

SHORTWAVE BULLETIN

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Shortwave is not that exciting anymore. One exception though – re-activation of R Congo on 6115 caused a lot of comments in the groups.

But except for that more or less the same stations are reported week after week.

The trend is that the broadcasting stations disappear rapidly. Instead religious and clandestine stations can be found all over.

Let's hope that the small, private Australian station also can be heard here in Europe during winter time. Chasing them are thrilling.

Of course we listen to shortwave for different reasons. Some are program listeners and some are station hunters. As it seems there is something interesting for all of us.

If you want to take part of more logs than found in SWB – look at the **Useful log links.**

Keep on

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QSL, comments, etc.

Something you might have to consider: How many of you have bought flowers for your wife/girlfriend when a new receiver was bought? If not – maybe you are in trouble. /TN



Picture from Christoph Ratzer in A-DX Fernempfang

Anker Petersen: In August no less than 63 broadcasting stations were heard in the Tropical bands by DX-ers all over the world!

Download www.dswci.org and click Tropical Bands Monitor / Latest issue.

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

Daniel Camporini has sent us some nice recordings of Argentine shortwave stations of the past. One recording contains clips of LR3-Radio Belgrano, LR4-Radio Splendid, LR1-Radio El Mundo, and LRA1-Radio Nacional; and the second is a recording of a multilingual ID of Radiodifusion Argentina al Exterior, from the 1980s. Look for the red "New" in "DX History-I/Recordings/Station IDs by Country." *Thanks, Daniel.* -- In "Specialized Resources," we have added the following audio-only item to the Wavescan list: "American Radio Stations in New Zealand--Part 2" (Wavescan N705, August 28, 2022). And these two audio listings have now been replaced by text scripts: N698 ("Lighthouse Radio in Australia") and N699 ("The Radio Scene During the 1937 Flood in Cincinnati, Ohio"). -- And please note that, as of August 31, 2022, we have stopped updating "Media Network Vintage Vault: An Index," which is also located in "Specialized Resources." The index to date remains posted, however. Although new entries by Jonathan have been fewer recently, the trove of shortwave broadcasting historical information contained in this library of Media Network programs, some as far back as 1980 (when it was still "DX Jukebox"), is a treasure. Shortwave history fans should be hugely grateful to Jonathan for the massive effort that has gone into this project. *Many thanks, OM!* (Jerry Berg via DXPlorer)

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_0825_0831.txt

Previous issue: https://www.w4uvh.net/ghlogs_2022_0818_0824.txt

Useful log links:

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

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

WWDXC Top News: <https://www.wwdxc.de/topnews.shtml>

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

DX Fanzine: www.dxfanzine.com (also pirate stations)

Liangas: <https://zliangaslogs.wordpress.com/2022/> (mostly using KIWI's around the world)

Pirates: <https://shortwavedx.blogspot.com/2022/>

3310	Aug24	0033	Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cotapachi, Quechua, comments. (Méndez)
3325			Voice of Indonesia, Palangkaraya, through Aug 27, still off the air (1120+); now absent for over a week. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
3915	Aug24	2225	BBC, Kranji English conversation, ID: "You are tuned to the BBC World Service", news (AP-DNK) + (CGS)
3955	Sep3	0115	Channel 292, Rohrbach US English religious talk "Hallelujah" for audience (AP-DNK)
3995	Aug30	1825	HCJB, Weenermoor. German preaching, "Amen", hymn. Also heard at 0110-0115 3.9 Russian hymns (AP-DNK) + (CG)
4666			<i>"When I need a break from my regular SW listening, I tune into 4666-USB, to listen to the Tokyo Area Control Center, located in the Namiki area of Tokorozawa, Saitama Prefecture, north of Tokyo. Controller for Tokyo airport, all in English, on Sept 1 [2016], at 1253, with several planes in the air; calling into "Tokyo Radio," with wind conditions and amount of fuel remaining. Just something a little different to listen to. Heard regularly" [Am still hearing this one regularly!]. (Ron Howard, California via WOR)</i>
4750	Sep3	1915	Bangladesh Betar, Shavar, Bengali, comments. (Méndez)
4752	Aug21	0001	R. Huanta 2000, Huanta; Spanish talks seems ads, local music. Unreadable, fady, poor to fair (LOB-B)
4765	Sep3	0125	Tajik R 1, Yangiyul. Tajik talk, songs, QRM R Progreso (AP-DNK)
4775.1	Aug23	2228	R.Tarma, Tarma. Cast, songs. 2 (CGS) + (Méndez)
4810	Aug11	0857	R. Logos, Peru, San Martin; pop & gospel music selections, hour announcements "tres de la mañana e cincuenta e nueve minutos, quatro de la mañana punto", (0359, 0400 local time) short andean music, instrumental music, return of pop gospel. Logos usually starts broadcasting around 1000, two or three times a week at 0930, also sometimes before 0900 like this listening. Fair to good, some fade and STANAG underneath (LOB-B)
4835	Aug21	1318	"Shortwave Australia," ; non-stop easy-listening music; sounded like Irish music with flutes & harps; every 10 minutes YL heard briefly with assume IDs (unreadable) at 1320, 1330, 1340. An excellent day here! (Ron Howard, California)
4840	Sep3	0130	WWCR, Nashville, English religious talk (AP-DNK)
4885.04	Sep3	0135	R Clube do Pará, Belém, talk (AP-DNK) + (CG) + (Méndez)
4940	Aug27	1000	Voice of Strait. Pleased to note they still give the English ID - "This is the Voice of Taiwan Strait News Radio"; QRM from UNID station from Colombia; this is the only time I have found the English ID given; not // to the other VOS station on 4900. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
4940	Sep4	0414	Unknown relaying Fueza de Paz, religious comments and songs, "Llaneras". (Méndez)
4950	Aug20	0017	R. Nacional de Angola, Mulenvos; hi life music, dialect male talks. RNA continues exclusively dialect talks and African music, instead of Portuguese talks and some pop music as is used to be. Nothing in Portuguese talks, at least what I could hear. Good reception (like this) sometimes around 0000, but usually better at 0500 to 0540 here (LOB-B)
4965	Aug27	1833	Voice of Hope Africa, Lusaka, English, religious comments. (Méndez)
4985	Aug29	0545	Radio Brasil Central, program "Madrugada Musical". (Méndez) + (CG)
4985			Radio Brasil Central, Goiania, 0421-0519, 04-09, Brazilian songs, "Madrugada Musical". (Méndez)
5010	Sep3	0140	WRMI, Okeechobee, English talk (AP-DNK)

