

SHORTWAVE BULLETIN

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It turned out to be a busy day. Our daughter Sara with family has been down here in Ängelholm for a few weeks and today it was time to fly back to Stockholm where the live. Tomorrow is first working day after summer holidays and the flight left at about 15 today. Then the weather changed to be warm and sunny so I decided to take a 40 km bicycle tour up in the forest. Then SWB should be finalized. As you can see from the log there have been some openings to the Pacific with quite steady signals on 3325 and 5020.

Also a remarkable Vanuatu log by Ron Howard just below 3945.

Way too early to have a chance to hear that one here.

Enclosed some nice QSL cards from Lennart Weirell and Robert Wilkner - thanks for sharing!

Keep on

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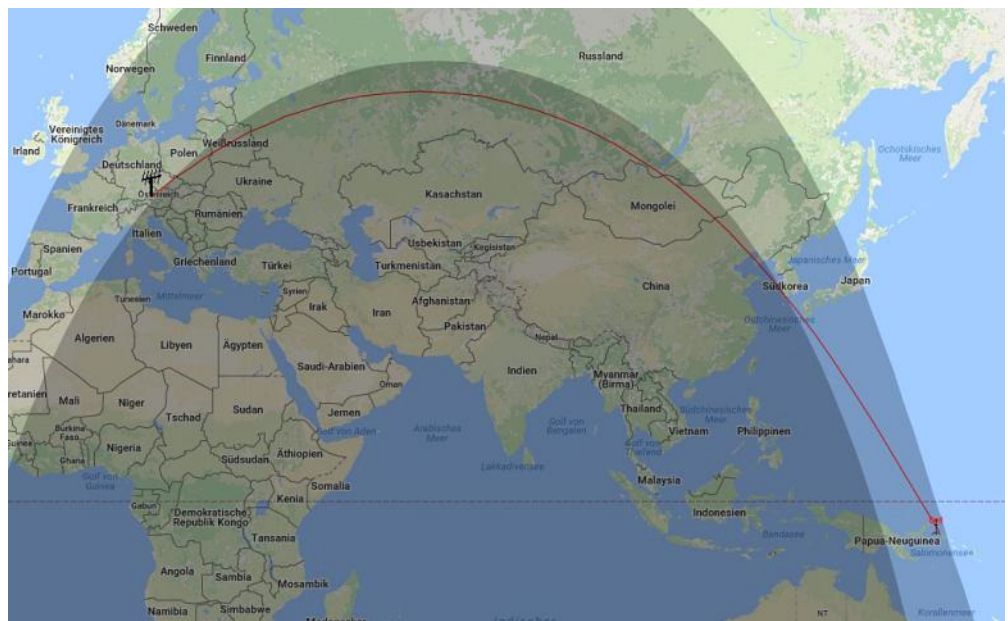
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QSL, kommentarer, mm.

Giampiero Bernardini. Ciao Thomas, here few tips made while testing the SDRuno new software, that is Studio1 software optimized for SDR receiver SDRplay, that I used to make this receptions in Milan, with my Folded dipole.

Christoph Ratzer: Signal on 3325 not strong, but today (Aug 2) a perfect Grey-Line Bougainville-Salzburg at 1945 UT!



Lennart Weirell: QSL att rapportera: **R Mi Amigo**, Armenien – 11850 e-mail 3 d, **WRMI** Okeechobee FL – 11580 k efter 17 v, mitt 3:e QSL från WRMI denna sommar. Verkar som man hittat inkorgen för lyssnar-rapporterna.

Bifogar kopia av QSL-et från R Mi Amigo.

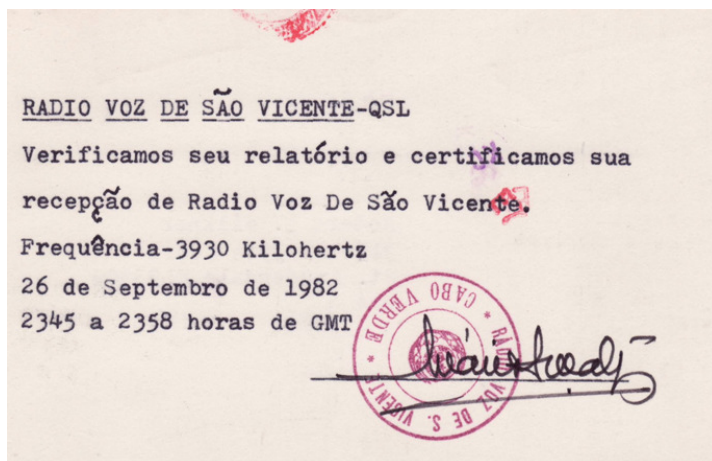
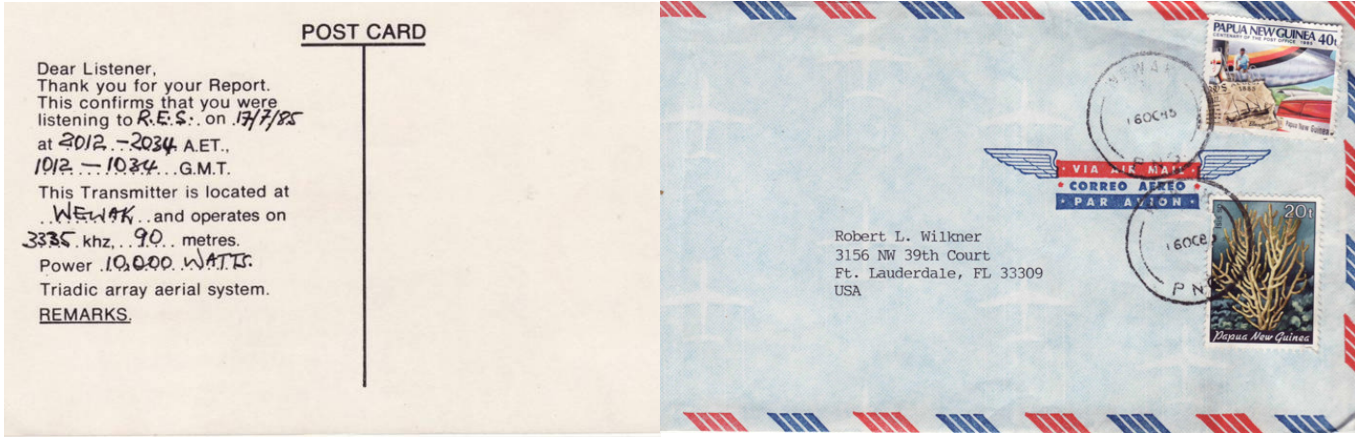


Christer Brunström: Bangladesh Betar 13580 kHz sent a nice QSL-card showing women working in a potato field

Anker Petersen: My internet problems are now repaired, so here are my latest loggings heard on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire here in Skovlunde:

Robert Wilkner: Summer doldrums here, tropical bands remain open alas with often fair to poor reception. Some repair of antennas accomplished.

