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We have now reached issue no. 2000 and it is time to take a decision for the rest of this year. The question is if SWB shall continue to be published or not.

We had a discussion at the ARC/SWB convention and the participants suggested some changes, especially for the log section. The problem is the log which is more or less containing the same stations from issue to issue. The log in SWB shall inspire and not only reflect the DX activity.

Nowadays SWB has lost its original idea when it was established - quick news and information in a group of hyperactive Nordic DXers.

The interesting stations on the Tropical bands have decreased every year and during that time SWB has increased other information like small articles. Many have appreciated this new approach.

So please take a look on next page where I have written down some information regarding changes in the log section.

Also thanks a lot for all comments regarding issue no. 2000.

Keep on

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SWB-info

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

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

QSL, comments, etc.

Ron Howard: Why I like listening to Radio Vanuatu? Island music!!

Christer Brunström: **Radyo Pilipinas 15190** eQSL (but also promised to mail a hard copy QSL-card in due course). **Welle370, Königs Wusterhausen (via Moosbrunn) 6030** kHz QSL-card showing the Ukrainian colours and leaflets about the radio museum in Königs Wusterhausen near Berlin. **Voice of Türkiye 15350** kHz colourful QSL-cards using the old name of Voice of Turkey.

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!

Christoph Ratzer: **The 2000th issue of the Shortwave Bulletin has been published.** Congratulations to Thomas Nilsson and thank you for always keeping this unique newsletter from Sweden well informed. <http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/archive.htm>

Ullmar Qvick: Hej Thomas och stort grattis! Stort arbete och stor uthållighet ligger bakom ditt jubileum. Jag har haft mindre aktivitet än vanligt sedan nyår. Har inte haft något att meddel som kan intressera dem som följer SWB. Tack för din fina insats!

Glenn Hauser: Congratulations to Thomas Nilsson upon the 2000th issue of SW Bulletin: see it here: <http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/2000.pdf>
Unfortunately, TN is considering finishing it; see his introductory comments.

Giampaolo Galassi: Congrats for the issue 2000 dear Thomas.

Jerry Berg: I have just posted the latest edition of the "Shortwave Bulletin" in the "Files" section of the DXP groups.io website <<https://groups.io/g/DXplorer/files>>
Thanks to SWB editor Thomas Nilsson for supplying us with these, and congratulations to him and all SWB members on their "2000 issues" anniversary. That is quite an achievement. /JB

Jari Lehtinen: Congratulations for number 2000!

Zacharias Liangas: 2000 issues. Wishing this magazine the best!

Giampiero Bernardini: Dear Thomas, have my compliments for your great SWB number 2000 goal. A real great job by a real great DXer for DXers.

Anatoly Klepov (Editor of "Rus-DX"): 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!

Manuel Méndez. Congratulation for 2000 number issue of Shortwave Bulletin. Your publication is one of the most important of the DX World, please I hope you continue with the bulletin for a long time. Thank you very much.

Important changes for future issues of SWB.

SWB was once started as a quick information paper to the active Nordic DX-ers and was of much help for them. The Tropical bands were favoured. The scene has completely changed with almost nothing interesting left there. So a decision I had to make – should I continue with SWB or not?

At our ARC/SWB convention we discussed the future of SWB. If SWB should continue all participants wanted the log to be reduced. Most of the logs I receive have already appeared in various other sources, groups or blogs. I think it is very boring to repeat the same stations in issue after issue when most of the DX-ers around already have seen those logs, especially in WOR.

Regarding the other information found in SWB all thought this should be kept as is. Christoph Ratzer summarises this extremely well: *You certainly collect all other items "on the side". And I find these reports very important - EVEN if they are all from "the internet". But no one will find it on the internet for weeks - it will still be available in SWB years from now. That is also the reason why I put the complete (!) A-DX mailing list archive on my own server, there it will be safe until I am no longer there and hopefully even longer.*

So I would see SWB win in the future less as a "logbook", but as a "summary" of what we see every day in Facebook and all the other places, but which is forgotten there after weeks.

So this ends up in the following guidelines:

- In the beginning of the log section I will give some links to useful groups or blogs where you can find the full logs
- Pirate radio section will be removed
- A log of a station present in the last issue will not be repeated unless there is important info or changes
- If two or more logs of a station are received the signatures will be grouped together in one log with date & time given

Also please do not use SINPO code in your logs. The only one who care about signal strength is the station to whom you write your reception report. Almost all readers of this log do not care about the SINPO figures when a station is received at a specific location several days ago. Better to use W/F/G if the signal strength must be given.

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_0421_0427.txt

Previous issue: https://www.w4uvh.net/ghlogs_2022_0414_0420.txt

Important log links:

WOR: <https://groups.io/g/WOR>

SWLDXBulgaria News: <https://groups.io/g/WOR/messages>

WORLDWIDE DX CLUB Top News: <https://www.wwdx.de/topnews.shtml>

DXplorer: <https://groups.io/g/DXplorer/messages>

Liangas: <https://zliangaslogs.wordpress.com/2022/>

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| 2368.43 | Apr29 | 1740 | R Symban via Hunter KSDR in NSW Australia with nice old greek songs of the 70s also heard them in synch to 1692.0. Tested with second thread to verify. (Liangas) |
| 3310 | May1 | 0103 | Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cotapachi, Quechua, comments. (Méndez) |
| 3325 | May1 | 1010 | Voice of Indonesia, via Palangkaraya, heard again after being silent for several days. Too early for good reception, but at 1010, clearly heard the national song "Bagimu Negeri"; 1015, "Today in History" in English, but unreadable. Signal improving and should have decent reception later. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.) |
| 3365 | Apr27 | 2305 | R. Cultura de Araraquara on air at 2305, sports program, good signal. By tip of Celso Shimomura of Rodada dos Radioescutas Facebook group. (LOB via WOR) |
| 3915 | Apr28 | 2216 | BBC, Kranji relay. WS in E to SEAs, rpts. from Ukraine. 35342 (CG) |
| 4765 | Apr21 | -0402* | Radio Progreso, Bejucal, relaying Radio Habana Cuba program, "Escucharon... un programa de Radio Habana Cuba, 12 de la noche en La Habana". (Méndez) |
| 4774.9 | Apr23 | 2244 | R.Congonhas (p), Congonhas MG. Mx. Adj. QRM de PRU on 4775. 14331 (CG) |