5020	Aug28	1310	SIBC heard from tune-in at 1310 to still on the air past 1505+; long segments of non-stop religious songs in English, followed by long segments of religious songs in Pijin; this is their usual Sunday format when they run their extended broadcast past their normal sign off (1200*); no announcements, so must be SIBC programming and not the relay of Wantok FM, which has announcements. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
5025	Sep3	0145	R Rebelde, Bauta conversation mentioning Cuba many times, music, weak CWQRM (AP-DNK)
5045	Aug21	1235	Bay Islands Radio/Island FM , 1235-1315; about the best ever reception here; non-stop rock songs (Hall and Oates - "Rich Girl," Robert Palmer - "Addicted To Love," etc.); no announcements, so assume it was them; slight QRM from China on 5050. (Ron Howard, California)
5915	Aug26	-1400*	Myanmar Radio. Fair to good reception of music program. (LOB-B)
5930	Sep2	1834	World Music R (p), Bramming. Mx. 1 (CG)
5952			R. Pio XII, Siglo Veinte. Last listening with audible modulation at 24/7. After that only a carrier with het after 2158 at 7, 13, 14, 20/8; at 20, 21/8 from 2158 until 0030. (LOB-B)
5955	Dep4	0607	Sunlite Radio, Westdorpe, pop songs in English, id. "Sunlite". (Méndez)
5970	Sep3	0155	R 208, Hvidovre. Danish ann, pop songs. // 1440 MW was silent (AP-DNK) + (CG)
5985	Aug27	*1116-	Myanmar Radio. Suddenly on; already in progress and // 9730 (under very strong Alaska, in stilted Chinese). (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
5995	Aug27	1844	Radio Mali, Bamako, African songs, id. "La Radio National du Mali", "ORTM, la passion du service public" at 1850 "English Magazine", news and comments about Mali in English. Also 0600-0621, 29-08. (Méndez) + (CG)
6050	Sep4	-0500*	HCJB, Pichincha, Ecuadorian songs, SS, comments about Ecuador "La cultura de Cotacollo", id. "HCJB", at 0357 eclipsed by Algeria on the same frequency. At 0457 Algeria closed and HCJB heard again with National Anthem and closed. (Méndez)
6070	Sep1	0612	CFRX, Toronto, news, comments. Channel 292 out of the air. (Méndez)
6090	Sep3	1715	Voice of Amhara State, Addis Ababa, Vernacular, East African songs. (Méndez)
5129.974	Sep3	0230	Greek Music Refuge` 0230-0300 on WBCQ R. Angela, nice music with very brief announcements in between, presumably Zach Liangas giving song titles; S9/+10 and not too stormnoisy into Maryland SDR; followed by `FTIOM` (Glenn Hauser, OK) + (Liangas) + (AP-DNK)
6110	Aug25	1840	Radio Fana, Addis Ababa, Vernacular, comments. (Méndez)
6115	Aug30	-1825*	R Congo, Brazzaville - reactivated - last heard Aug 2021, French news mentioning Congo, 1812 musical interlude, 1819 African songs, abrupt s/off periodic CWQRM (AP-DNK)
6115	Sep3	0515	checked for Radio Congo on 6115, starting at 0515+; about 0525 had an extremely weak carrier; by 0545, the signal was considerably stronger, but still no audio heard; finally about 0555 heard definite audio with announcers; mostly unusable; a few seconds before 0600, the DRM started up and completely blocked 6115. So from 0525+ their signal very slowly improved. Assume they are still testing the new transmitter and running much less than 50KW at this time? No QRM from Japan for this time period, but heard later with good signal. (Ron Howard, California) + (Méndez) + (Christoph Ratzler)
6120	Aug30	-1800*	Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi Uighur ann, opera, ID: "Xinjiang", time signal // 7205 (AP-DNK)
6130	Aug24	0615	Radio Jong Europa, Alphen, pop songs in English. (Méndez)
6140	Sep3	1701	Radio Onda, Borculo, pop songs, id. "Radio Onda". (Méndez)
6180	Sep3	2033	Radio Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia, comments, Brazilian songs. //11780. (Méndez)
6180	Sep4	-0359*	World Christian Broadcast. La Voz Alegre, Mahajanga, 0348-0359*, 04-09, Spanish, religious comments and songs. (Méndez)
6185	Aug28	2000	Radio Classic Sunday (via Radio Piepender) with nice music and comments in mainly Dutch. 3 (CB) + (Méndez)
6185	Sep4	0405	Radio Educación, Ciudad de México, comments, "La Coordinadora Nacional de Protección Civil", "Espacio sobre la actualidad Internacional", classical music, id. "1060 AM, Radio Educación, la radio cultural de México". (Méndez).
6676U	Aug23	*1420-	Singapore Radio, *1420-1424*, a VOLMET station (the word is derived from the French words "vol" [flight] and "météo" [weather]); "All stations. This is Singapore Radio"; Asian weather (Kuala Lumpur, Soekarno-Hatta, Brunei, Bali, etc.); "Broadcast ends. Singapore Radio out"; very readable. Today's audio is posted at http://bit.ly/3PV3iBI . (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
7110	Sep4	*0400	Radio Ethiopia, Deja Gera, very strong carrier, very weak audio readable at times. Transmitter failure? (Méndez)
7254.9	Aug29	*0555-	Voice of Nigeria, Abuja Lugbe, African songs, at 0559 interval signal, at 0600 Vernacular, comments. Also noted 1758. (Méndez)
7385	Sep3	1644	PSB Xizang, Lhasa, English, comment, Tibetan songs. (Méndez)
8812U	Aug25	*1239-	Ho Chi Minh Radio (presumed) - Vietnam Coastal Station, *1239-1241*. One of the many VISHIPEL (Vietnam Maritime Communications and Electronics LLC) coastal stations; marine coastal conditions in Vietnamese; segment started with tones and phone ringing; *1241-

1243*, in English; somewhat readable; "Weather information for South China coastal waters provided by the Hong Kong observatory . . Area forecast for the next 24 hours . . Outlook for the following 48 hours . . End of Broadcast." On Aug 25, warning info about tropical storm Ma-on. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)

9450 Aug25 0642 S4/S6 too close to 9455 WRMI, ME music, not Qur`an, on another new frequency from Béchar site; and not // France relay still extant on 9620. Ivo Ivanov says 9450 switched to 17600 at 0800/0802 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR 2153) + (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)

9635 Sep3 1612 Radio Mali, Bamako, French, Malian soccer, live matches. (Méndez) + (CGS)

9665.1 Sep1 2108 R.Voz Missionária, Camboriú. Rlgs. propag., phone-ins. Co-ch. QRM. 3 (CG) + (Méndez)

9810 Aug31 2010 Radio Cairo in French. Extremely distorted audio quality making understanding of the spoken content quite impossible. This has now been going on for years. (CB)

9818.8 Sep3 2007 Radio 9 de Julho, Sao Paulo, religious comments, (Méndez) + (CGS at 0925)

9835 Aug27 1048 Sarawak FM. Islamic call-to-prayer (Maghrib - sunset prayer); fair/good. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.) + (CGS)

9835 Sep4 Sarawak FM, Kajang, 0850-0920, 04-09, Malaysian songs and comments. (Méndez)

11630 Aug27 0840 11630 // 12055, CNR17 (Kazakh Language Service, but it should be noted that they are not always in that language). In Chinese, but after 0900 heard in Kazakh; after 1200, gone from 12055 and started on 9630 and still in Kazakh. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)

11665 Aug24 0930 Wai FM via RTM, Kajang. Songs, tks. Deteriorating, vy. poor at 1030. 3 (CGS)

11815 Sep3 2010 Radio Brasil Central, Goiania, 2010-2035, 03-09, Brazilian songs, id. "Radio Brasil Central". (Méndez) + (CGS 0920)

11835 Aug31 0627 RV still absent (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

11895.3 Sep1 2104 R.Boa Vontade, Pt.º Alegre. Tks, surely rlgs. propag. Barely audible on // 9550.137. (CG)

15190 Sep1 2106 R.Inconfidência, Belo Horizonte MG. Px A Hora do Fazendeiro. 2 (CG) + (Méndez)

17600 Aug30 *1800- R Algérienne, Bechar Arabic ID, talk from new transmitter (AP-DNK)

CLANDESTINE

3910 Sep1 2050 Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks, songs. 1 (CG)

3930 Aug31 2106 Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. 1 (CG)

3980 Sep1 2100 R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Gyengi-do. Kor to KRE, tks. 1 (CG)

3990 Aug27 2119 R.Echo Of Hope (cland.) (p), Gyengi-do. Empty carrier. 3 (CG)

4880 Aug22 2119 R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Nowong-gu. Kor to KRE, tks. 2 (CGS)

4885 Sep1 1900 R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Nowong-gu. Kor to KRE, jingle, nx. Jammed. 2 (CG)

6017 Sep4 0346 Clandestine, Spanish, comments, Colombian songs. At 0358 eclipsed by Romania signing on on 6020 with Romanian program. At 0527 Romania should close on 6015 and the Colombian should be heard again if it is still on the air. (Méndez)