For years enjoyed the connection between QSLs in the mail box and philately.



Dan Olsson: Hej! Dags att bidra igen. Annars är det ju inte så mycket att hurra över då jag sedan två veckor tillbaka går på kryckor eftersom jag har sprickor i två ryggkotor.

QSL: 6239 R Summermeeting e-kort, **6308 R Groentjeboete** e-brev, kort o foto

Log

(UTC)

2485	Aug13	1005	VL8K Katherine NT. Threshold with some words in English heard. (Wilkner)
3310	Aug13	1007	Radio Mosoj Chaski. Cochabamba yl in Quechua under t-storm crackle. no music heard some deep fades. (Wilkner)
3310	Aug1	1025	Radio Mosoj Chaski. very poor mostly unintelligible signal in presumed Quechua. (XM)
3325	Aug 9	1152	NBC Bougainville. at 1152 with Whitney Houston singing "I Will Always Love You"; 1156-1159* several "NBC Bougainville" IDs with frequencies. in both English and Pidgin; suddenly off. leaving a weak Pro 1 RRI Palangkaraya on frequency; almost fair. (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)
3325	Aug12	1938	NBC Bougainville with talk. S7 signal. (TN)
3344.84	Aug1	0949	RRI Ternate (presumed). Have often been checking here for possible reactivation. ut until today had heard nothing. Aug 1. found positive open carrier at 0949; random subsequent monitoring still had clear open carrier till final check at 1234; never any trace of any audio. Atsunori Ishida concurred RRI Ternate active today! First time I have had a definite carrier here this year. Now if we can just get some audio out of them! Believe was Ternate. as NBC Northern. the Voice of Oro (PNG) was last heard closer to 3345 than RRI Ternate (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)
3384.864	Aug12	2133	RRI Ternate, weak. Noted a few times lately. Much stronger on Aug 5 at 2200. (TN)
3344.864	Aug2	1305	Yes! RRI Ternate on air. VERY TINY signal noted in Brisbane Queensland unit at 1305 UT. In peaks at -98dBm tiny signal some music fragments could be heard. 3319.996 also thunderstorm scratches 'on air' disturbs also Pyngyang BS 3319.996 Korean. and similar S=8 or -76dBm signal on 3325 even frequency RRI Palangkaraya. listen to the recording at 1312 UT. some thunderstorm noise also included. And song played sung by female. seems of Turk muslim folk origin family ? (73 wb)
3375.1	Aug13	1006	Radio Municipal São Gabriel da Cachoeira with om in PT. 1010 seemingly into music, weak signal and somewhat elusive as several days with no signal. (Wilkner)
3944.204	Aug2	1255	Unid whistle tone QRM to even R Nikkei Japan service on 3945 kHz. at 1255 and 1348 UT on Aug 2. S=8 or -84dBm of both signals. noted in remote Brisbane AUS SDR unit. Radio Vanuatu 24hrs on air. even with carrier ? (wb df5sx. wwdxc BC-DX TopNews July 26)

<p>Please note SWB 1848 (April 24. 2016): 3944.1 Apr17 1337 at 1337 and subsequent checking, heard a definite open carrier. but not at a level for any audio. Nothing heard on the Radio Vanuatu frequency of 3945.0. so I have to wonder about the possibility that it's RV? Needs more monitoring! Thanks to Mauno Ritola who checked and measured it "as 3944.203-4 via Brisbane rx." Thanks also to Wolfy - "At 1520- 1540 UT noted nothing on 3944v in Osaka-Kyoto Japan remote servers." (Ron Howard. Asilomar State Beach. CA. USA)</p> <p>Am very thankful for the following feedback. Greatly appreciate their assistance in confirming the off frequency open carrier I heard was in fact Radio Vanuatu. Seems doubtful I will be hearing any audio during their current weak broadcasting. (Ron Howard)</p> <p>- Bryan Clark emailed me (April 18): "Yes Ron. definitely Radio Vanuatu on 3944.21 at 0827 UTC today in Pidgin - Japan 3945 putting a het on them but easy log here on lower sideband. Just rechecked at 1025 UTC and I measure frequency as 3944.205. Regards. Bryan (Mangawhai - New Zealand)." -</p> <p>Mauno Ritola emailed the following: "Yes. Bryan. I can also hear now at 1030 bits of audio via Brisbane. But really a shadow of what it used to be. can't be 1 kW any more. Best regards. Mauno Ritola (Finland)."</p>			
So Wolfy - Yes. definitely Radio Vanuatu. Since RV recently changed their schedule to 1015*. folks have observed. including myself. that RV is leaving the carrier on long after their new scheduled sign off time (when audio ends). but do not know if carrier is on for full 24 hours. (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)			
3944.2	Aug14	1232	R. Vanuatu (presumed). Sunday, Aug 14, as usual on the weekend, I checked this frequency to see if I can hear the normal open carrier of RV that they leave on after usually ending

their audio programming about 1015* or so. On the weekend Japan ("RN2") signs off at 0900*, leaving the frequency clear for RV.