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| 4775 | May1 | 0100 | Radio Tarma, Tarma, news, "Las noticias ocales, nacionales e internacionales en Radio Tarma", at 0105 program "Recordando la Constitución Peruana", comments about the Peruvian Constitution, Peruvian songs. (Méndez) + (CGS, Apr 23, 2242) |
| 4810 | Apr26 | 0938 | Must be R. Logos in opening of transmissions at 0938, I noticed the announcer mentioning something that would not be "R. Logos" but something like "R. Huanta" or something similar, (as can be heard in recording whose link is below). I recorded 4810 several times and never heard the announcer mention "R. Logos", but rather something that doesn't sounds like Logos (LOB). |
| 4885 | May1 | 0406 | Radio Clube do Pará, Belém, relaying Radio Bandeirantes news. (Méndez) |
| 4940 | Apr21 | 0404 | Unknown relaying Fuerza de Paz, religious comments, Colombian-Venezuelan songs, "Llaneras". About this station, the colleague and friend José Hernández Madrid sends me the replay that Rafael Rodríguez, QSL manager of La Voz de tu Conciencia sent to a listener, Adolfo Arto, who sent him a reception report about the station on 4940 kHz, and that he posts on Facebook (Google translation): 1. <i>"The Signal on 4940 KHz is not operated by the Colombia Para Cristo Organization or its Fuerza de Paz Campaign, which in previous years operated on 5910 and 6010 Khz from Colombia and of which I am the QSL Manager.</i> 2. <i>Although the 4940 khz signal retransmits old programs from those stations and for this reason Fuerza de Paz is mentioned, these programs are taken from public web servers where these programs have been hosted for several years.</i> 3. <i>The 4940 Khz signal has never been identified in any way, it presents Colombian-Venezuelan music, they give the UTC -4 time (Venezuela time) and in my opinion it transmits from that country or very close to the border between Venezuela and Colombia .</i> 4. <i>I ask you to be attentive because it is working on the reactivation of the 6010 Khz signal and that I trust you can listen and report to my email: rafaelcoldx@yahoo.com , where I will be sending you the eQSL and other souvenirs. "</i> (Méndez) |
| 5020 | Apr29 | 1322 | SIBC, non-stop island music (pop & EZL songs); no announcements at all; started out very poor and came up to be almost fair. 1316 UT was my local sunrise! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.) |
| 5025 | Apr28 | 2335 | R. Quillabamba. Holy Rosary. (Claudio Galaz, Barraza Bajo, Chile) |
| 5045 | May1 | 0718 | UNID, heard carrier from tune-in at 0718+; believe much too early for Bay Islands Radio; from 0718 to 0915, no audio made out from the carrier; only briefly heard with definite audio with 0923-0926, OM announcer; 0926, start of segment with EZL songs; mostly unusable. Will take a day of outstanding propagation for me to be able to hear any meaningful details, but am happy to keep on monitoring this frequency! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.) |
| 5045 | Apr28 | 0605 | At 0605, I find the Upper Hutt NZ SDR already tuned by someone in Glen Innes NSW to 5044.98 AMN, so I camp on it; noisy but getting S7/S8 music which I first expect to be the co-channel Queensland station since Nick has criticized its rock music. Brisbane SDR is not getting anything, but seems deaf on SW, nothing on the waterfall and not even 5000 WWVH. At 0611, there is my ``Radio DX`` ID, pause and starts playback of WOR 2135 again as test audio. Hardly any interruptions until briefly at 0618. I'm then offline but check out 5045 direct: trace of a JBA carrier, in heavy splash from 5040 Cuba. The Cuban JBA leapfrog on 5055 is stronger than 5045, and not the other Aussie. Meanwhile others are still monitoring 5045 via other remotes: Walt Salmaniw, BC; Don Moman, AB; Ed Kusalik, AB; Matt Francis, NSW; Chris Mackerell, NZ; Tim Gaynor, NSW of Unique Radio who suggests a move to 5060 as his station had to move from 5045 to 5035. And Bruce Churchill, CA, says carrier off at 0738.5*, not reaching further than Melbourne. To be a new SWBC radio country, NI is no doubt far enough away from mainland Australia. Norfolk is not on the official NASWA country list -- surely because until now there has been no SWBC from there. http://www.naswa.net/images/NASWA_country_list.pdf I suppose they will eventually catch up (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR) |
| 5825 | Apr28 | 2344 | R. Triunfal Evangelica. Music. (Claudio Galaz, Barraza Bajo, Chile) |
| 5920 | Apr26 | 1340 | Voice of Freedom, with the 20 minutes program "Sigan-yeohaeng, yeogsa tamheomdae" (Time travel, history exploration party), with the theme music by South Korean electronic group Idiotape - "Melodie" ("6 synthesizers and 1 drummer formed an electronic band Idiotape to play synth playing rock music.") Fair-good, with no jamming of any kind. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.) |
| 5938.7 | May1 | 0441 | Voz Missionaria, Camboriú, religious songs and comments, id. "Voz Missionaria, Camboriú, Santa Catalina". QRM on 5935. // 9666.9. (Méndez) + (CG, Apr 28, 2113) |