6245 Aug22 1936 R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, E lang. lesson. 3 (CGS)

6250 Aug29 2111 R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks. 3 (CG)

6350.1 Aug22 2121 R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks. Blocked by uty. signal. 2 (CGS)

6370 Aug30 2132 Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 1 (CG)

6520 Aug31 2103 Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. Jammed. 3 (CG)

7730.1 Sep2 2200 Sound Of Hope R Int'l., unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. Adj. QRM de TWN on 7730 in Cast to Eur+NAm. 1 (CG)

9095 Aug23 2203 R.Echo Of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks. Adj. uty. QRM. 3 (CGS)

9120 Aug29 2113 Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 1 (CG)

9140.2 Sep2 2147 Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 1 (CG)

9180 Sep2 2151 Sound Of Hope R Int'l., unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks, songs. 1 (CG)

9230.2 Sep2 2149 Sound Of Hope R Int'l., unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks, songs. 2 (CG)

9300 Aug23 2209 Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 2 (CGS)

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Station news

CONGO. Yesterday 30 August at 18.00 UTC I heard **Radio Congo** with news in French by satellite. Surprisingly, the latest of major news was the introduction of a new shortwave transmitter! here is the short announcement: "*Radio Congo partout en ondes courtes un nouvel émetteur plus efficace a été mis en service aujourd'hui à la station de ...*". A 1 minute video with the above mentioned summary of main news from Radio Congo is available on DX Fanzine (the sw bulletin for which I am the editor) Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/antonello.napolitano.39/videos/635345928151630>

It should be assumed that on 28th August when both Manuel Mèndez and myself, logged the station on 6115 kHz Radio Congo was testing this new transmitter. (Antonio Napolitano via WOR)

[bdxc-news] Radio Congo, new 50 kW shortwave transmitter



Media: Télédiffusion du Congo with a new transmitter

The Chief of Staff to the Minister of Communication and Media, Antoine Oviebo Ethaï, officially received a new shortwave transmitter on August 30 after several tests carried out in Brazzaville.

The device was installed at the Djoué transmitter center by Chinese experts, the result of Sino-Congolese cooperation. The work was carried out for two months. The shortwave transmitter has a capacity of 50kw. It will operate on the frequency of

6,015 KH [sic]* in the 49m band, capable of serving the entire national territory as well as beyond the African continent.

The ceremony of handing over this antenna was marked by the signing of the end of works documents between the Chinese experts and the technical adviser, also acting director of the Télédiffusion du Congo, Martin Songa.

The technical advisor explained on this occasion that the new transmitter comes to complete the lack of coverage of the national channel in information with frequency modulation transmitters.

"The first transmitter installed at PK 13 has lived. It has become obsolete from the point of view of signal quality", he indicated, adding that "the new transmitter delivers a quality signal close to the modulated frequency because when you listen to the radio in frequency modulation the signal will be identical throughout the country".

At the end of the ceremony, the Chinese experts received certificates of honor from the Congolese side.

/Lydie Gisele Oko

Captions and photo credits: The short wave transmitter handed over to the Télédiffusion du Congo (Adiac) translated from original in French at: <https://www.adiac-congo.com/content/medias-la-teledifusion-du-congo-dotee-dun-nouvel-emetteur-140824> and 1 Sept 2022 edition of Les Depeches de Brazzaville: https://www.lesdepechesdebrazzaville.fr/flex/php/simple_document.php?doc=20220901_DBZ_DBZ_ALL.pdf

[*frequency should read 6115 kHz, as logged by Manuel Mendez on 28th August, below] (73, Alan Pennington to: "bdxc-news@groups.io" <bdxc-news@groups.io> via WOR)

The logo certainly looks like that for Beijing BBEF Science & Technology Co., Ltd.: <https://transmitter168.en.ec21.com/> Next to the logo, looks like: "SW-50D" (Ron Howard, California via WOR)

Yes, the transmitter model is SW-50D. This photo (plus three others) on the Chinese Ambassador to Congo's Facebook page yesterday <https://www.facebook.com/chinaembcongobz> (73 Alan Pennington via WOR)

KOREA SOUTH. Was unfamiliar with the **VOH** sign on format, so was very intrigued by Richard's report about hearing a "foghorn" (Thanks Richard!), which I had never heard at any time in the past. Today when I checked for the weekly VOH frequency changes, indeed heard the new format of foghorn at the ToH; noted foghorn at 1300 UT and into the news in Korean (item about "Australia, Queensland," etc.); also again at 1401 and again at 1500 (brief audio attached), followed by the "Oneul-ui sosig" (Today's News) program.

VOH today on 3980 // 4885 // 5990 // 6250 // 6348 (VOH's only off frequency!) // 9100 kHz.; good from Aug 29 to Sept 4.

(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)

NEW ZEALAND. Radio Neuseeland mit zweitem Kurzwellensender. Die neuen zusätzlichen Kurzwellensendungen finden von Sonntag bis Freitag statt:

1651-1755 7425 kHz
1756-1955 9700 kHz
1956-2058 11725 kHz

Der vollständige Zeitplan findet sich unter <https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/listen>

Die Sendung um 16.51 UT ist jetzt gut in Salzburg zu hören.

(73 Christoph RAatzer via A-DX <https://ratzer.at>)

NORFOLK ISLANDS: [WOR] 5045, Norfolk Island update

Hi Nick, Well, September is here, so it's time to enquire how your plans are going to resume SW broadcasting? Hope things are going well for you otherwise. Now that Norfolk has achieved SWBC Radio Country status, I am sure there will be a lot of interest in what's next. 73, Glenn (to Nick Hacko, NSW, Sept 1)

Hi Glenn, I am back to Norfolk on 18th. I am still looking for a 1 KW AM transmitter with no luck whatsoever. Had some preliminary exchange with a firm in Slovenia, they are out of components. The other manufacturer who advertises 1KW TX admitted they actually never made one. Also my power bill on Norfolk is \$1200 per quarter about 4 times more than on Australian mainland. Design for QSL cards has been sent to printer in Ukraine --- God knows when they will be printed and shipped. Bottom line: frustrating, but I'll be back on air - hopefully one day soon.

73 Nick Hacko, VK2DX

Radio DX, 5045, tested from Norfolk Island with World of Radio participation until April 28; Nick said he hoped to resume in September. Not to be confused with the Queensland station continuing on 5045 (as on WORLD OF RADIO 2154)

SOLOMON ISLANDS: SIBC to air news supporting government only

SIBC to air news supporting government only Written by Eddie Osifelo - August 1, 2022, By EDDIE OSIFELO

OFFICE of Prime Minister and Cabinet has ordered Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation (SIBC) to do self-censorship on its news and programmes.

This means SIBC is not allowed to broadcast any news and paid programmes that are against the government.

Acting Chairman of SIBC Board, Dr William Parairato met with staff of SIBC yesterday and informed them that any news or talkback show must go through a vetting process to make sure it does not create disunity.

Island Sun asked what this means for news or press statements from the Opposition Leader, who has the mandate as the watchdog of the Government to be critical of its decisions.

Parairato said it is not clear but all news and talkback shows must now go through a vetting process.

Previously, SIBC had allowed talkback show paid programmes like Transparency Solomon Islands, National Council of Women and Opposition Leader, Mathew Wale, MP for Small Malaita, Rick Hou and former Auditor General, Edward Ronia to be broadcasted on air that were critical of government's decision to extend Parliament from four to five years.

SIBC had also provided full live coverage of Australia Minister of Foreign Affairs Penny Wong's visit to Honiara recently because the Australia High Commission paid for it.

Unlike the visit of Peoples Republic of China (PRC) Foreign Minister, Wang Yi visit to Honiara, there was no full live coverage because the PRC Embassy did not pay for it.

Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare told Parliament this week when asked by Opposition Leader, Matthew Wale on government's level of control in transition period over SIBC editorial policy.

Sogavare said they will not go to the extent of telling everything government wants to say.

"We are concerned about certain things we are not happy about.

"In the Broadcasting Act, I can report to Parliament," he said.

SIBC was added to the schedule of the State-Owned Enterprises Act 2007, however the Government omitted it because it did not perform its core functions and not giving any dividends to the government since 2018.

Special Secretary to Prime Minister, Albert Kabui told media yesterday SIBC still remain as a statutory body under the Broadcasting Act Cap.112.

Kabui said its operational and functions will be guided by Broadcasting Act which established SIBC way back in 1977 and which SIBC has been operating up until 2007.

"I think the broadcast content management will determine, more of an administrative operation thing.

"Only Board Prime Minister can appoint," he said.

Kabui said off course there is provision in the Broadcasting Act where PM can ask SIBC to broadcast any news on national interest.

"To take full control is not necessarily correct," he said.

Related story (Aug 30):

<https://news.usni.org/2022/08/30/solomon-islands-blocks-all-naval-port-visits-after-u-s-coast-guard-cutter-denied-entry> .

"Solomon Islands Prime Minister Sogavare has announced a temporary moratorium on visits by foreign naval vessels after turning away a U.S Coast Guard Cutter last week . . .

Since the deal was signed, Sogavare has been accused of consolidating power along Chinese lines. **Last month the state-owned broadcaster, SBIC, was brought under the direct editorial control of the government**, while Sogavare has gone so far as to **suggest banning foreign journalists from the country.**"

BTW - Aug 30, noted SIBC (5020) with National Anthem (1201-1203 UT); followed by non-stop pop songs; still on the air after 1505+. Yesterday also heard SIBC still running past 1445+ UT.

(Ron Howard, California via WOR)

Other radio news

TEXAS RADIO SHORTWAVE

September 2022 Program Schedule

Sep	09/03/22	2300	WRMI	5950	TRSW On Stage: Austin City Limits TV #1
	09/04/22	0000	WRMI	5950	TRSW Special: Vikki Carr
	09/04/22	0100	WRMI	5950	TRSW Prime: Tanya Tucker
	09/10/22	2300	WRMI	5950	TRSW On Stage: Austin City Limits TV #1 (R)
	09/11/22	0000	WRMI	5950	TRSW Special: Vikki Carr (R)
	09/11/22	0100	WRMI	5950	TRSW Prime: Tanya Tucker (R)
	09/17/22	0900	Channel 292	6070	TRSW Prime: Tanya Tucker
	09/17/22	1800	Channel 292	3955	TRSW On Stage: 2022 Bastrop Music Festival - Week 1
	09/17/22	2300	WRMI	5950	TRSW Retrospective: The Lone Ranger (2 episodes)
	09/18/22	0000	WRMI	5950	TRSW On Stage: 2022 Bastrop Music Festival - Week 1
	09/18/22	0100	WRMI	5950	TRSW Retrospective: Gunsmoke (2 episodes)
	09/24/22	2300	WRMI	5950	TRSW Retrospective: The Lone Ranger (2 episodes) (R)
	09/25/22	0000	WRMI	5950	TRSW On Stage: 2022 Bastrop Music Festival - Week 2
	09/25/22	0100	WRMI	5950	TRSW Retrospective: Gunsmoke (2 episodes) (R)
	09/25/22	0100	WBCQ	5130	Austin Saturday Night
	09/25/22	0200	WBCQ	6160 #	TRSW Prime: Tanya Tucker

In addition to these scheduled broadcasts, WRMI may air TRSW programs on unannounced dates, times and frequencies.

This program is simulcast at <http://splatterbox.us/area51>

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We're always happy to hear from listeners. Email us if you like hearing the music we play. If you have a favorite Texas musician, let us know. We may be able to add them to one of our shows. We'll send you a personal reply, a program schedule so you can find us on the dial, and some information to help you get more from your shortwave listening. Please email us at texasradiosw@gmail.com.

(Terry N5RTC, Austin, Texas USA)

Almost like dinosaurs - what happened to plasma TVs.

Plasma TVs were once considered the pinnacle of technology and offered the best picture quality, but now they are hard to find commercially. Where did the "plasma" disappear to? ...

Details in Russian - <https://zoom.cnews.ru/b/post/tehnoblog/76911>

(https://vk.com/radio.tv_31)

(RUS-DX #1201)

Radio Sputnik began broadcasting in Kherson.

Listening to Sputnik radio has become available to Kherson residents, Margarita Simonyan, editor-in-chief of Rossiya Segodnya MIA and RT TV channel, said in a telegram channel. During the special operation, the Russian military took control of the Kherson region and the Azov part of the Zaporozhye region, occupying such large cities as

Kherson, Melitopol and Berdyansk, and cutting off Ukraine from the Sea of Azov. New administrations have been formed in both regions, Russian TV channels and radio stations are broadcasting, trade and transport links with Crimea are being restored. The regions also announced plans to become part of Russia.

photo: RIA Novosti / Alexander Kryazhev | text: tass.ru
(https://onair.ru/main/enews/view_msg/NMID_83936/)
(RUS-DX #1200)

R Angela program

Zacharias Liangas: I'm now co host in the **Greek Music refuge** which is a program with my music selections.



Our program is transmitted every Saturday on 5130 kHz on 0230 to 0300 UTC with songs selected by me (Zacharias). Feedback will be also appreciated. Email is heard in the end of the program.

The announcement of Bill Tilford for the **Greek Music Refuge** as per schedule of R Angela is (Fridays 10:30 pm-11:00 pm EDT) / Saturdays 0230-0300 UTC.

Hosts: Bill Tilford (US) and Zacharias Liangas (Greece) with a format of Greek music. Since the Voice of Greece left broadcast shortwave for satellite and internet, Greek Music Refuge is the last remaining regular program of Greek music on the shortwave bands.

e-mail: tilfordproductions@gmail.com

-for the moment different thematic programs for Greek Music Refuge each week. This week with 'new wave' melo-erotic ballads of 60s.

The complete schedule can be downloaded here: <http://wbcq.com/radio-angela-schedule-september-2022.pdf>



(Zacharias Liangas)

Mikhail Gorbachev died on August 30 at the age of 92.

The Central Clinical Hospital stated that the politician died “after a severe and prolonged illness”, he had kidney problems for a long time ...

Gorbachev took office as General Secretary of the Central Committee of the CPSU in 1985. In this post, he proclaimed a course of perestroika - a set of economic, political, social and ideological reforms. The results of this period were democratic transformations, the end of the Cold War and the arms race, on the one hand, but on the other, the difficult economic situation and the growth of separatist sentiments in the Soviet republics. At the end of 1991, with the collapse of the USSR, Gorbachev resigned as head of state ...

(https://www.rbc.ru/politics/31/08/2022/630f1dfe9a79473ead5c55e2?utm_source=yxnews&utm_medium=desktop)

About our hobby. In my memory during perestroika, free access to postal communications with the countries of the world was opened and active correspondence and contacts with radio stations and DX-listeners all over the world began. Many postal bans have been lifted. Jamming of Western radio stations was also stopped and the air became clearer. The period of free DX-hobby in the USSR has come. DX bulletins began to appear in the country.

(Anatoly Klepov, Moscow, Russia)

In the early years of Perestroika, the jamming of "enemy voices" continued. The expert opinion on the “case of the CPSU” states that by a resolution of the Central Committee of the CPSU of September 25, 1986, it was decided to stop jamming the transmissions of some foreign radio stations (“Voice of America”, “BBC”) and increase the jamming of others (“Freedom” , Deutsche Welle). On May 23, 1987, the Soviet Union finally stopped jamming the radio

programs of the Voice of America and some other Western radio stations. The jamming of foreign radio stations in the USSR was completely stopped at the end of November 1988.