Very surprised today when I tuned in at 1232 and heard definite audio; L announcer playing EZL music till 1300, when most likely news till 1311. Later checked at 1342 and had possible religious program and religious music(?), but too weak to be sure; 1401-1407 seemed to be news again. The whole time was not strong enough to make out the language, but assume is RV based upon unique frequency and clearly I was not hearing Japan. Extremely rare that I hear audio here during this time period! My local sunrise was at 1325 UT (Ron Howard, CA, USA via DXLD)

4747.5	Aug10	2330	Radio Huanta 2000 Huanta Ayacucho noted during band scan om chat. under major CO-DAR. audio filters of some assistance. (Wilkner)
4750	Aug 9	-1306*	heard Bangladesh Betar - HS *1253-1306*; off just after the news in Bangla; mixing equally with CNR1 on same frequency. Why this strangely abbreviated schedule? Earlier this year I was hearing them signing on close to 1230. to past the news in English at 1530. (Ron Howard)
4765	Aug25	0040	Radi Progreso. Cuba. songs. talks. weak (Bernardini)
4765.00	Aug12	0100	Tajik R 1. Yangiyul Tajik ann. folksongs. QRM R Progreso. Cuba (AP-DNK)
4774.91	Aug12	0055	R Tarma. Tarma. Nice Andean songs. 0100 frequency ann and ID. (AP-DNK)
4805	Aug10	2330	Radio Difusora do Amazonas.Manaus weak with om chat in PT. below average signal strength. (Wilkner)
4824.49	Aug10	2336	La Voz de la Selva. Iquitos weak. fading up occasionally with SP. poor but often noted same times. (Wilkner)
4875.13	Aug13	1000	Rdif Roraima. Boa Vista RR yl and om in PT. strong signal. (Wilkner)
4875.15	Aug12	0045	R Dif. Roraima. Boa Vista. RR. Brazilian songs. (AP-DNK)
4885	Aug13	1000	Radio Clube do Pará. Belém. PA . noted 2340 good signal on 12 Aug. — 1000 to 1006 noted during band scan with fair to good signal. (Wilkner)
4885	Aug8	0716	R Clube do Para. Belem. apparent wacked out preacher in PT. very good signal. (XM)
4910.00	Aug12	0040	AIR Jaipur Rajasthani talk. (AP-DNK)
4819.95	Aug12	0050	Birinchi R. Krasnaya Rechka. Kyrgyz ann. folksongs. // 4009.92 (AP-DNK)
4940	Aug1	1020	Voice of the Strait. cmntry in CH by W anc. poor. (XM)
4949.75	Aug12	0030	R Nacional de Angola. Mulenvos. Talk - very weak. (AP-DNK)
4955.00	Aug12	0024	R Cultural Amauta. Huanta. Spanish interview with music in the background. weak CWQRM (AP-DNK)
4955	Aug12	2336	Radio Cultural Amauta Huanta om “..tres fotos..pero... en Peru...” (Wilkner)
5010.00	Aug12	0019	AIR Thiruvananthapuram Malayalam talk. 0035 English news // 4920 Chennai. (AP-DNK)
5015	Aug1	1018	Radio Miami Intl. some audio getting through but very effectively being jammed by Cuban jammer. presumed anti-Cuban clandestine type broadcast. (XM)
5020	Aug12	1940	SIBC Honiara just above noise level this evening. Has been there most days lately. TN
5025	Aug1	1032	Radio Rebelde. powered way down. but I detected no signs of R Quillabamba behind it. disappointing . (XM)
5050	Aug25	0030	WWRB. Manchester. TN. USA. talks. English. weak/fair (Bernardini)
5050	Aug1	1220	AIR Aizawl. Am hearing this just about daily now; into usual news in English; mixing with and underneath a stronger Beibu Bay Radio. (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)
5129.89	Aug20	0100	WBCQ The Planet. Monticello. USA. talks. English. weak/fair (Bernardini)
5915	Aug27	2118	NBC Radio 1. Zambia. African language. talks. fair (Bernardini)
5915	Aug10	0232	ZNBC/Radio One. Has been a while since I last checked on this one. but Dave Valko's report to me of hearing the African Fish Eagle IS at 0240. on Aug 9. motivated me to give a listen. Aug 10. noted open carrier at 0232. with IS starting at 0240; signal improving by 0251 Anthem (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
5935	Aug12	1320	PBS Xizang (Lhasa-Baiding) 1320-1400+ 11 & 12 August. Xizang's CH service doing fairly well (//4820) with quiet CH chat by DJ. some CH MOR. & a very distinct piano fill between DJ. music. ads/promos. & no pips @ TOH. (Sheedy)
5939.91	Aug20	0004	Rádio Voz Missionária. Camboriú (Santa Catarina). Brazil. religious talks. fair (Bernardini)
5950	Aug27	1830	V. o. Tigray Revolution. Ethiopia. HoA style songs. fair (Bernardini)
5952.42	Aug10	-0228*	Radio Pio Doce. Started the normal sign off format. but cut off in mid-ID; almost fair with QRN (static). (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
5952.46	Aug20	0008	Emisora Pio XII. Bolivia. reports. fair (Bernardini)
5980	Aug20	0012	R. Chaski. Peru. talks. songs. weak (Bernardini)
5985	Jul31	1128	Myanmar Radio. Already on the air while 9730 was about to close down; into live coverage of women's Asian Football Confederation match between Australia and Myanmar. played in Mandalay; preempted regular programs (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)
6015	Aug8	1013	KBS Hanminjok Bangsong 1. Usual hour long program of "Pops Freedom"; scheduled 1000-1100; mostly in Korean. but with English IDs and segment with English language lesson; hosted by Kwak Young Il; playing pop songs ("Poor Little Fool" by Ricky Nelson.