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| 5970 | Apr26 | 1843 | R. 208 (p), Hvidovre. Mx. 15331 (CG) + (Méndez, May1, 0437) |
| 5995 | Apr17 | 1740 | R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Gyengi-do. Kor to KRE, tks, western pops. // 9105 fair. 25431 (CGS) |
| 6340.2 | Apr16 | 1825 | Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25341 (CGS) |
| 6350 | Apr26 | 1841 | R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks. 25342 (CG) |
| 6355 | Apr22 | 1840 | R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks. 35332 (CG) |
| 6900 | Apr20 | 1841 | Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25331 (CG) |
| 7260 | Apr21 | -0558* | Radio Vanuatu, Port Vila, English, comments, songs. Strong QRM on 7265. Best heard on 7258 in order to minimize 7265 interference. (Méndez) |
| 7385 | Apr20 | 1600 | PBB Xizang, Lhasa, Tibet, time signals, English, "This is Holy Tibet", news and comments about Tibet. (Méndez) |
| 9530 | Apr17 | 0924 | R.Onda (BEL stn) (p), Borculo. Songs. 15331 (CGS) |
| 9635 | Apr20 | 1640 | Radio Mali, Bamako, Vernacular, comments, African songs. (Méndez) |
| 9670 | Apr17 | 0931 | Channel 292, Rohrdorf. G, pops, tks. Improving, rtd. 25442 at 1130. (CGS) |
| 9818.8 | Apr16 | 2031 | R. 9 de Julho, São Paulo SP. Songs. 25432 (CGS) |
| 9840 | Apr30 | 1013 | VoVietnam with song. English program with various stories of the country. (Liangas) |
| 9666.896 v | Apr20 | 0632 | Standout signal from Radio Voz Missionária even tho only S8/S9, with .br website and 3:32 timecheck, back to music, which sounds more secular than sacred without understanding any lyrics. Will it ever reach 9667.000? Some still log this as if on nominal 9665! (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR) |
| 11665 | Apr23 | 1210 | <i>11665 RTM Wai FM via Kajang, April 23 noted poor-fair but clear at 1210 with OM talking in > Malay with gamelan mood mx clinking in background, then OM discourse with jungle noises behind him. Radio drama. 100% ID via // with webstream. (Perry – II NASWA Flashsheet items April 24)</i> ----- Yes indeed, Wai FM (11665) was actually enjoyable listening on Apr 23! Always enjoy hearing their unique singing station ID. While Sarawak FM (9835) remains off the air. (Ron Howard, California) + (CGS, Apr19, 0906) |
| 11835 | Apr20 | | Radio Vanuatu observations on 11835 (3rd harmonic), from suddenly on at *0559 UT (after 7260 cut off at 0559*) till tuned out at 0805; usual array of PSAs regarding COVID-19 and promo for RV programs; played a lot of island songs and also Bill Withers - "Lean On Me"; 0700-0704, with filler music, as the news/ sports/weather in Bislama was late starting (0704-0715); item about the Solomon Islands and China security agreement, etc. What I have found interesting is that RV seems to daily have some amount of an English lesson between 0730 to 0750 UT; either with a straight lesson, or more likely a drama/dialog. Today had an Australian English dialog (brief audio attached). (Ron Howard, California) + (Mendez, May1, *0559-) |
| 11895.2 | Apr25 | 2100 | R.Boa Vontade, Pt.º Alegre RS. Rlgs. propag. Adj. QRM. // 9550.091. 23431 (CG) |
| 13130 | Apr19 | 1028 | Sound Of Hope R Int'l (?), unk. site. Mand, tks, mx. 15331 (CGS) |
| 13610 | Apr19 | 1026 | Sound Of Hope R Int'l (p), unk. site. Mand, tks. 25331 (CGS) |
| 14980 | Apr19 | 1030 | Sound Of Hope R Int'l (?), unk. site. Mand, tks, mx. 15341 (CGS) |
| 15189.9 | Apr29 | 2045 | R.Inconfidência, Belo Horizonte MG. Folk songs, sports nx in A Hora do Fazendeiro. 25432 (CG) + (Méndez, Apr30, 1934) |
| 15340 | Apr25 | 1730 | Radio Axumite (cland.) to Ethiopia c/d 1744. 45444 (UQ) |

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Station news

AUSTRALIA. A quick report after two evenings of on-air tests. First, massive thank you to all listeners who invested their time and tuned in. You are a dedicated crowd, and I have an enormous respect for legends who have been listening for 20, 40 or 70 years, and keep tuning the knob to this day. Actually, the only reason even to attempt to get on air from Norfolk is to serve you by 'giving you a chance to log a new one'. Serving you is a pleasure and honour.



Another massive "thank you" goes to Glenn. There is nothing I can tell you about Glenn and his devotion to radio that you already don't know. To have him as an honorary station announcer was a thrill.

A word about Norfolk: my wife and I moved here in October last year. We still travel to Sydney on regular basis, but Norfolk is now (almost) a home. Life on island is complex and 'to get things done' takes far more time and patience than on mainland. Transport of goods to island is almost non-existent, and people are still worried about covid. Medical resources are very limited. Same apply to food. The shops are empty and when fruit and vegetables are available, the prices are simply unbelievable. A kilo of apples goes for \$15; potatoes are \$10 and whole cabbage \$50. Meat is reasonably affordable thanks to local producers (there are two butchers on island). Wires, tubing, timber, aluminium, steel, cement and building material appear on island occasional - and disappears fast. We have brought

with us so far over 450 kg of various radio equipment and every piece was hand carried between two of us. Internet is painfully slow and even local phone calls are \$1 per minute (and no one would dare to call overseas on land line or mobile!).

The relationship between local population and Australian Government is complex. There is a very strong desire for independence and self governance. Clearly, as a newcomer I am trying to see both sides of the story from unbiased standpoint, but there is no clean cut nor fast solution to a complex problem.

On the other hand, the island itself is a pure magic and living here is simply 'worth the trouble'. Playing radios is amazing; at our location we have no man made noise and bands are open to somewhere 24 hours per day. Made 40,000 QSOs already! Norfolk is one of the best places in world to enjoy Amateur radio, fishing and astronomy, and probably one of few where you can enjoy all three.

To broadcasting: a steep learning curve. Quite frankly, I am disappointed that my signal was rather 'amateurish' - it barely made it to West Coast of USA and Canada and even reports from New Zealand were rather modest. There are two reasons for this rather below-average performance: unreliable transmitter which failed to perform as per specs. The overheating protection was kicking in too often. A KW rated transmitter was barely producing 200-300W and most of the TXing was at 100W. The second 'problem' are propagation on 60m which at this time of year favour north rather than north east. As many have reported, the second night was significantly worse than the first. The good news is that the 14m vertical worked as expected. This is a home made 14m radiator with 16 radials, tuned to 5045 with SWR 1:1 so no issues there.

Where do we go from here? Clearly, and investment in a professional grade transmitter is a must. My license allows me to run 1KW and this is what is the power level required to produce a decent signal. If you have any suggestion to maker or model, please do let me know. Of course, this is not-for-profit radio setup so money is a factor, but I am really looking for transmitter which will be turn on, and left alone, capable of transmitting 24/7 if required. I will be also reaching out to Tim who is on this mailing list with request for mentoring. There is fair bit to learn about broadcasting - and if I am to put a signal on air, then I do need to do it right and in a professional way. I remain open to all suggestions, especially from fellow members who have been through similar process themselves. Also, my plan is to apply for secondary frequency as well. It is yet to be seen how ACMA will deal with application, but in my opinion co-sharing a channel is less than ideal solution.

Finally, the bit that probably interest you the most: when is the next transmission? At this stage, assuming than new equipment could be obtained and delivered relatively fast, the next 'proper' transmission should be in September.

Best regards to all, thank you for your support and happy listening!
(Nick Hacko VK9DX via WOR)

PS yes, QSL cards will be printed and mailed out to all who have submitted listening report. No money is required, just make sure i have your mailing address. Unfortunately Norfolk Island stamps are no longer in circulation, sorry.

Audio of the taped WOR segment of Nick's test from 0640:50 to 0650:42 UTC on 27 April 2022 (recording made from the KiwiSDR at Half Moon Bay, CA using the TCI 532 log-periodic antenna pointed 222 degrees):

<https://bit.ly/RadioDX220427>

(Bruce Churchill via WOR)

CHILE. RCW RADIO COMPAÑÍA WORLDWIDE.

La Emisora internacional Chilena.

Es una emisora LIBRE que nace de la lamentable y constante desaparición de emisoras de Onda Corta, cuya misión es mantener a Chile en las bandas HF y difundir una programación cultural, informativa y musical. RCW es, hasta el momento junto a RTE 5825 Khz, las únicas emisoras del país que emiten por Ondas Cortas después del cierre del Centro Emisor CVC Calera de Tango.