(https://ru.wikipedia.org/wiki/Foreign_broadcasting_on_the_USSR_territory)

(RUS-DX #1201)

[WOR] Tropical Bands Monitor, Sept update

<https://aer.org.es/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2022.pdf>

[WOR] The Glory Days of Shortwave Radio

Here is a well composed collection of Radio Interval Signals, tuning signals and intros of the SW stations around the World, illustrated with QSL cards. Enjoy about 40 minutes of nostalgic pleasure.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sf_UzdVtYKQ

(lev.lyt, Shortwavesites iog via WOR)

This is one of my favorite ("Liked") videos on YouTube! I also like:

- Interval Signals Online - (<http://www.intervalsignals.net/>)
- The Shortwave Radio Audio Archive - (<https://shortwavearchive.com/>)
- and The Media Network Vintage Vault - (<https://jonathanmarks.libsyn.com/>)

(Alex Kanavos, Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA via WOR)

Here's more: <https://lagalenadelsur.com/2013/10/25/senales-de-intervalo-de-emisoras-internacionales-de-la-onda-corta-compilacion-de-deutsche-welle/>

In this entry of my blog La Galena del Sur, we present the series produced by Deutsche Welle, from Germany, in an album, several years ago, that the Argentine DXer Rubén Guillermo Margenet, in Rosario, digitized and kindly forwarded to, sometime ago.

The blog is in Spanish. So you may want to translate it to English or other language with the Google translating tools, as well as the one provided by DeepL.

(73, Horacio Nigro CX3BZ, Uruguay via WOR)

European, Private Shortwave Stations

September 1st 2022

Only legal stations are included. Most stations use low power, but a few use several kW. Note that UTC is used here - neither CET nor CEST!

Abbreviations used: D = Germany, DNK = Denmark, FIN = Finland, NL = Netherlands

A.o. = and others, F.pl.: future plan, Int'l = International, Irr. = irregular, LT = Local time, 24/7 = twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week

Mo = Monday, Tu = Tuesday, We = Wednesday, Th = Thursday, Fr = Friday, Sa = Saturday, Su = Sunday

(kHz – Country – Station name, transmitter site, Schedule (UTC))

3955 – D – Radio Channel 292, Rohrbach Wall – Daily 0600-2000 & 2100-0500

3975 – D – Shortwave Radio, Winsen

3985 – D – Shortwave Service, Kall-Krekel – Daily 1400-1930 ('Radio Popexpress' a.o.)

3995 – D – HCJB, Weenermoor – 24/7

5920 – D – HCJB, Weenermoor – 24/7

5930 – DNK – World Music Radio, Bramming – Sa-Su 0600-2100

5940 – NL – Radio Piepzender, Zwolle – Irr.

5955 – NL – Sunlite, Westdorpe – Daily 0400-1800. From Oct 1st 0400-1500.

5970 – DNK – Radio208, Hvidovre – 24/7

5980 – DNK – Radio OZ-Viola, Hillerød – We 2100-2200

5980 – FIN – Scandinavian Weekend Radio, Virrat – 1st Sa of the month (not in September)

6005 – D – Shortwaveservice, Kall-Krekel – Daily 0800-1600

6005 – NL – Radio Delta International, Elburg – Irr. (Fr or Sa 2100-0300)

6020 – NL – Radio Delta International, Elburg – Irr. (Su 0600-1500)

6030 – D – Shortwaveservice, Kall-Krekel – Alternative to 6085 kHz

6055 – DNK – Radio OZ-Viola, Hillerød – Sa-Su 1100-1300

6070 – D – Radio Channel 292, Rohrbach Wall – 24/7

6085 – D – Shortwaveservice, Kall-Krekel – Daily 0700-1700 ('Radio MiAmigo Int'l')

6115 – D – Radio SE-TA 2, Gera – Irr. (Sa or Su 1000-1200)

6130 – NL – Radio Europe, Alphen a/d Rijn – 24/7

6140 – NL – Radio Onda, Belgium, Borculo – Irr. (weekends only)

6150 – D – Europa 24, Datteln

6160 – D – Shortwave Radio, Winsen

6170 – FIN – Scandinavian Weekend Radio, Virrat – 1st Sa of the month (not in September)
6185 – NL – Radio Piepzender, Zwolle – Irr.
7260 – NL – RockPower, Nijmegen – Irr. mornings (approx. 0800-1200)
7270 – NL – RockPower, Nijmegen – Irr. evenings (approx 1200-1600)
7365 – D – HCJB, Weenermoor – 24/7
7424 – NL – Radio Piepzender, Zwolle – Irr.
7445 – NL – Radio Piepzender, Zwolle – Irr. (0800-1800)
9670 – D – Radio Channel 292, Rohrbach Wall – 24/7
11690 – FIN – Scandinavian Weekend Radio, Virrat – 1st Sa of the month (not in September)
11720 – FIN – Scandinavian Weekend Radio, Virrat – 1st Sa of the month (not in September)
15700 – DNK – World Music Radio, Randers – Sa-Su 0700-2000
15785 – D – BitExpress, Erlangen – 24/7 DRM-modulation (‘Funklust’)
25800 – DNK – World Music Radio, Mårslet – 24/7

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[WOR] Radio HF Internet Newsletter items, August

All items via Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR CONSERVATION OF NATURE'S RED LIST

<https://www.iucnredlist.org/>

Established in 1964, the International Union for Conservation of Nature's Red List of Threatened Species has evolved to become the world's most comprehensive information source on the global extinction risk status of animal, fungus and plant species.

VESSEL FINDER

<https://www.vesselfinder.com/>

Founded as a vessel tracking service provider in 2011, VesselFinder is committed to providing the very highest standards of AIS-related services. We are dedicated in providing real-time data on the positions and movements of over 200,000 vessels every day, utilising a large network of Terrestrial AIS receivers and Satellites all over the world. Increasing the range of offered services over the years, VesselFinder has evolved into an international digital brand and become the premier source of vessel tracking solutions and news covering the world maritime industry.

TEXAS STORM CHASERS

<https://texasstormchasers.com/>

Your trusted source for no-bull Texas weather information since 2009. We provide down-to-earth and easy-to-understand and statewide and local weather updates during periods of active weather. Our followers can enjoy many helpful educational articles and summaries of past storm chases and weather events. We are here to help our followers understand and appropriately respond to Texas' ever-changing weather conditions. Texas Storm Chasers came to life in early 2009. Two amateur storm chasers were looking for a domain name to showcase their (admittedly novice) storm chasing footage. After an exhaustive search, we elected to purchase the ‘TexasStormChasers’ domain. We wanted a few simple web pages to showcase our storm-chasing pictures and videos.

(Edited and Distributed by Sheldon Harvey via WOR)

[nordx] Kalundborg 243 kHz. Varmt tillykke med de 95 år den 29. august 2022

The schedule for Kalundborg 243 kHz as quoted in <https://shortwaveschedule.com/index.php?freq=243> is valid until end of summertime (UTC):

Then it will be (UTC):	Then it will be (UTC):
03:45 / 04:05	04:45 / 05:05
06:00 / 07:05	07:00 / 08:05
09:45 / 10:15	10:45 / 11:15
15:45 / 16:15	16:45 / 17:15

(73s Ydun Ritz <https://mediumwave.info/2022/01/31/denmark-30/>

Lytterapporter vedr. 243 kHz kan sendes til: jseeberg@post3.tele.dk

(SHN, Stig Hartvig Nielsen)

Pacific Asian Log (PAL)

Hello everyone: The August 2022 edition of the **Pacific Asian Log (PAL)** is now available. It can be downloaded from the Radioheritage website <https://www.radioheritage.com/> (click on the link at the top center of the page) (Bruce Portzer (WOR))

The legendary and most popular in the seventies car radio Ural auto.