			etc.); series of three very nice IDs; first by native speaker of English. second in Korean and third in English by Kwak Young II - "Now you are listening to KBS. Pops Freedom"; usual segment "Everyday English" language lesson; poor. with the usual white noise jamming from N. Korea. but was semi-readable. Website http://goo.gl/NKHkr6 (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
6035	Aug8	-1238*	BBS. Usual brief indigenous music 1215. 1218 & 1220; indigenous music and singing 1222-1230; 1230 indigenous music into chatting; suddenly off; poor. but at times fair. depending on amount of adjacent QRM; PBS Yunnan already off. Decent signal strength; my audio https://goo.gl/ozQG0Z (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
6070	Aug12	2337	CFRX Toronto "new in technology" "interesting programming. a favorite station here. (Wilkner)
6080.04	Aug20	0020	Rádio Marumby. Campo Largo. Paraná. Brazil. talks. songs. fair (Bernardini)
6090	Aug27	1839	Amhara State Radio. Ethiopia. talks. fair/good (Bernardini)
6110	Aug27	1844	Radio Fana. Ethiopia. talks. fair (Bernardini)
6115	Aug31	2125	Radio Veritas. Palauig. Philippines. Chinese. talks. music. fair/good (Bernardini)
6115	Aug5	-1925*	Another slightly odd one: French talk. not likely news. rather a kind of lecture or so. Sudden off. R. Congo back and one hour late compared to their former habits? (73 Thorsten Hallmann)
6115	Aug6	0511	Radio Congo (presumed). Thanks very much to Thorsten Hallmann for the tip in DXLD yg; 0511-0531. with alternating announcers in what certainly seemed to me to be French; 0518 brief African music; 0531-0545. switched to African vernacular; poor. with QRN (static). Brazzaville local sunrise at 0506 UTC. No "RN2" (Japan) QRM; quickly faded out after 0545. My last reception was back on May 19. so very nice to catch them again. My audio https://goo.gl/TWcp0W (poor quality) (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)
6130	Aug27	1847	TWR.Manzini. Swaziland. religious afro songs. good (Bernardini)
6134.82	Aug10	-0203*	R. Santa Cruz. Off with the normal format; poor with QRN (static) and Brazil het (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
6134.85	Aug10	2340	Radio Santa Cruz repeated ments de "... departamento de ...Santa Cruz". under thunderstorm crashes good signal. two IDs. (Wilkner)
6135.2	Aug10	2350	Radio Aparecida. Aparecida. poor signal losing out to the Bolivian (Wilkner)
6135.21	Aug20	0030	Radio Aparecida. Brazil. talks. good signal but QRM Santa Cruz. 6134.84 (Bernardini)
6159.95	Aug20	0035	CKZN St John's. Canada. talks. English. CBC relay. fair (Bernardini)
6160	Aug10	2350	CKZN St Johns news items "what if it possible or not ..." (Wilkner)
6255	Aug6	1645	R Joey played modern music as Kalimba's and Positive Connection. (DO)
6268	Aug13	2100	R Digital with instrumental music. (DO)
6295	Aug9	1830	R Piraña with relay from a FM-station in Buenos Aires. (DO)
6340	Aug13	2000	R Lowland played Bronsky Beat. (DO)
6960	Aug6	1735	R Digital played music from 50-60ties as Betty Everett and The Hollies. (DO)
7120	Aug25	1710	Radio Hargeisa. Somaliland. Somalia. talks. weak (Bernardini)
7200	Aug26	2306	Myanmar Radio. Yangon. talks like news. short music. fair (Bernardini)
7245	Aug9	-1258*	RNZI with poor signal; *1259 fair on 6170 with Bell Bird IS. 1300 Pacific news. So we have one major southern Pacific transmitter left. with Australia AWOL (Glenn Hauser. OK)
7254.921	Aug5	0609	VON with usual strong off-frequency carrier. S9+10. but now it's unmodulated instead of Hausa hour (Glenn Hauser. OK)
7325.0	Aug8	-1400*	CRI. Was checking for Wantok Radio Light on 7324.95 (not heard) and surprised to hear CRI go all the way to 1400* (ex: 1357*). Needs more monitoring to check if this is happening daily Aug 9. with CRI 1357*. So yesterday's 1400* was just an anomaly? (Ron Howard. Calif.. dxldyg via DXLD)
7325	Aug9	*1405-	Shiokaze/Sea Breeze via Yamata (Japan). All in Japanese; Shiokaze intro; segment "message from the Japanese government"; per Hiroshi. into programming of "Furusato No Kaze" ("Wind of Hometown"). produced by the Japanese government; could tell was not the usual Shiokaze format after 1408. No N. Korea jamming. Shiokaze ends their 5965 program at 1400*. due to the strong sign on of CRI. in Korean. at *1400. which would have blocked Shiokaze at *1405 if they had stayed on 5965 (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
7325	Aug12	-1435*	Furusato no Kaze (via Yamata). Thanks to Ron Howard's tip. found F-n-K programming instead of usual Shiokaze with some J-pop. Furusato no Kaze IDs @ 1419. 1426. closing with web info. frequencies & quick "Shiokaze deh.." @ :34. so perhaps not a complete change of programs. CCI from CRI (Beijing) in Filipino @ *1430. makes the close-down info a bit hard to hear. (Sheedy)
7345	Jul31	0944	Radio Sakha. via Yakutsk. Mixing with V26 (CHINA) in USB. with Chinese numbers (audio of the two stations - https://goo.gl/yqKI02) (audio of just R. Sakha in LSB. with IS [Jew's harp] and time pips - https://goo.gl/IAaRp7). 7345 continues to be much stronger than // 7295. Dave Valko listening at the same time. via Japan remote. noted stronger V26 (USB) than I did (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)

