want it. There can be no winners in this war.


Hopefully peace will soon be restored in Ukraine. As for the DX nostalgia column, here we have a couple of nice South American pennants from the collection of the late Olle Alm OA.



Radio Cuenca from Ecuador and Radio Frontera both left SW a long time ago and what is left today are the memories of nice listening sessions in the morning, enjoying the music and flow of the programmes interspersed with some static and CWQRM in the tropical bands.

Do you remember when Papua & New Guinea had all those stations on SW? Well, the times they are a'changing.... Below a QSL letter which OA received from Radio East New Britain.

RADIO EAST NEW BRITAIN
"Maus Bilong Tavurvur"



Phone: 92-2744
Cables: NATBROADCAST
Telex: 92804

P.O. Box 393
Rabaul

Ref: 47-7-12

23rd November, 1988.

Mr. Olle Alm
TJadervagen 6A
S-871 65 Harnosand
SWEDEN.

Dear Sir,

Thankyou for your reception report dated November 9th 1988.

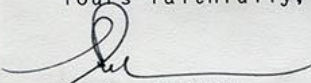
The Station you monitored and heard broadcasting on 3.385Khz just before 2300hours on October 30th was indeed Radio East New Britain.

Your cassette recording of the closing made it quite easy for us to confirm it. The voice you heard was that of Broadcaster Mr. Demus Vue Kumaina. The 11pm closing time is only temporary due to lack of funds.

Our transmitter is a new 10kw N.E.C. transmitter donated by the Government of Japan. It was commissioned on 13/9/88 and is located in Rabaul.

Thankyou for your report and the cassette as well. Hope you enjoy listening in future to our programmes.

Yours faithfully,


A. L. RUMINA
STATION MANAGER, RABAUL..

Yes, many of those stations we used to listen to have left SW. But one station that's still there is the Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation SIBC. Another QSL received by Olle Alm, showing the station's logo.




Judging from the QSL text the SIBC seems to be aware of our hobby.

SOLOMON ISLANDS BROADCASTING CORPORATION

QSL CONFIRMATION Date: 21/1/83 ALR

This confirms your reception of:-
~~9545 kHz; on _____ from _____ (G.M.T.)~~
5020 kHz; on 6/12/82 from 1010 (G.M.T.)
1030 kHz; on _____ from _____ (G.M.T.)
~~_____ ; on _____ from _____ (G.M.T.)~~

The transmission had an aerial power of 10 kilowatts. Thank you for your report, and we wish you good DX'ing.

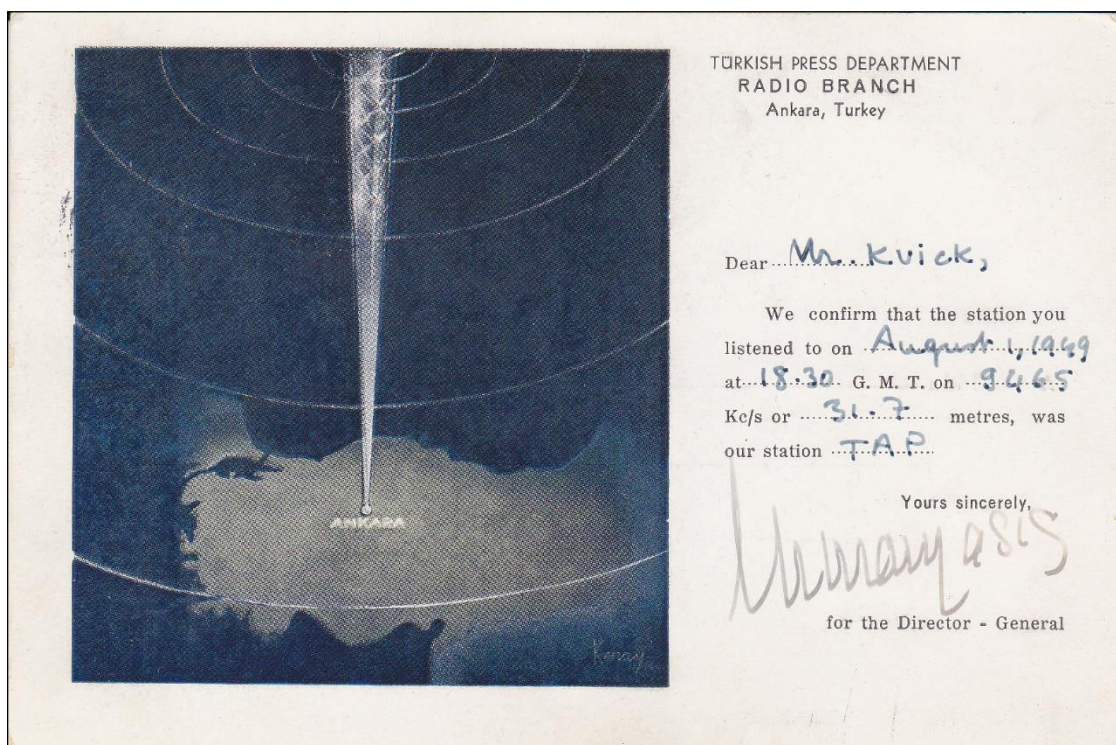
S.I.B.C.
P O Box 654, HONIARA, S.I.
73's. 
SIBC/20.

To Olle Alm,
Tjadervagen 6A,
S-87100 Harnosand
Sweden.

Here we have Olles QSL from Catholic station Radio Pax in Beira, Mozambique. The station started in 1954 and was taken over by the government as Mozambique became an independent nation in 1975. Today the station is on FM only and they have a Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/radiopax103/>



An oldie but a goodie! Our friend Ullmar Quick UQ is still highly active as a DX-er and he received this QSL from the Turkish radio in 1949 – that’s 73 years ago! The card was scanned by John Ekwall JOE.



To conclude this nostalgia column, here is an even older QSL from UQ and an interesting station run by the US Corps of Engineers in Athens, Greece. Station JJOY was actually not an AFRS station and operated on out-of-band frequency 8000 kHz. The letter was scanned by John Ekwall JOE. My friends, if you want to submit some scans of radio nostalgia: old QSLs, pennants, clippings, whatever.... you are always welcome to mail me at info @ rock.x.se. Take care and stay safe.

GRECIAN DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
CORPS OF ENGINEERS
ATHENS, GREECE

ADDRESS REPLY
TO DISTRICT ENGINEER
GRECIAN DISTRICT
ATHENS, GREECE

9 December 1948

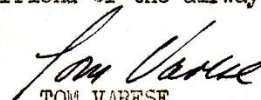
Dear Sir:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your QSA and QRK report on the reception of my station.

The American Hour is a program put on by the United States Corps of Engineers in Athens, Greece. It consists of fifteen minutes of news and forty-five minutes of transcribed music. I would like to emphasize the fact that we are not in any way connected with the Armed Forces Net Work.

Our station consists of a Collins 30-K transmitter, using a doublet antenna and a 72 ohm feeder. My exact frequency is 8000 kcs; power output approximately 375 watts.

I hope to remain your friend of the airways.



TOM VARESE
American Hour - JJOY
U. S. Corps of Engineers
Athens, Greece

P.S. We have the "Ave Maria" but not by Marian Anderson.
We will do our best to get "The Count of Luxemburg"
by Franz Lehar.

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Romelevagen 20
Kristinehamn
Sweden