Rare and expensive. At the time of issue, it cost 186 rubles. Twice as expensive as the popular VEF 202. Informative scale, six ranges, nice warm backlight. The output stage of the low-frequency amplifier is assembled on germanium transistors. Powerful and pleasant sound. High sensitivity and selectivity. In the range of long and medium waves, it can receive on the built-in ferrite antenna. At short wavelengths, it catches very well both on a native telescope and on an external plug-in antenna. Carried out a complete preventive maintenance: cleaning, flushing, lubrication. As well as a complete replacement of all electrolytic capacitors.

https://vk.com/club206578745?w=wall-206578745_1920%2Fall

<https://vk.com/club206578745>

(RUS-DX #1200)

100 years ago, the first broadcast radio station in the Soviet Union began its work in Moscow.

This happened thanks to the research of the scientist Mikhail Bonch-Bruевич. And already in the 1930s, the Soviet Union captured a new hobby - amateur radio. In complete silence, the Radio Museum can not only be seen, but also heard. Recognize by the velvety sound of vintage radios. Gennady Petrovich at the age of 14 began to assemble and repair radios. At that time, the hobby was interesting and fashionable. "The boys climbed into the attics. You will find something, some kind of receiver, you will disassemble it, unsolder it. And that's how it started for me," shared the founder of the Museum of Radio Gennady Semenov. Gennady Petrovich opened the museum almost 10 years ago. There was already something to fill the halls. For 30 years he has been collecting radiograms and receivers from all over the world. Most of the collection is a tube radio ...

Details - https://onair.ru/main/enews/view_msg/NMID_83919/

(OnAir.ru)

(RUS-DX #1200)

LPFM gaining popularity in the US

While some European countries are cutting back on FM broadcasts, in the US, FM broadcasting is booming due to the proliferation of small, local "Low Power FM" (LPFM) radio stations, Radio Magazine reports.

This category of stations for non-commercial, educational, public safety and transportation purposes was created by the Federal Communications Commission in 2000.

By having their own transmitter, the radio stations emphasize their independence from the Internet as well as from the mainstream media groups.

In recent years, the number of low power broadcast licenses for small local radio stations has been on the rise.

These radio stations are equipped with transmitters up to 100 W, have a coverage area of approximately ten to twenty-five kilometers. Required investments - from 2 to 5 thousand dollars.

Natural disasters, such as Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, have contributed to the development of FM broadcasting. Due to the low power consumption of the transmitter, a diesel generator can be used for broadcasting, so that radio stations can transmit important information in emergency situations. "Proven technology for transmitting information in the event of a natural disaster, when power is interrupted, Internet access is disabled" is a favorite argument for applying for a license. This phenomenon worries national commercial networks, because many listeners are switching to these small radio stations, on the waves of which you can catch local news.

<https://swling.ru/2022/08/25/lpfm-nabiraet-populjarnost-v-ssha/>

<https://swling.ru/>

(RUS-DX #1200)

Radio Huayacocotla, pionera de la radiodifusión indígena en México, cumple 57 años

Radio
Huayacocotla

Please note this detailed article - <http://www.pateplumaradio.com/central/mexico/xejn.htm>

([condiglist] + Ron Howard via WOR)



More info here: <https://towardfreedom.org/story/archives/media/mexico-short-wave-radio-0304/>
<https://gruporadioescuchaargentino.wordpress.com/2022/08/20/radio-huayacocotla-pionera-de-la-radiodifusion-indigena-en-mexico-cumple-57-anos/>

[WOR] Moving to solar power without giving up DXing - is it possible?

Moving to solar power without giving up DXing - is it possible?

<https://groups.io/g/IRCA/topic/93162761>

List of SWL/Media Programmes

"[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.

Download link here: <https://www.wwdx.de/swl.pdf>

WOR - BC-DX items: Cold War radio jamming

CSSR/CSR/CZECH REPUBLIC history. re Czechoslovak Cold War radio jamming

In BC-DX-1513 under the topic "Czech Republic", I was interested to read all the information about the various Jamming sites in Czechoslovakia, prior to 1988.

I knew that Poland signed an agreement with other Warsaw Pact nations for jamming stations to be set up on their territory. Up to now, I did not know anything about the **Litzbarku-Warminski** (10 x 50 kW KW) and the **Stargard-Sczenski** (12 x 50 kW KW) jamming sites.

However, I do remember that after the 1980 riots in Poland, the site near Warsaw for Polish Radio External services, was used to jam Western broadcasts in Polish for a short time (not very effectively I would think). Regarding Czechoslovakia, a few years ago I found a report about the History of Jamming in that country. The author is Prokop Tomek. It is a very comprehensive historical document, but it takes a long time to read it all. At that time, I decided to make a list of the jamming stations which are mentioned in this document.

I attach a copy of it - you may be interested. Of all the East Bloc nations, I think Czechoslovakia was the country with the most aggressive jamming against Western broadcasts. I still very well remember the "smothering" of Deutschland-funk broadcasts in Czech and Slovak from Juelich and Wertachtal by sounds similar to Diesel engines and their call signs (such as L8 in particular), which were very irritating to listen to. (Alan Holder, G4ZBH, Isle of Wight, U.K., Aug 8 via WOR/BC-DX)

RX coax match and limiter with CMCC (common-mode current choke) in box



This is impedance matching transformer for 75 to 50 or 50 to 75 Ohm. Designed for your RX antenna system and offer more than impedance matching.

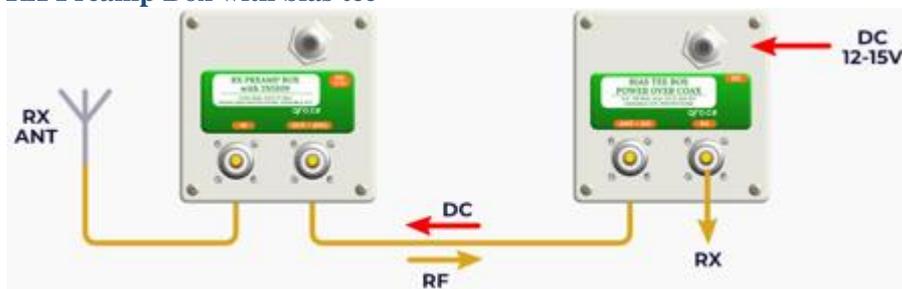
There is also RF limiter which protects your RX against high power. Two transformer design offer also common-mode current filtering. RF limiter protects your receiver against the high power RF signals and prevent from destruction.

These high RF signals are common in the multitransmitter environment - contest QTH, but also it can limit strong RF peak from the close lightning. Simply, but powerful, high voltage protection limits AC voltage peaks to 65 V. Transformers work as isolation and Common-mode current filter. Super Fuse protects against high current in the RX line and disconnect the circuit. This SuperFuse is big advantage compare to rest products at the market. Thanks to the circuit construction there is minimal problem with IMD. Limiter works for the signals higher than 20 mW.

This device do not degrade the dynamic range of the receiver. The signal which is limited by this protection is usually higher than the value which is in the dynamic range of most receivers on the market.

More info at <https://remoteqth.com/>

RX Preamp Box with bias tee



RX preamp BOX with 2N5109 [OK2ZAW](#)

This is very simply preamplifier BOX module with 2N5109 transistor based on W7IUV design. You can use it as high IP preamplifier for RX antennas (beverage, DHDL, flag etc).

Gain is up to 18dB and there is also build in variable ATT. You can easy set the gain as high as you need!

As well you can set right transistor bias with multi turn potentiometer. Two relays offer bypass switching if there is no power supply voltage. You can use external power supply connected to the box or the bias tee box for power over the coax.