7385	Aug9	1422	Firedragon & CNR1 jamming of RTI (scheduled to be in Chinese). (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
7730	Aug13	0001	Ecos del Torbes (via WRMI). Thanks to info in SWB #1855. got to enjoy EdT's special anniversary broadcast ("el dia internacional del Ecos del Torbes") with assistance from "America en Antena" & Jeff White @ WRMI..station history. AM/SW IDs ("su emisora predilecta"). eQSL info (in EG briefly as well as SP). really neat EdT singing jingle @ 0003. (Sheedy)
7730.01	Aug10	0000	Club Diexistas de la Amistad. Colombia. via WMRI. Okeechobee. FL Special DX Program with melodies from Ecos del Torbes. English ID. The broadcast at 2100 on 9.8 on 15770 has faded out in Denmark. (AP-DNK)
7750	Aug4	0357	[Non] -CUSB. Aug 4 at 0357 and 0413 chex. no signal from Warsan Radio. Baidoa. Taking my own WORLD OF RADIO 1837 advice to check for it now. since Bryan Clark had heard it in New Zealand. presumably longpath for him; but it may well be irregular. Hargeisa. 7120 is only a JBA carrier. which should be a good pilot for this starting circa 0330 (Glenn Hauser. OK)
9410	Aug1	0946	Fu Hsing BS (presumed). Today the transmitter seemed to be working fine. unlike the problems of the past few months; in Chinese. with some EZL music; after 1000 was not heard. conforming to their schedule (0800-1000 and 1100-1300); heard again after 1100. Are they really back to normal? Time will tell. Still no trace of a signal on 9774 (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)
			----- re 9410 kHz TWN. nothing heard around 1200 to 1230 UT from FHBS - Fu Hsing BS Kuanyin. no carrier visible. nothing. but heard bubbling low level in range 9410 to 9414 kHz of S=4-5 or -95dBm signal in Tokyo and Kyoto. Japan remots. No carrier visible. (73 wb df5sx) -----
			Yes. Wolfy. totally off the air today (Aug 2) on 9410. during the times I heard them yesterday. (Ron Howard)
9410	Aug9	1205	Fu Hsing BS (presumed). Aug 9 (Tuesday) - So much for my "Monday only" theory! Heard 9410 today at 1205 and subsequent checking; in Chinese with EZL songs; poor. Still no 9774. So do they have any type of formal schedule. or is it just hit or miss? (Ron Howard)
9420	Aug10	0257	VOG. English & Greek IDs ("This is Athens. You are listening to the Voice of Greece"). along with IS; 0259 National Anthem and into music show; later (0320 & 0329) found off the air. but always came back on again; fair (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
9600	Aug24	0047	MWV New Life Station. Mahajanga. Madagascar. slow music. religious. English weak/fair (Bernardini)
9650	Aug5	2045	Radio Guinea Conacry talk and mx. Strong and clear signal. (TN)
9650	Aug6	0652	Radio Guinea Conakry. 0652-0712. French. news. male and female "L'actualité". mentioned Guinea. Congo. "La liberation...". at 0702 African songs. at 0705 rooster sing sound. more news and African songs. Improving signal. At 0719 Identification. French. male: "Radio Nationale de la Republique de Guinea" 1630 on air with good signal. French. comments. identifications: "Radio Guinée". "Içi Radio Guinée". *0628. Aug 7commencing transmission at this time. (Méndez)
9650	Aug6	2157	Radio Guinée with African music. 2 (CB)
9650			Maybe I caused these suspicions on the origin of the 9650 signal by commenting on its quality in April? Wolfgang already commented on the site and its antenna systems for international broadcasting then. and also seems to be convinced that it's from Guinea directly. And yes. there is no hint for a relay and the signal behaves like a typical West African one on 31m. eg. quite strong in Europe until 0700...0800. then significantly dropping. but not completely fading out. If Niger 9705 or Nigeria 9690 were active they should perform quite similar. judging from the past. A bit irritating: At 0800 it was already weaker than Bamako signing on. but now after 0810. the carrier from Bamako 9635 is still quite strong. but there is only a very tiny string left on 9650 in the Twente waterfall - currently impossible to find out if they signed off and it's a trace of something else. or just a propagation hiccup. (73. thorsten hallmann via DXLD)
9650	Aug11	0650	Radio Guinea. Conakry. 0650-0730. Finally heard this reactivated station for the first time. Interested to note Conakry sunrise was at 0646 UT today; at 0650 heard French. with the signal rapidly improving up to mostly fair; 0700 pips and nice series of IDs; 0700-0730 with non-stop African pop singing (repetitive). except for one very brief announcer at 0718; briefly after 0700 had some very light QRM. assume R. Sonder Grense (South Africa) underneath; 0728 strong open carrier from Voice of Korea. which started very strong audio at 0730 with IS. My audio - https://goo.gl/Q97eNo (Ron Howard. Calif.. USA)
9650	Aug11	2350	R. Guinée is still going for the seventh day in a row. so maybe here to stay. Poor S2 but

ECSS helps. In French; 2357 mentions Côte d'Ivoire for some reason. instrumental and vocal music bits. 2358. ``Amis auditeurs``. probably saying good-night to listeners; 2359 short anthem(?) by band. 2359:35 repetitive drumming. interval signal? runs past 0000 this time until 0000:40 Aug 12 dead air. off at 0001* sharp.
 Aug 13 at 0000. R. Guinée is still on. very poor S4. so I just monitor when the carrier cuts: 0001:42.5* (Glenn Hauser. OK)

9650 Aug8 0710 Radio Guinee. surprised to hear this still audible. M and W in conversation in FR. fair signal but some weakening noticed. (XM)

9650 Aug8 -0002* R Guinea 8/8 hlife mx. FR ID. vocals. anmmts (Paszkievicz-WI)

9650 Aug6 1827 Radio Guinea. in with carrier and "waves" of threshold signal. gradually strengthening through the day. 1950 check found some FR by M and hi life mx occasionally briefly audible. 2115 check had a fair to almost good signal with cmntry in FR by M and hi life mx. still on at 2205 check. This provided a nice journey into the past when SW was in its glory. Hope it can last for awhile. (XM)

9730 Jul31 1005 Myanmar Radio. Mixing badly with Sound of Hope (TAIWAN); in vernacular and playing some EZL music; 1019 cut off and came back between 1041-1046; 1126 started commentary from the women's Asian Football Confederation match between Australia and Myanmar. scheduled to start 1130. in Mandalay; suddenly off 1131*. Starting at 1128. was // 5985. (Ron Howard. San Francisco. CA. USA)

9935 Aug24 0044 Voice of Greece. Avlis. Greek songs. good //9420 (Bernardini)

9955 Aug25 0102 Blues Radio Int.. Okeechobee. FL. USA. great Blues songs. ids. fair (Bernardini)

9965 Aug9 1238 Palau T8WH. Brother Stair pgm (Paszkievicz-WI)

11650 Aug24 0112 Radio Sultanate Oman. talks. Arabic. fair/good (Bernardini)

11665 Aug19 2346 Wai FM. via RTM. Kajang. Malaysia. commercials. songs. fair (Bernardini)

11735 Aug27 1854 ZBC. Zanzibar. Tanzania. songs. good (Bernardini)

11764.65 Aug27 2048 Super Rádio Deus é Amor. Brazil. usual talks. fair/good (Bernardini)

11854.88 Aug27 2053 Radio Aparecida. Brazil. talks. fair (Bernardini)

11860 Aug27 1857 Rep. Yemen Radio Sana'a. via Saudi Arabia. songs. talks. good (Bernardini)

11945 Aug27 1903 MWV Radio Feda. Mahajanga. Madagascar. Arabic. talks. good (Bernardini)

11985 Aug31 2154 Radio Akhbar Mufriha. Ascension. Afro language. talks. id. very good (Bernardini)

12075 Aug11 *1600-
 "Short Wave Service...". "VORW..." "...transmission to South East Asia...". comments. pop songs in English. "Black or White" Michael Jackson song. " e-mail address: vorwinfo@gmail.com". song. "Revolution" by Rolling Stones. at 1630 time signals identification and frequencies. (Méndez)

15345.14 Aug13 1929 very poor S1 signal. maybe sports coverage. presumed R. Nacional --- this LRA transmitter had been below 15345 for weeks. in fact closer to 15344. Aoki shows on Saturdays it not starting until 2000. Are they still running RAExterior earlier on Sats? 17-18 German. 18-19 English? How about 19-20 Italian? (Cairo also varies around 15345 but supposed to be only at 16-18) (Glenn Hauser. OK)

From Mosquito Coast DX News - August 13, 2016.