En la creación de RCW es innegable reconocer que fue inspirada por la antigua emisora Holandesa Radio Nederland Wereldomroep, notándose en nuestra programación y figura corporativa, su clara influencia.

Nuestros Centros de Emision de Ondas Cortas bautizados con nombres de próceres Chilenos son:

◇ Estación Rodríguez Erdoíza, actualmente en Stand By, posee una potencia de 45 Watts AM (0,045 KW) con una antena dipolo tipo G5RV en V invertida con capacidad de emitir en bandas de 90, 75, 49 y 41 metros. Esta estación está acondicionada para una potencia de 150 watts efectivos.

◇ Estación General Carrera, actualmente en servicio, posee una potencia de 45 watts AM (0,045 KW) con antena dipolo extendido para las bandas de 43 y 41 metros. Esta estación está acondicionada para emitir hasta con 1 Kw de potencia efectiva desde los 49, 43 y 41 metros.

RCW es pequeña entre las pequeñas emisoras de Onda Corta pero es orgullosa de ser una radio que ayuda a mantener viva esta importante pero menospreciada forma de radiodifusión .

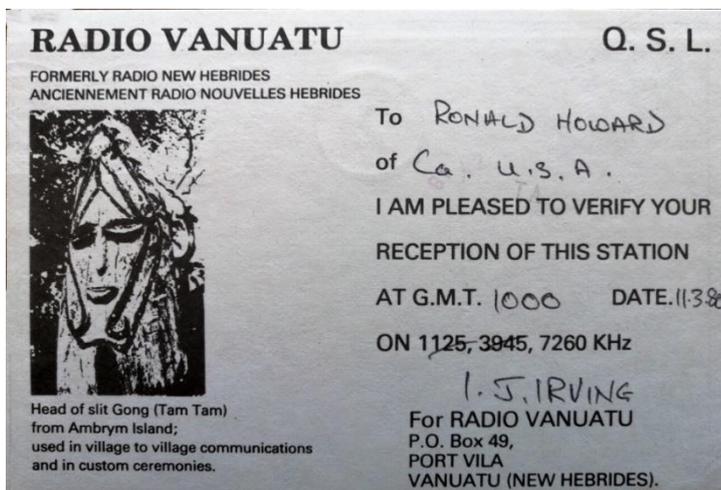
SALUDOS DESDE SAN FRANCISCO EN CHILE...73!

(Radio Compañía Worldwide) [More, frequencies, propagation info, etc.:] <https://rcwradio.wixsite.com/rcwradio>
(via AER El Dial) [WOR]

CLANDESTINE. 9450 ``Radio Ominira Yoruba, inactive on SW at time of publication`` says WRTH 2022 page 521. But now from Observer, Bulgaria, Wednesday, April 20, 2022: ``Registered frequency of Radio Ominira Yoruba in HFCC from April 21 U.K. 1900-2400 on 9450 WOF 250 kW / 170 deg to WeAf Yoruba Radio Freedom Yoruba A22`` --- so I check at 2020 UT April 21: nothing, yet? into Kuwait SDR (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 2135)

VANUATU. Am happy I already have my nice RV QSL card from 40 years ago, but had hoped for some type of current reply!

(Ron Howard, California via WOR)



Other radio news

Radio Liberty was threatened with new fines in Russia.

Radio Liberty (listed by the Ministry of Justice as a foreign agent) was threatened with new fines in Russia for refusing to remove content banned in the country. TASS reports on the protocols for the radio station. "Judicial precinct No. 423 of the World Court of the Tverskoy District of Moscow received 60 protocols against Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty LLC under Part 2 of Article 13.41 of the Code of Administrative Offenses of the Russian Federation (non-deletion by the owner of the information resource, if the obligation to delete it is provided for by the legislation of the Russian Federation - ed.) "Lenty.ru")," the press service of the Tverskoy District Court in Moscow told the agency. It is specified that some

of the protocols are related to materials about the special operation in Ukraine. Some of the protocols will be considered on April 28. The company faces a fine of 240 million On April 25, it was reported that another 31 protocols against Radio Liberty had been submitted to the court, with a total fine of 188 million rubles.

lenta.ru (https://onair.ru/main/enews/view_msg/NMID_82957/)

(RUS-DX #1183)

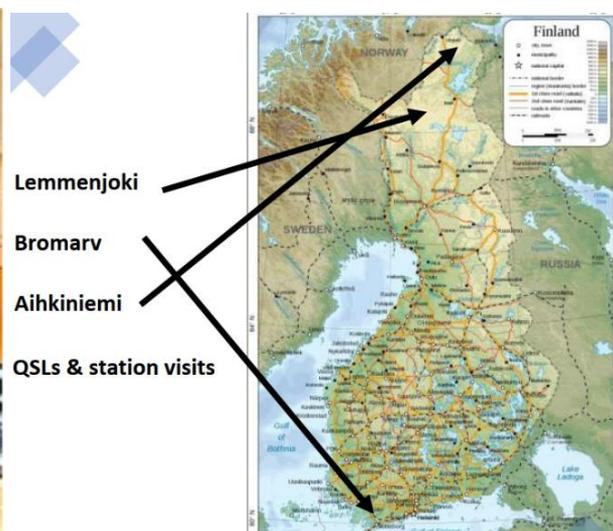
Interesting lecture by Jim Solatie at ARC/SWB convention in Jönköping April 23-24

Jim lives in Espoo, west of the capital Helsinki. He has been DXing since 1981. By 2022 he has received verifications from c:a 9100 stations in 231 countries. His primary interests are MW broadcasting stations in the winter and listening to FM stations in the summer. During the last 15 years Jim has collected verifications from over 300 stations almost every year. Jim enjoys DXpeditions, and in the past decade, he has spent several weeks annually in [Aihkiniemi](#) and Lemmenjoki.



We were lucky to have Jim and his wife as guests at the ARC/SWB convention in Jönköping. Jim hold a a very interesting speech about his DX-career. He told us about his three listening places, Aihkiniemi, Lemmenjoki up in the north and his summer house Bromarv in the south west part of Finland. See the locations at enclosed map. The northern locations are used for North America, Asia & Pacific. Bromarv is used mostly for FM. From Bromarv Jim has logged several of the rare Irish Church stations on 27 mHz.

With the number of received verifications until today must be a world record.