More info at <https://remoteqth.com/>

Optional high IP3 preamplifier module for your own design



This is small low noise preamplifier module with 2SC5551 transistor based on W7IUV design. You can use it as high IP preamplifier for RX antennas, buffer amplifier or small driver in your own design. You can download KiCAD library and simply add it to your magic hardware :)

There is classic diode limiter at the input. Gain is up to 18dB and there is also built in variable ATT. You can set gain as high as you need!

Amplifier has got low noise - lower than 2 dB up to 50 MHz and around 2,2 dB at 150 MHz. Transistor bias could be set by the multi-turn potentiometer. Two relays offer bypass switching if there is no DC voltage.

More info at <https://remoteqth.com/>

Remoteqth has a lot of interesting products for improving your antenna installation. Please visit their website <https://remoteqth.com/>

[WOR] Argentina celebrates 102 years of radio, 26 August 2022

Radio Nacional Argentina will make a historic broadcast. There will be 52 uninterrupted hours on the air, with the participation of the 50 stations from all over the territory and as a tribute to the 102 years of Radio in our country.

The transmission will begin next Friday , August 26 at 8:00 p.m. and will end on Sunday, August 28 at 11:59 p.m.

In preparation for this historic event, a draw was held to determine the time slot that each of the stations that make up the State broadcasting system would have to produce and broadcast. It was chaired by the executive director Alejandro Pont Lezica and the station manager Juan Martin Ramos Padilla.

It will be a historic transmission, with the federal imprint that this management has given to the operation of Radio Nacional. Stations from all over the territory will participate, including LRA36 Radio Nacional Arcángel San Gabriel from Base Esperanza in Argentine Antarctica.

It will have the participation of more than 500 workers from all the stations, covering the technical operation in studios and transmission plants, journalistic production, locution, airing and coordination.

Throughout the 52 hours of transmission we will be able to enjoy the varied texture of the voices that give life to the air of Radio Nacional throughout our territory. There will be the record of the voices that made the Radio, the music that filled the silences and the recorded testimonies of the events that marked these 102 years of history in our country

The music, the voices and the history of our country synthesized in the air of the 50 stations of Radio Nacional, throughout 52 hours , in homage to the 102 years of Radiophony.

(Source: red43.com.ar via Steve Whitt mwcircle via WOR)

[nordx] WOR: Ken Zichi philosophizing ...

Back to radio: **Radio Sweden** went so far as to 'explain' when they turned off radio that 'we're sure long time listeners will be disappointed but we are sure that new listeners will find us on the platforms we will use.' Well OF COURSE they will. If you don't broadcast on radio any more, why would you think 'new listeners' would find you where you aren't? Have you seen any real data at to how many 'new' listeners R Sweden has now? I bet I know why! They lost their long time old listeners and gained dare I speculate ... not much.

Yes, the market was 'bad' but the 'response' was to 'shut it down' instead of 'improve the product'? I don't get it. And I'm not the least bit surprised that the 'smartphone generation' has NOT flocked to RCI, Radio Sweden, and Radio Netherland's websites. Are you? Is ANYONE? (I mean besides RCI, R Sweden and R Netherland.)

DRM remains a solution looking for a problem from what I can tell, largely because broadcasters don't understand what matters or critically how to *use* the technology.

Well, that and the fact that while it is 'open source' the DRM consortium insists on charging a license fee for the demodulators and makes downloading software to decode DRM PAINFUL in the process. I REALLY don't understand that! If you want people to use a product you don't make it DIFFICULT to find a working sample of it, now do you?

ANYWAY, thank you for the clarification, but I think it only confirms what I've been saying. And it behooves OTHER broadcasters to change the way they use DRM too if they're actually looking for an audience, that is!

(Ken Zichi, radioguy73@gmail.com via WOR)

Hammarlund RBG-2 and Scott RBO-2 Radio Restorations by Gary S.

<https://www.rfcafe.com/references/electrical/Hammarlund-RBG-2-Scott-RBO-2-Radio-Restorations-Gary-S.htm>

RF Cafe visitor and occasional contributor Gary S. just sent me photos of two fine looking vintage U.S. Navy radios that he restored to working order. The condition of the front panels on both radios is amazingly good. Here is Gary's *Tale of Two Radios*.

"I thought I would share with you my latest refurbished WW-II Navy receivers I acquired last spring. I say refurbished because I do what repairs are needed to get them operational again and then clean them up a bit. I consider a restoration to mean made to work and look like new again using original parts if they are available.

The first receiver is the [Hammarlund RBG-2](#) general coverage HF communications receiver. It covers from 540 kc to 32 mc. They didn't use Hertz in those days. It is basically an HQ-120X beefed up to Navy specs. The band spread dial is calibrated for the maritime HF communications bands. It has a BFO for CW and weak signal detection. No SSB in those days. It is a light-weight at around 65 pounds.



Hammarlund RBG-2



SCOTT RBO-2

The second receiver is a [Scott RBO-2](#) shipboard entertainment receiver. Also known as the moral[e] receiver. It receives the AM broadcast band and 5.6 to 15.6 mc split into 2 overlapping bands. Mode is AM only. As its name suggests, it was used to tune local or shortwave broadcast stations to be played on the ship's entertainment PA system. I don't doubt this receiver has been tuned into some of the [Tokyo Rose](#) broadcasts. This receiver is a heavy weight at 103 pounds.

Both of the receivers were DOA and looked like they had been through a war. Once I got 'em working, I gave the front panels a good cleaning and decided they didn't look too bad, battle scars and all. So I left the front panels in their original finish.

I pounded out the dents and dings in the cabinets and gave 'em a fresh coat of paint.

They don't just sit around here collecting dust. I fire them up often and tune the ether. They both have a great mellow sound to them."

<https://www.rfcafe.com/references/electrical/Hammarlund-RBG-2-Scott-RBO-2-Radio-Restorations-Gary-S.htm>

See more notes below photos: https://www.rfcafe.com/references/electrical/Hammarlund-RBG-2-Scott-RBO-2-Radio-Restorations-Gary-S.htm#Gary_continues:

DX nostalgia by RFK

Welcome for another dose of DX nostalgia! There was a time when there were lots of small local stations broadcasting on shortwave and although they were aimed at a local audience many of them could be heard worldwide despite low power. Shortwave was also used by many international broadcasters to reach listeners across the globe. Sadly the number of both categories of stations have diminished drastically over the years and for instance the tropical bands have little to offer today. On the other hand new stations are actually coming on the air. Often these stations are hobby projects run by enthusiasts. Shortwave itself still works like it has always done but it seems like the interest in this medium has vanished. Is there still a place for shortwave radio in this world of Internet and social media? Well, it can be. In times of crisis it still is a very efficient way of reaching out when the normal infrastructure is down – provided people have SW receivers and know how to use them. When mobile phones don't work any longer and the Internet has been blocked there is still a way to reach out.