Just arrived ~ A quick scan between 1140-1220 UTC on 13 August from David Sharp. NSW:

4055 R. Verdad. good with choral hymns.	4925.17 R. Educacao Rural w/PT M. fair.
4747.58 Huanta 2000 with huaynos.	4955 R. Cultural Amauta fair w/huaynos.
4774.92 R. Tarma. fair with M mensajes.	4985 UnID threshold w/talk by M.
4810 R. Logos? Someone here. threshold.	5025 R. Quillabamba. mix w/Rebelde.
4824.48 LV de la Selva. fair. huaynos.	5952.42 R. Pio XII. fair w/talk by M. Tight filter and LSB for copy.
4865 R. Verde Florestas. fair. PT M.	6173.92 R. Tawantinsuyo. best in LSB w/tight filter. huaynos.

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Station news

AUSTRALIA [and non]. 9580. 12085. 12065. Aug 13 at 1335 check. RADIO AUSTRALIA IS STILL MISSING. 6170. RNZI is still audible but weakening (Glenn Hauser. OK. DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BRAZIL. According to DXer Lenildo Silva. Brazil. there will be another new Brazilian broadcaster on the SW.

This is **Rádio Fronteira.** in Cabedelo (PB). which began conducting tests since last Sunday (July 31) on **6000.** The station provides a cell phone number (TIM telcom operator). for listeners who want to inform how the signal is coming in their town. The number is as follows: (83) 9832-5336 9.

After contacting the station. DXer Lenildo Silva was informed that the transmissions will be launched when they receive the proper authorization from Anatel (the nat'l telcom regulation body).

(from various intermediate sources via Radioescutas YG. Facebook. etc. via Nigro. Uruguay. Aug 2).

(Horacio Nigro. CX3BZ. "[La Galena del Sur](#)". Montevideo. Uruguay via DXPlorer)

GUINEA. 9650. Aug 5 at 2029. JBA carrier here. presumably reactivated **R. Guinée.** tnx to tip from Thorsten Hallmann in Germany. who first heard it at 1815 UT (2015 MESZ). I find it still there but JBA at 2130. At 2310 now it's S3-S5 in French? talk and hiliife? Music. announcements every few minutes. 2318. 2321; ECSS helps!

This is just as much a surprise as its previous burst of activity after years of silence. last April 15-16 as in DXLD 16-16. 16-17. and 16-18. Altho 9650 was an old Guinea frequency. there were suspicions that the reactivation might be via a relay. site never confirmed.

Will it last longer this time? Could it be prompted by the imminent Olympix opening. with Guinea a minor participant? Others in Europe and North America were hearing it until Bruce Churchill. California reported in the DXLD yg UT Aug 6:

``Conakry 9650 off at 0020 check - assume 0000? Heard earlier at 2133 with highlife vocals. Fair. but fading slowly after 2200 from Perseus site in eastern Finland. Vernacular announcer in this time slot. Inexplicably resurrected itself with large signal boost at approx. 2224 - almost like they fixed their modulation. increased transmitter power or changed antenna. Announcer in French and more highlife music. Carrier. but weak audio noted in Southern CA at 2320. Thought maybe they were going all night again. but apparently not. Bruce``*

So we'll soon hear if they're back on in their morning. or the next day and evening (Glenn Hauser. OK. DX LISTENING DIGEST)

INDIA. Aug 14, on the eve of India's Independence Day, the President of India addresses the nation; 1330 ID in English followed by National Anthem; President's address in English. Rather disappointing results this year, as some AIR regional stations have ended their SW service. My results:

4760 Leh - not heard
4760 Port Blair - JBA open carrier (no audio heard)
4775 Imphal - off the air
4800 Hyderabad - not heard due to strong CNR1
4810 Bhopal - JBA
4820 Kolkata - off the air (now only PBS Xizang)
4835 Gangtok - not heard; only ABC Alice Springs NT
4840 Mumbai - off the air
4850 Kohima - off the air
4860 Shimla - off the air
4880 Lucknow - off the air
4895 Kurseong - JBA
4910 Jaipur - JBA
4920 Chennai - heard through the Tibet QRM

4950 Srinagar - not heard; this was a surprise, as on many days recently I have been hearing a decent open carrier here which I believe to be from AIR Radio Kashmir and seemed close to having audio, but clearly completely off the air today.

4990 Itanagar - off the air (now only PBS Hunan [China])

4970 Shillong - JBA (not as strong as normally heard)

5010 Thiruvananthapuram - JBA

5040 Jeypore - JBA

5050 Aizawl - not heard; this also was a surprise, as just as recently as Aug 12, had very decent reception at 1330, but nothing today.

6030 Delhi - not heard due to strong CNR1

9425 Delhi - not heard

9380 Aligarh - JBA

9870 Bangalore - good signal, but mixing with strong QRM (CRI in English).

Highlights of speech - <http://goo.gl/vVF3ZW>
(Ron Howard, Calif., USA)

KOREA NORTH. >>> 3560 was in use long ago. considered to be a feeder <<<

Because it, like its companion 4405, was never mentioned in official schedules, appeared to originate from another site - --- and Kujang was indeed on some occasions caught relaying these emergency feed signals, with all the glorious noise and fading.

6070 for its part was so far limited to 0930-1320 and the same transmitter than 6100 1330-1830 and 2030-0900. So what became of 6100? Separate transmitter now or cancelled?

This 6070/6100 transmitter appeared after North Korea had purchased gear from the closed shortwave facilities in Switzerland. Back then it singled out from the existing North Korean shortwave outlets with precisely kept frequencies and clean modulation. So it was really obvious what was going on, and it could be added that the Swiss transmitters apparently did not allow the OOB operations the North Koreans liked so much back then.