Jim, thanks a lot for telling us your DX history. /TN

[WOR] New Radiorama edition

The link: https://www.air-radio.it/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Radiorama_116.pdf

(Zacharias Liangas via WOR)

[WOR] Amateur radio in Moroccan newspaper

Morocco's French language newspaper The Opinion published a story titled 'Amateur radio: An exciting and little-known hobby that resists the advent of digital'

A translation of the article says:

This Monday [April 18], the world celebrates the thousands of radio and transmission enthusiasts, otherwise known as "radio amateurs". Zoom on the Moroccan followers of this often unknown hobby.

You've probably seen a few of them in the end-of-the-world movies. The cliché would have them being in their cellars (or attics), sitting in front of a radio transceiver that they manage to operate to contact other survivors or call for possible help, when electricity, the Internet and networks of all kinds have all dropped. Even forcing the strokes, the most common misconception about radio amateurs is not necessarily totally wrong.

In the collective imagination and disaster films, as in real life, radio amateurs are never characters like any other. Often truly passionate about radio as well as the myriad of sciences and technologies that revolve around their hobby (electronics, transmission, physics ...), they are always available to take over and put themselves at the service of the community, thanks to their equipment and technicality, if ever a major event forced them to become citizen sentinels. Today, the whole world celebrates these "reservists like no other".

Like other countries, Morocco hosts its own community of radio amateurs. Their number is estimated at more than 800 enthusiasts whose common denominator is to have a special license issued by the ANRT, following a dedicated procedure.

"To become an amateur radio, you must first pass an exam and pass it before obtaining a license and an identification code. After a preparation phase thanks to a specialized course, the exam takes place in the form of a MCQ that revolves around several theoretical disciplines," says Hassan Lahbouje, known under the identification code "CN8SG" and member of the Royal Association of Radio Amateurs of Morocco (ARRAM).

"I am an electrical technician, but the other radio amateurs come from very different professional backgrounds. If we had to find characteristics common to Moroccan radio amateurs, it would be their very marked interest in Radio in general and other related fields such as electricity or transmission for example," continues our interlocutor.

Read the full article in English at: <https://tinyurl.com/Morocco-The-Opinion>
(via Southgate Amateur Radio News via WOR)

Re #1500 issue of BC-DX TopNews column.

Thank you, dear loyal readers of this WWDXC Broadcast DX Top-News from all over the world for all the kind words you have said on the occasion of remembering 1500 issues, which are very much appreciated here in Germany.

Wishful thinking - further 1500 issues occurrence, but I guess Short Wave broadcasting hobby will not reach another 50 years mark.

Hobby life history. Started in 1957 with AM mode shortwave RX listening of the ARD 49 mb transmissions and BBC London German Service program with the state GDR receiver set from 'Made in Stern Radio Rochlitz' in the student dormitory in Thuringia at GDR.

Then with the 'Schaub-Lorenz T40 Touring' purchase in 1962 at Wiesbaden Hesse and 'Grundig Satellite 208-ssb-set' bought in 1968 at MAIN-Radio at the old Opera / Fressgasse in Frankfurt/Main. Joined ADDX Courier club / DWL SW sponsored club at Mr. Kobsch in Cologne in January 1969.

WWDXC member with Mike Bethge from 1971 I was actually led by (Ravensburg) Manfred Steinel of the MW Arbeitskreis who studied in Darmstadt and took me to Studio Monica, to the tape recording procedure with the Yankey army soldier presenter in English language at the studio.

I compiled the printed monthly wwdxc DX magazine news from February 1977, here with pure Adler and Brother typewriter and A4 paper editions via snail mail duty, took over from Wolfgang Kasper in Neu-Isenburg and compiled them until 11/1984. After that Jürgen Kubiak in Berlin took over this task.

Around 1989 on Microsoft 86 PC and the parallel Ham Radio Packet Radio with tiny 1200 Baud speed transmission via Yaesu FM radio and connected radio modem, 1 x A4-page pure Windows text page took 50 minutes boring time to load into the server, last transferred at the University of Regensburg Packet Radio database section !

Also e-mail delivery via telephone modem driven CompuServe account in Munich started in 1992 by small Siemens PC 16 MHz basis notebook.

How many thousands of text- / data-copies did I have at that time in my publishing company or here at home via the Hewlett Packard fax machine over 45 years - with great pleasure ?

And that's #1501 of WorldWideDXClub TopNews BC-DX column, to fetch the previous issues click to:

<https://www.wwdxc.de/topnews.shtml>

<https://www.wwdxc.de/topnews2.shtml>

Single older editions of WWDXC Top News can be downloaded here:

<https://www.wwdxc.de/bcdx.shtml>

Whole volumes can be downloaded as ZIP files: starting with all previous BC-DX TopNews #53 from October 1993 to present #1500 may download via List of WWDXC archive files

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Regards de Wolfy df5sx, editor of WWDXC BC-DX TopNews column, mainly on SW broadcast DX hobby.
(wb, April 22, 2022)

[WOR] Military - Signal Identification Wiki

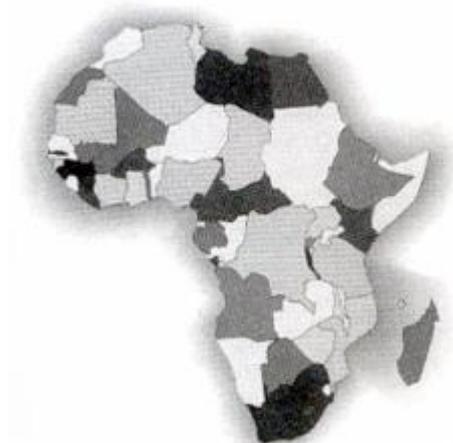
Guyz, Here's an excellent website that may help identify some of those strange shortwave signals...

<https://www.sigidwiki.com/wiki/Category:Military>

(73, Paul Staube W0AD/4 Marco Island, Florida (Minnesota [sic] DXC iog via WOR)

[WOR] African SW Sounds of Years Gone By

Africa en onda corta, sonidos de antaño. Publicado el abril 20, 2022 por lagalenadelsur



African DX Special fue un programa que se transmitió por Radio Nova, una emisora no oficial de onda corta.

Contiene registros sonoros de estaciones de radiodifusión, la mayoría desaparecidas ya, que han transmitido por onda corta, en particular en bandas de 31, 41, 49, 60 y 90 metros. Excelente calidad sonora, que trae recuerdos y nostalgias para quienes trasnochaban, venciendo el sueño, en procura de «cazar» de estas exóticas transmisiones.

Se presentan históricas grabaciones (algunas con calidad de estudio) de Angola, Botswana, Congo, Camerún, Etiopía, Gabón, Santa Helena, Kenia, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mali, Mozambique, Mauritania, Nigeria, Islas Seychelles, Sierra Leona, Swazilandia, Togo, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Rhodesia, Zimbabwe.