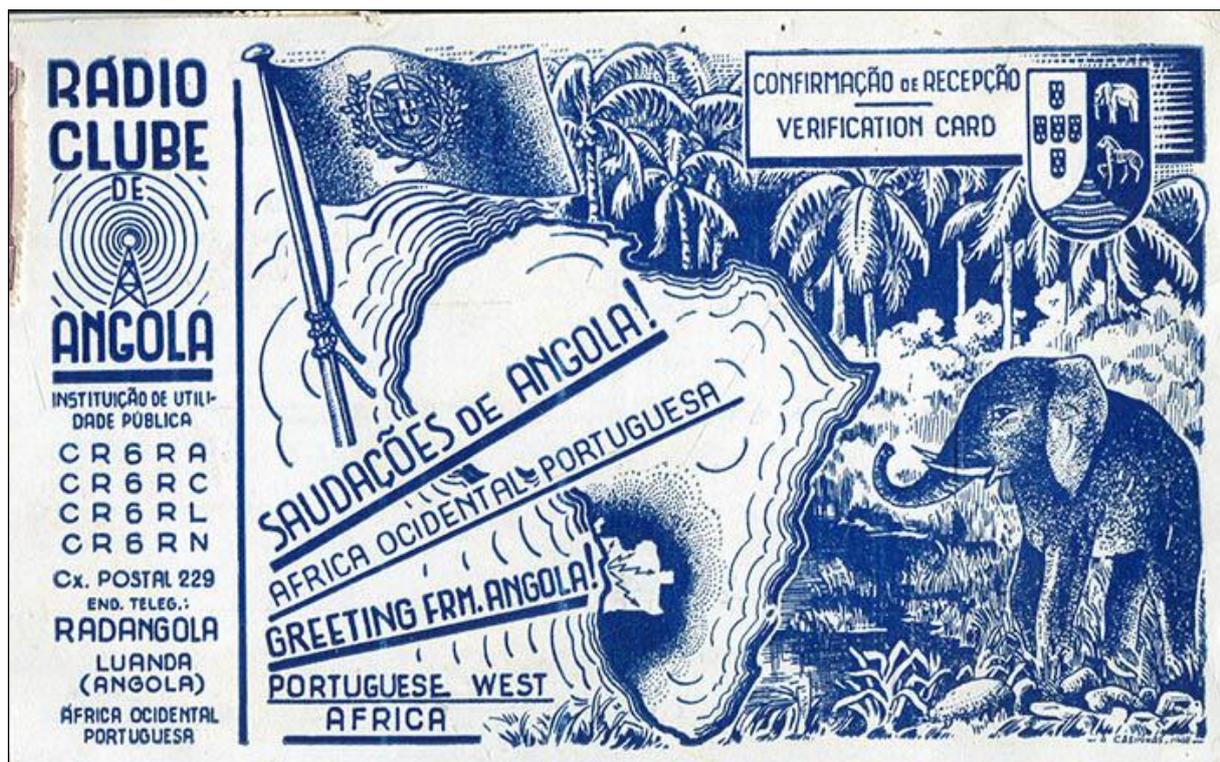
Shortwave radio.

Wouldn't it be a good idea for all DX enthusiasts to spread the knowledge about how to use a SW radio? A decent receiver doesn't have to be expensive and one day it may become very useful. If we let Vlad continue the way he does the crisis may escalate very fast. A SW radio can be used by everybody. Once it was a natural thing in many homes as the DX hobby was very popular and the knowledge about shortwave was bigger. Yes, there were even many listening to foreign shortwave stations although they were not actually DX-ers. But the SW bands offered a wealth of interesting programmes, music, information – you name it. Of course there was a lot of propaganda and jamming of certain stations was common. But shortwave radio knows no borders and it's not easy to totally block a station by jamming. The medium is still there – and one day it may become more useful than we think.

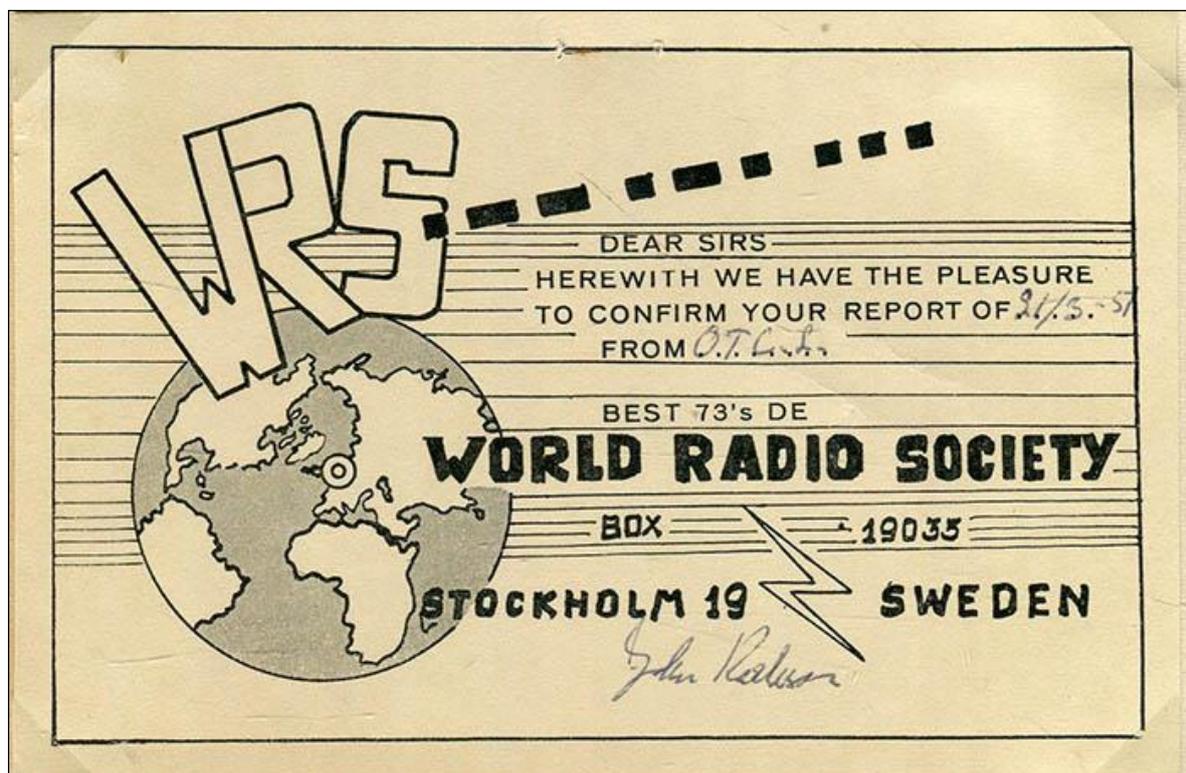
Nostalgia is something very nice. A sentimental feeling for a period in the past. We can experience it even if we were not actually there way back then. Nostalgia is seen in fashion trends, music and lifestyle. Many love retro styles in clothes, music, design, whatever. All vintage car enthusiasts are nostalgic. So why should we DX-ers be any different? Yes, we may be a shrinking crowd but isn't our hobby real fun? Some would argue it used to be even more fun in bygone days. Like in 1952 when Lars Rydén LR received this nice ham-inspired QSL card from Station CR6AA in Lobito, Angola. Lars heard it on 7177 kHz.



LR also received this very nice QSL card from Radio Clube de Angola, Luanda in 1951. It was reported on 11865 kHz.



The International Goodwill Station OTC in the then Belgian Congo often carried special programmes for various DX clubs. Here is a QSL card which Lars Rydén received for reporting such a programme by Stockholm DX club World Radio Society in 1951.



Some stations verified reception reports by letter. Here is one which LR received for his 1952 reception report to Radio Elisabethville in the province of Katanga. Today the name of this city is Lubumbashi.

RADIO ELISABETHVILLE

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Elisabethville, le 6.1.53

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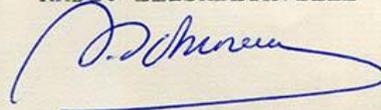
We thank you for your report re our transmission on December 21st 1952, frequency 11.900 Kc.

Your report is quite correct.

Our schedules are : Sundays and Legal Holidays from 13,30 GMT until 16,00 GMT.

Frequencies : 11.900 Kc
7.150 Kc.

RADIO ELISABETHVILLE



To/ L. Rydén
Sollentuna 3
Sweden

Finally one more African QSL from the collection of Lars Rydén: Radio Ecuatorial Bata in Spanish Guinea, today Equatorial Guinea. This station used to be fairly common on 4926 kHz but when Lars heard it it was on 7850 kHz. As usual you are most welcome to submit some material to this column. For instance scans of QSLs, pennants, radio memorabilia, clippings and so on. Please mail me at info @ rock.x.se if you want to contribute to DX nostalgia. Take care, stay safe and GOOD DX!