And the site of this 6070/6100 kHz transmitter was found to appear to be in some distance from Pyongyang, but as such to be separated from the Kujang plant as well. Which, of course, fits the Kanggye listings.
(Kai Ludwig via DXLD)

MYANMAR. 5985 & 9730. Myanmar Radio. RE: My June 26 posting: "Recently have noted it takes a minute or less to switch frequencies from 9730 to 5985." Now I find this is clearly wrong! Have recently been hearing 5985 already on the air minutes BEFORE 9730 goes off the air, so impossible for both frequencies to use the same transmitter. (Ron Howard, San Francisco, CA, USA)

NEW ZEALAND. RE: My July 31, "Mediawatch" posting, "Out with the old, in with the new at RNZ." thanks very much to Bryan Clark for the following input:

"I can also advise that Linden Clark, Radio NZ International's Manager since 1994, has just been appointed People and Development Manager for Radio New Zealand. With the recent reduction in RNZI's shortwave transmission capability, it will be interesting to see what might happen next in the way RNZI is managed.

Further to Ron's comments of July 31, I have been disappointed to see a lot of longtime and respected RNZ staff leave in recent months coinciding with the ending of some long-running programme features. Given that our present government has not increased the annual funding grant to RNZ since 2008, it is not surprising that all costs continue to be pruned. I am a member of the Coalition for Better Broadcasting which has been lobbying for better funding of public broadcasting in NZ

- see <http://goo.gl/k22m3l> " (Ron Howard, San Francisco, CA USA)

VENEZUELA [non]. 7730. UT Sat Aug 13 at 0000, the **WRMI-13** transmitter at 285 degrees with special booking `América en Antena`, provided by the Club Diexistas de la Amistad, VG signal. It's all about the history of Ecos del Torbes, emblematic tropical/SW station which as I recall was one of the last if not the very last YV station to quit shortwave, 4980 and 9660 (other than Radio Nacional). It seems that August 9 was Ecos del Torbes' birthday in 1947. The show also marks the 26th anniversary of América en Antena, and the 40th of the C.DX.A. So 2017 will be an ``even`` 70th anniversary of the station.

Mainly in Spanish, but introduction includes some English at 0002; Ecos del Torbes IDs in Spanish, English (mispronouncing Táchira), and even French. First part about EDT has annoying vocal music in the background, later a Sousa march, more tolerable. I know mixing music with talk is considered to be professional radio production, but I respect music too much to treat it that way (exception of course: the WOR theme & billboard). These days EDT is on MW 780 (only), but some of the IDs in the program mentioned both SW and internet, which I thought did not overlap chronologically; see <http://ecosdeltorbes.net>

And its history page: <http://ecosdeltorbes.net/2015/12/04/historia/> which says its original SW frequency was 3550 (before my time!). Does not mention 4980 or when that was closed. There are several other AM & FM stations in the group.

Outro gives contact info, offers special QSL and concludes with singing ID. Then at 0030, WRMI goes right into its busy radiogrammy special to impress the HFCCers. Another final repeat of the Torbes show is scheduled 48 hours later, UT Monday Aug 15 at 0000 on 7730.

What is Torbes, anyway, and why does it echo? Torbes is a short 82-km river upon whose left bank is established San Cristóbal in Táchira state. The Friendly DX Club alludes to being inclusive with neighboring Colombia, long before the hostile MaduroChávez regime and the current economic crisis in Venezuela. I'm pleased to hear news just today that an agreement has been reached with Colombia to facilitate border crossings as desperate droves of Venezuelans seek to shop in Colombia (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Other radio news

Public holiday 15 August - Guinea & Equatorial Guinea

There's a public holiday tomorrow in Guinea Republic, Equatorial Guinea and many other countries, so expect unusual radio behaviour. here's a handy guide to public and national holidays worldwide, listed by country or date:

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/>

(David Kernick, Interval Signals Online via DXLD)

Gunnar Wranges efterlämnade radioutrustning nu till salu

Gunnar Wranges efterlämnade radioutrustning är nu till salu. Gunnars söner har bett mig se om det finns intresse bland SWB:s medlemmar innan det går ut på annons.

KWZ 30 DSP mottagare

AOR AR 7030 mottagare

MFJ 1026 de luxe cancelling signal enhancer

Dierking GD82NF dobbelnotch/Peak NF Filter

JRC Receiver NRD 525

JRC Receiver NRD 535D

Lowe PR 150 Preselector

Standard Radio CR 90 inbyggt i rack med TCU 90 Traffic

Control Unit & OC 90 Operator Control Unit

Modellerna finns avbildade i bifogade filer.

Om du är intresserad. kontakta BE snarast.

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Perseus as a source of RFI ? (Perseus_SDR group)

Dear Group Members.

As well as a Perseus SDR. I have at my listening desk two "conventional receivers" – an Icom R75. and a Lowe HF125. I still listen to these receivers as well as the Perseus. because I enjoy the ergonomic experience of a conventional receiver as opposed to the keyboard and mouse experience of an SDR. I have noticed however. the following: with either the Icom or Lowe connected to one port of a 2 port antenna splitter and the Perseus connected to the other port . and with all receivers having the same filter bandwidth selected and all receivers tuned to the same low power signal . the signal on the Icom or Lowe becomes much less noisy if the Perseus is turned off - it is as though the Perseus adds noise to the received signal on the other receiver. Turn on the Perseus again. and the signal on the Icom or Lowe receiver becomes more noisy. With the Perseus off. turning my computer on and off does not change the noise level on the other receivers.

My theory is that either the Perseus itself is radiating RF interference during operation. or my computer is radiating more RF interference during Perseus operation. Does anyone have any thoughts on this situation?

Best Wishes. (Eric Gauja. Australia)

Hello Eric. I have found this to be a common problem when running multiple receivers from the same antenna via a two or four port splitter.

Not only SDR's cause this kind of problem. I also found that a AR7030 produced wideband noise at the antenna port. Often the noise is also present when only the shield of the antenna cable is connected.

I have solved this problem by using a rf-isolating transformer between the splitter and receiver.