<https://lagalenadelsur.com/2022/04/20/africa-en-onda-corta-sonidos-de-antano/>

Utiliza las teclas de flecha arriba/abajo para aumentar o disminuir el volumen.

Una lista actual de emisoras de onda corta y media transmitiendo desde África es editada regularmente por el British DX Club.

Comparte: <http://bdxc.org.uk/africa.pdf>

(Glenn Hauser via WOR)

NEW HISTORY MATERIAL AT <<http://www.ontheshortwaves.com>>

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Senegal came on shortwave in 1940, making it one of the earlier African stations on the bands. Over the years it produced many good-looking QSLs. We have gathered them together, and added a bit of history, in "Senegal in QSLs." Look for the red "New" Under "DX History-I//QSLs & Other Station Memorabilia."

And under "Specialized Resources/Wavescan," we have added the following recent stories to the list. Please note that they are available in audio only. They are: (1) "The Early Marconi Years at Chelmsford" (Wavescan N684, April 3, 2022); (2) "The Voice of America on Mediumwave at Poro in the Philippines" (Wavescan N685, April 10, 2022); (3) "The Story of the Two Radio Stations Known as Radio Sada-e-Kashmir" (Wavescan N686, April 17, 2022); (4) "90th Anniversary of the BBC World Service, Pt. 1" (James Careless, Radio World article) (Wavescan N686, April 17, 2022); (5) "100 Years of Radio in Manitoba, Canada: The Early Wireless Years" (Wavescan N687, April 24, 2022); and (6) "90th Anniversary of the BBC World Service, Pt. 2" (James Careless, Radio World article) (Wavescan N687, April 24, 2022).

(Jerry Berg)

[WOR] Some interesting statistics

Recently someone was commenting in another group about how the performance on modern portables might be so good that it would make restoring older receivers less practical. So I did a little searching to show how things might look over time.

In 1963 a Hallicrafters S-120 sold for \$70 (adjusted for inflation the is \$650 2020 dollars)

In 1974 a Radio Shack DX-160 sold for \$140 (\$800 in 2020 dollars)

In 1983 a Sony ICF-2010 sold for \$450 (\$1270 in 2020 dollars)

Today a Tecsun PL-880 sells for around \$170

Granted, the Tecsun does not come with the built in 60 cycle hum that the S-120 had but otherwise it is a great deal.



BTW I have all four of these radios in my collection. The PL-800 is my go to rig these days.

(N2EI via WOR)

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Gents,

I am trying to pull together for a www.ontheshortwaves.com display samples of as many of the SORAFOM and OCORA QSLs as I can find. SORAFOM was established by France in 1956 to aid in the development of broadcasting in the French colonies, many of which were soon to be independent. It was replaced by OCORA in 1962. There was a standard SORAFOM card, and a standard OCORA one, and many (but not all) the French "outre-mer" stations used them. I have attached samples of the designs. Some of the OCORA cards turned up as late as the 1970s.

Below are the stations from which I already have cards. I have shown the names exactly as they appear on the card. These are all Africans, but, as can be seen on the SORAFOM card, New Caledonia, Tahiti and St. Pierre et Miquelon (MW) were apparently also members, so maybe they used them too at some point. I would appreciate it if anyone who would like to help with this could check their collections and let me know if you have any SORAFOMs or OCORAs from stations OTHER THAN those listed below.

Many thanks.

JBerg, jsberg@rcn.com

Here are the ones I already have:

SORAFOM

"RADIO-CAMEROUN"

"RADIO-DAHOMÉY"

"RADIO-INTER-A.O.F." ("INTER" sometimes crossed out and replaced with "MALI")

"RADIO-A.E.F.," sometimes stamped over with

"RADIO INTER EQUATORIAL"

"RADIO-COTE D'IVOIRE"

"RADIO-NIGER"

"RADIO-TCHAD"

"RADIO-TOGO"

OCORA

"BANGUI Centrafrique"

"CONGO Brazzaville"

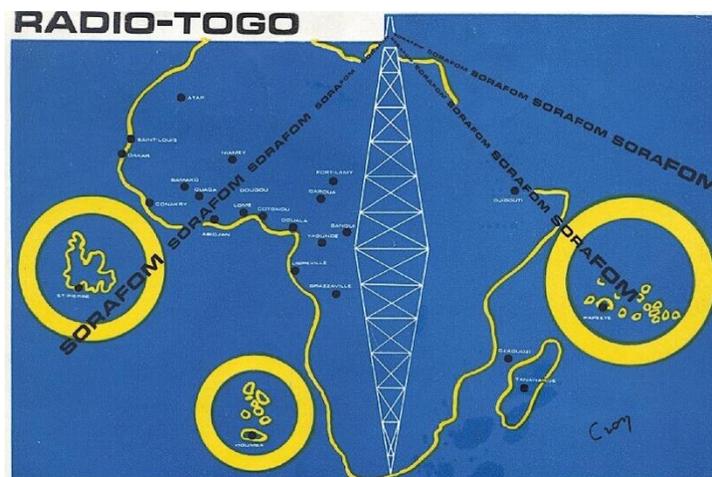
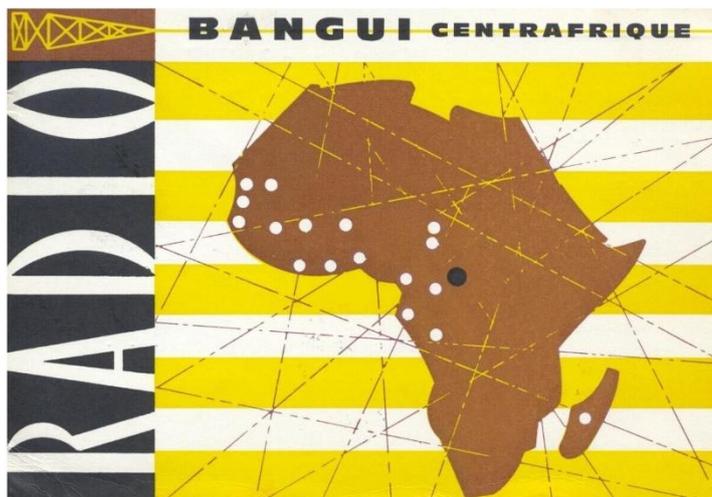
"GABON Libreville"

Radioiffusion Television Gabonaise – Libreville," with "La Voix de la Renovation" along the side

"Radiodiffusion Nationale du MALI"

"SENEGAL"

"OUGADOUGOU Haute-Volta"



Re: [WOR] Guglielmo Marconi: Making history in Ireland

I should correct an inaccuracy in this article. You will read: "[i]n 1899 [Marconi] had sent his signal across the Atlantic from Cornwall to Newfoundland". The actual date of the alleged reception was December 12th, 1901, and Marconi didn't send it because he was at the receiver on Signal Hill in St. John's. I write "alleged" because many have argued that this first trans-Atlantic reception was very unlikely. The transmission was at a frequency around 850 kHz, and it was in the middle of the day in St. John's.