(73. Roelof Bakker. pa0rdt)

Opinion:

#1 - Check all coax feed line connectors and adapters. Are they all tight. and good? No crimp type. all soldered and not shorting or arcing. and not corroded. Also all feed lines need to be real coax. appropriate ohmage for your received freqs of interest. Also best if they are all as short as possible. and all the same type and length. Also check the chassis connectors on the receivers. They should have no movement at all.

#2 - Your signal splitter (esp. if passive) is inadequate. and there is feedback between receivers (and maybe the computer) through the splitter.

#3 - If you do not want to replace the splitter. you can try lots of RF Chokes on the splitter feed lines. At least one at each end of each splitter feed line. More is better. Also put RF Chokes on all cables going into and out of the computer. close to where they connect to the computer. Yes. all cables.

#4 - If your shack is at ground level. a good heavy gauge common bus short wire ground can help. If your shack is above ground level. there is no adequate way to ground.

One more thing: the USB cable from Perseus to Computer needs to be high quality. with RF Chokes molded into both ends of the cable. If not. buy a new one. Again. short is better than long. Do not use USB cable extensions. For less noise. do not use external USB hubs. and avoid USB3 ports. because supplied voltage is much higher for USB3 than it is for USB2. (Sincerely. Rich)

MW-List - Suchfunktion

Für alle Mittelwellenspezialisten gibt es jetzt eine schöne neue Suchfunktion bei der MW-List: Es lassen sich so für jede Frequenz die "Offsets" der einzelnen Stationen aus der umfangreichen und aktuellen MW-List anzeigen. Danke an Günther Lorenz für die Umsetzung! Beispiel: <http://www.mwlist.org/mwoffset.php?khz=1190>

(73 Christoph Ratzer via A-DX)

Nominal kHz: -- type kHz and press [return]

kHz	exact	ITU	Station / Location	Range	Schedule	measured	S Stability / offset details
1190	1189,84	USA	WMEJ (Bay St. Louis, MS)		1300-0100	2012-02-07	
1190	1189,92	ARG	LRA15 Radio Nacional (San Miguel del Tucumán)	[1189.92-1189.935]	24h		
1190	1189,95	B	ZYH459 Rádio Juazeiro (Juazeiro)			2005-05-01	
1190	1189,993	CLM	HJCV Radio Cordillera (Bogotá D. C.)	[-1190.001]		2013-04-01	
1190	1189,9964	USA	KGBN (Anaheim, CA)	[-1189.9967]		2006-12-14	
1190	1189,997	CLM	HJKG Radio Mira CARACOL (Tumaco)			2006-03-12	

Radio Amateur history 30 years ago on the day of 15th anniversary of the RTRS.

August 13. 1986 in Leningrad region my first and last time managed to take the Falkland Islands Broadcasting Station on 2380 kHz. as I remember. morning. P-250M2 receiver on the porch of the house. and in the early hours. checking the range of 120 m. discover on 2380 kHz with a good reception quality music program without any speaker announcements. and the songs are slow and entirely English-language. ie. format is clearly not normally received at this frequency the Brazilian Radio Educadora (running at that frequency until now!). In general. having waited an hour later. the ad YL and realizing that this is really the Falklands. I almost fell off the chair ... of course. were sent to several reports (including repeated). but. alas. the answer from the station have not been received . It took more than 20 years. and here in one of the directories WRTH my eye catches an article on FIBS. which is. of course. no longer broadcasts on HF. and is running an all-female team (servicing SW and FM-transmitters and AFD help them British military signalers with the nearest base of the royal Navy). In general. the writing on the station. already on an email. stating the above-described history and ask whether it is possible to receive the QSL for receiving more than twenty years ago? And. almost fantastic. getting response from Corinne Bishop (station manager). if briefly - "happy to send send a report." End of story? Unfortunately no. Corina QSL sent to a postcard "lost" on the way. perhaps. drowned in the waters of the Atlantic. well not in our main post office as her "disappear". Re-connects with Corina and she kindly send the card again. but already in the envelope. (Mikhail Timofeev. St. Petersburg. Russia)

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From RUS-DX # 885 Anatoly Klepov

Radio Merkurs. Riga

Hej! Jag tycker Raimonds som driver Radio Merkurs på 1485 kHz i Riga behöver uppmuntran. Detta kan förmodar jag publiceras i MV-eko eller SWB och det går bra att lägga ut texten mer eller att översätta den. Bilderna är pinfärsk från tisdag denna veckan. 73 /CES (Karl-Erik Stridh)

The basic information:

Raimonds used to operate the Ulbroka relay station on 9210 kHz with 100 kW. From the same site he also run Radio Nord with 2.7 kW on 945 kHz. The site was later closed and developed for housing. Only a FM antenna mast remains there. It is by other local stations.

The studio is on the 5th floor of an old building in the South part of Riga. Next to the building is the old TV tower from the early 50's, originally used on channel R3. Radio Merkurs originally had an antenna connected to that mast but received complaints from neighbors. Today the mast is used by FM stations. Radio Merkurs feed their transmitting site via Internet with a dedicated signal. As a backup also the streaming on their public site can be fed to the transmitter.

Transmitter site is 15 kilometers outside the city. It is on an island in a river and sometimes the antenna field is flooded. It is close to the Riga bay, a lighthouse and the cranes of the port are visible. The site is located below the approach route to Riga international airport (RIX).

The antenna is a T-antenna with a 25 meter vertical part and a 90 meter horizontal part. Each part consist of two wires making the antenna broadband. There is an extensive ground network below the feed point and the towers. There is only about 10 watts of reflected power from the antenna system. This is read on the New Zealand made Blythe AMBT 253 AM broadcast transmitter. It has three final modules and capable of a maximum of 2.7 kW. Radio Merkurs is running 1 kW and keep one module as a spare.

There is a transmitter engineer living at the site which is shared with a ham radio club station. The site was originally used for communications with submarines in the North Sea.

Radio Merkurs plays mainly non stop oldies, often German ones. There are also some discussion programmes. In the evenings there are a number of relays of different oldie programmes. Rohnny B Goode present rock music. Radio City and Radio Mi Amigo International offer international oldies. There have also been relays of Radio Nord Revival celebrating former Swedish off shore station Radio Nord and also DX-programmes from the Swedish DX federation.

If you are interested in Latvian radio you can sample all stations in the country at www.eradio.lv.

Radio Merkurs is found at <http://www.radionord.lv/>