Having DXed from Signal Hill with modern equipment I can say that any trans-Atlantic signals on MW would be very rare at that time of day! It is ironic that experiments by Marconi himself a few years later showed that transmission at MW frequencies during daylight do not travel much more than 1000 km, a distance that is roughly 30% of the distance from Cornwall to St. John's.

Nevertheless, Marconi used the publicity resulting from the Signal Hill reception to help secure funding for other projects, including setting up a station at Glace Bay on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. Transmission from the Glace Bay site to Cornwall was achieved on December 17th, 1902, and so that was the first trans-Atlantic DX in the UK.

Malin Head is also mentioned in the context of the Titanic, and it might be construed that Malin Head was involved in the rescue after Titanic had hit the iceberg. It was not. The (radio) distress signals from the Titanic were received by other ships in the area, notably the liner Carpathia, which diverted its course to arrive on the scene about four hours after the Titanic had sunk. Carpathia brought the survivors to New York, and it was the radio operator aboard Carpathia who informed the world of the sinking via the shore station near New York.

(Jean Burnell, Halifax NS, DX from Cappahayden NL, MWCircle iog via WOR)



Marconi Wireless Telegraph Station, Co Donegal

Matt's 2022 Rooftop Receiver Shootout!



I realized it's been long past time for me to do another head-to-head receiver comparison "shootout", where you can compare the audio from multiple radios receiving the same signal at the same time.

Long time readers of Thomas' blog may remember I've posted [a few of these before](#).

So I took advantage of the nice weather and brought a bunch of radios, recording gear, and an antenna up to the roof to listen and record signals under an open sky. My neighbors, no doubt, wondered what I must have been up to.

(Don't tell them I'm just a harmless radio nerd.)

This year, our focus is on eight "dream receivers" from the 1980's to the present. Each radio is at or near the top of the line in its class at the time of its release.

Read the full story here: <https://swling.com/blog/2022/04/matts-2022-rooftop-receiver-shootout/>



Radarparet i Borlänge – Lennart Hane & Börge Eriksson

Blev ett nytt projekt här - skanna in gamla bilder som Odd Påg hade i sitt album.

Hittade denna på "radarparet" i Borlänge - dvs Lennart Hane och Börge Eriksson.

(JOE - John Ekwall)

DX nostalgia by RFK

Back home from the Arctic Radio Club/Shortwave Bulletin Convention in Jönköping which was held on April 23-24. Our Finnish friend Jim Solatie and his wife attended and Jim told a lot about his DX hobby. He seem to be a master of focusing and his goal of 10 000 verified stations seems to be well within reach. Naturally there were also lots of discussions about current DX-ing and DX nostalgia. Bengt Dalhammar BD held a presentation of old DX-ers whom we remember. In all a very positive experience and as usual events like this make you inspired to start twiddling the dials again.

That's one positive experience from the last week. On the negative side we have Vlad in Moscow. The "special operation" in Ukraine is still going on and his partner in crime, foreign minister Lavrov, has stated that there is a definite risk of a third world war if the supply of weapons from NATO and EU countries is not stopped. Doesn't it sound like they are getting worried about the whole thing? There have been discussions about whether or not Sweden and Finland should join NATO and spokesman Maria Zakharova, who has over the years also become a wellknown TV star in Russia, has repeatedly warned us about such actions.

The 9th of May is rapidly approaching. Will Vlad be able to announce the victory over "the Ukrainian Nazis" on this day? This day is in Russia known as Victory Day – the day that Nazi Germany was defeated in 1945. Vlad's "special operation" is said to be meant to "denazifying" Ukraine. Just when you think you've heard it all.... While we are hoping for some serious efforts to remove this evil little man from power, let's indulge in some DX nostalgia and let's hope for some good news soon.

Do you recognize this man? This is actually media entrepreneur and philanthropist Ted Turner, founder of the CNN, TNT and TBS plus many other things. This photo was taken when Lars Rydén LR visited AFN in West Germany where Ted was a DJ at the time.



A couple of pennants from the collection of Lars Rydén. First we have Colombian station Transmisora Caldas, once a quite common station in the 60 metre band.



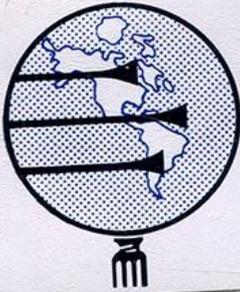
Another Colombian pennant from LR:s collection, this time from La Voz de Cúcuta. The station went on the air in 1933 and is today known as La Voz del Norte.



Here we have a letter plus sticker from Christian station Union Radio of Guatemala, received by Olle Alm OA. The station used to be quite regular on SW 5980 kHz but has now left shortwave.

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GUATEMALA C.A.

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Ing. Ollie
Suecia.

Estimado Amigo:

Reciba un cordial saludo de El Sistema de Emisoras UNION RADIO, esperamos que al recibo de ésta, usted esté gozando de muchas bendiciones del cielo.

Nos dió mucho gusto recibir su carta, en la que nos cuenta que escuchó uno de nuestros programas, hasta tan lejano país, por la onda corta en 5,980 KHz.. Adjunto a ésta le estamos enviando un mapa de la Radio Mundial Adventista para que pueda localizarnos mejor.

Aprovechamos la oportunidad para contarle algo de nuestro país; Somos parte de una Herencia cultural que conjuga de manera única magníficos Escenarios naturales, Diversidad étnica, Coloridas tradiciones y un Clima Excelente.
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Atentamente,



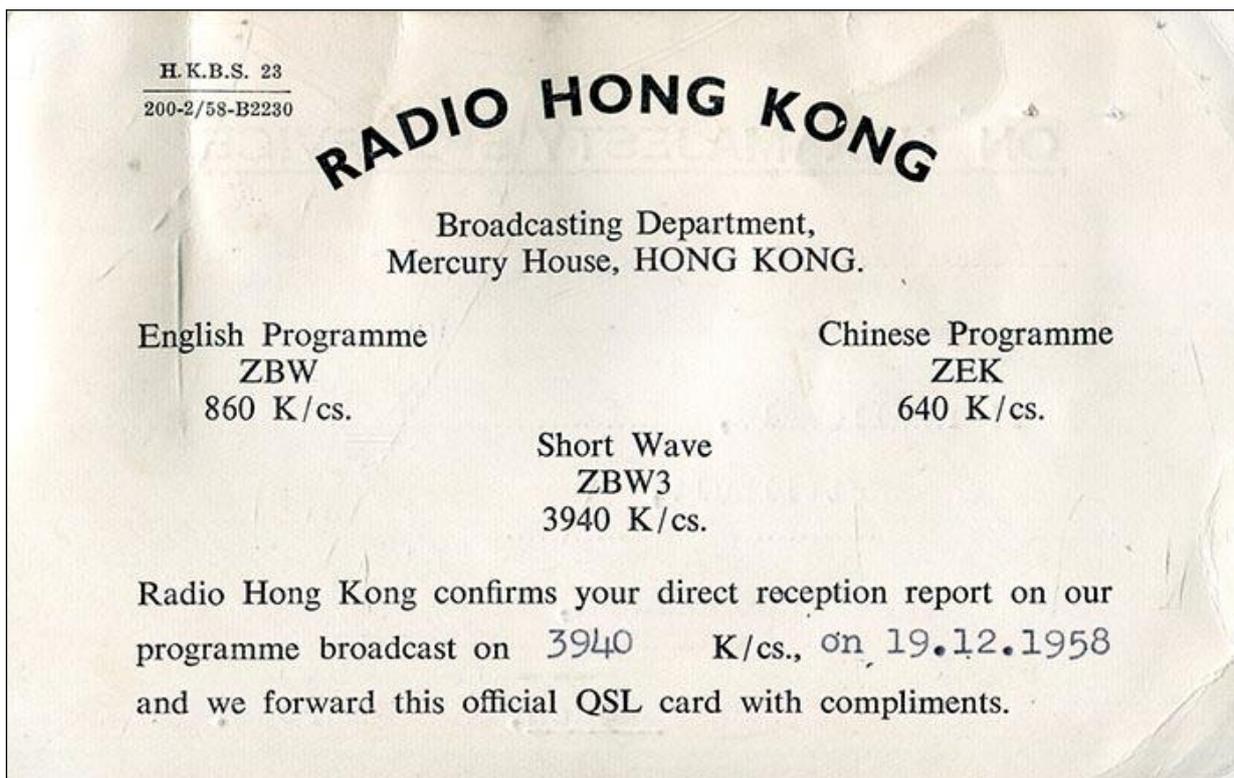
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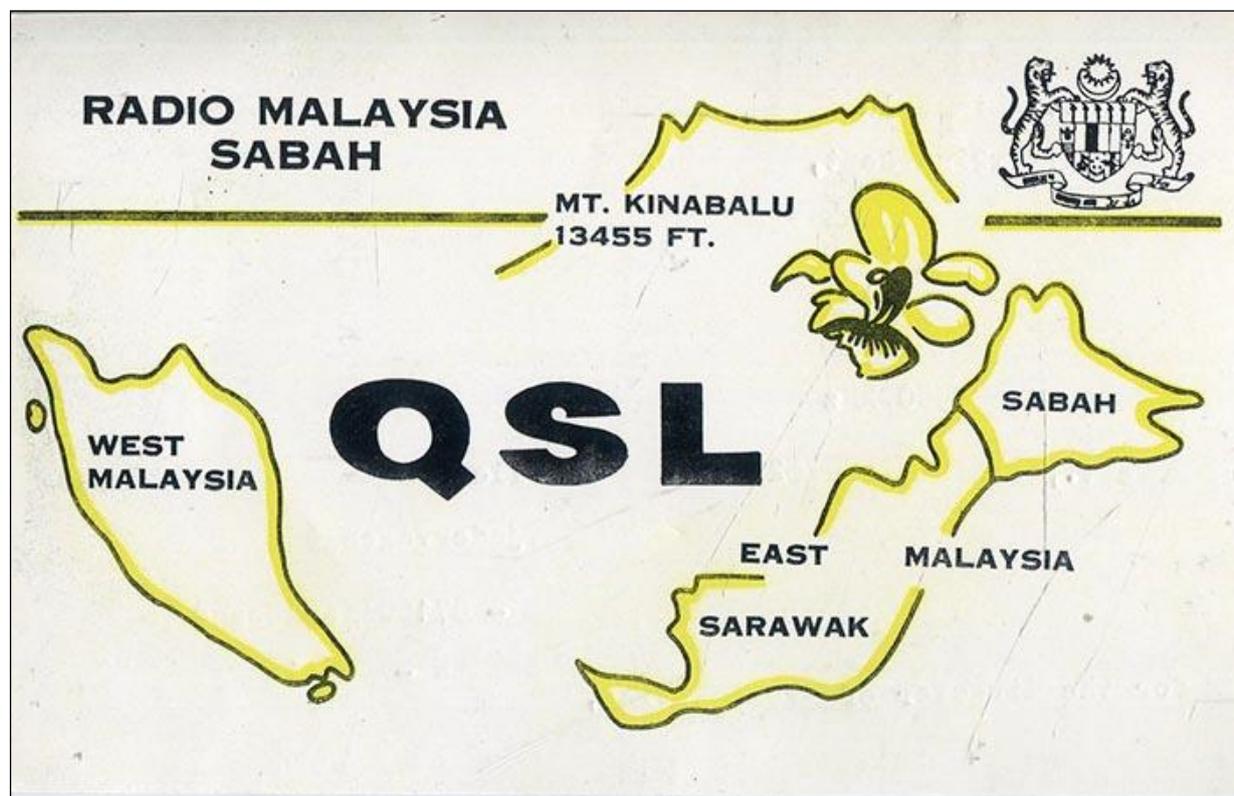
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Below OA:s QSL from Radio Hong Kong. In later years the station could be heard in the 75 metre band broadcasting weather reports during a regatta in the South China Sea.



Another QSL card from Olle's collection: Radio Malaysia Sabah. Olle reported it on 5980 kHz but it was somewhat more common on 4970 kHz.



Our final QSL this time is a letter which Olle Alm received from Angolan station Rádio Clube de Moçâmedes. Their SW transmitter was a notorious drifter and if my memory serves me right it could be heard on 5192 kHz for a while – quite a bit away from their regular frequency of 5015 kHz. As usual contributions to this column are always welcome: scans of radio nostalgia: old QSLs, pennants, clippings or whatever you can think of. Please mail me at info @ rock.x.se if you want to share something interesting. Take care and stay safe.



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Excelentíssimo Senhor:

Acusamos a recepção da Carta de V.Exa., dando-nos a conhecer que escuteu um dos nossos Emissores de onda curta, em 5015 /kilocíqles em -19 de Julho de 71, às 22.2e e 2305 TMG, facto que nos deu bastante satisfação, pois que os detalhes indicados conferem com a nossa programação desse dia.

Agradecemos ainda os informes que nos presta sobre as condições de escuta.

Queira aceitar os n/ cumprimentos, subscrevemo-nos com apreço,

A BEM DA RÁDIO
 PELA DIRECÇÃO
 O PRESIDENTE

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