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It's time again for another issue of SWB.

This time we have the sad news that one of our long time members Arne Nilsson has left us. We had not heard of him for a long while and I found the reason when googling. He passed away already in October last year. RIP.

Thanks to a huge work by John Ekwall we now have all issues of SWB in digital form already from the first issue in 1961. This work contains 1406 files and will be found in a separate archive, archive-old.htm.

Please take a look at the first files and see the difference compared to the digital format used today. Such a work it must have been to be editor in those days

Also many thanks to Ronny Forslund who continues to provide us with rare QSL's and letters from the past.

Keep on

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DÖDSFALL

Norrfjärden

Arne Nilsson, Sjulsmark, född i Kiruna, har avlidit i en ålder av 75 år.

Jag har haft rätt mycket kontakt med AN under de senaste åren, men hade inte hört ifrån honom på väldigt länge. För att kolla läget mailade jag honom men som förblev obesvarat. Fick då för mig att söka på Google och hittade i Piteå Tidning en kort notis att Arne Nilsson i Sjulsmark avlidit redan i oktober 2020. Arne föddes i Jukkasjärvi 1945 och blev 75 år.

Arne blev intresserad av DX-ing redan 1958 och var de första åren ganska aktiv fram till ca 1963/64 men efter det så var det ganska dåligt, förutom ett par år runt 1974. Arne blev medlem i SSA 1975 när han bodde i Spånga. Han hade då redan fått signalen SMØEJB. På våren 1978 flyttade han 70 mil mot nordost till Sjulsmark. Den orten, som de flesta av oss säkert inte kan peka ut på kartan, ligger ca tre mil norr om Piteå och fyra mil väster om Luleå. De följande 20 åren blev det arbete runt om i världen så det blev nästan ingen tid för radioaktivitet. Men efter 4-5 återfall så vaknade intresset på nytt och Arne blev medlem i SWB 2006 och i ARC 2010. Under åren har många mottagare använts som t ex S-38E, AR88LF, SP-600, Collins 54J3 och IC-71E. Men från 2010 är det Perseus som gäller.

Som radioamatör var han mycket tekniskt intresserad och i sitt sommar-QTH i Gransel hade han möjlighet att sätta upp stora antenner, utöver vanliga beverageantenner byggde han en stor W8JI parallelogramantenn som visade sig vara helt perfekt för att fånga många rariteter på MV.

Under en lång period hade Arne, jag och AHK täta mailkontakter varje vecka med utbyte av hörligheter och annat trevligt. En annan riktigt trevlig händelse var när Arne och hans grabb tittade in till Mardal på väg hem från ett besök på Bordershop i Puttgården där pilsner och diverse alkoholhaltiga drycker inhandlats. Det blev flera timmars trevligt samtal på altanen och det mesta var faktiskt inte radiorelaterat ...

Vi kommer alla att sakna dig och alla fina tips i SWB och MV-Eko.

Vila i frid.

/Thomas Nilsson

Ron Howard. Ramadan 2021 - This year have recently been checking the former RRI frequencies for any new activity.

None noted on 3344.86 (RRI Ternate), 3905 (RRI Merauke), 4789.98v (RRI Fak Fak), 4869.9 (RRI Wamena), 4925 (RRI Jambi) nor 7289.92 (RRI Nabire). In past years, Ternate often reactivated just for Ramadan, but no longer so. (May 3)

Anker Petersen. Xizang PBS, Tibet is still OFF on most of its SW frequencies probably due to the usual spring maintenance, cf. 7385 kHz below.

Dan Olsson. 6020 R Delta, Elburg e-brev och kort, 5970 R 208 Hvidovre e-brev och kort, 9670 SDXF/Channel 292 e-brev. Pirater: 4875 Mystery Radio 21 e-brev, 5580 R Blauwe Panda e-brev, 6291 XTC e-brev, 6325 Image Radio e-brev och kort, 6554 R Jennifer e-brev och kort.

2598U	May14	0110	VCM St. Anthony, Newfoundland, good signal with wx report. (Wilkner)
3310	May13	2352	R Mosoj Chaski, Cotapachi, presumed, very weak, intermittent, unintelligible threshold signal, lots of QRN (XM)
3310	May12	2330	Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, om and yl with a lively chat. (Wilkner)
3325	May1	1855	Voice of Indonesia, Cabang Muda (p) German/Dutch talks (AP-DNK)
3325	May3	1043	Voice of Indonesia, via Palangkaraya, with rare reception. At 1043, already on the air; normally starts about *1100; also rare to have audio today, in English till 1100; into stilted Chinese with the news; 1211, after the news in Japanese, the usual patriotic song "Bagimu Negeri" (For You Our Country); 1300, intro to English; "National News" (Indonesia has just received a large shipment of beef from Brazil, etc.) and "moving onto the International News"; commentary about projected figures for future carbon emission reductions; 1315, "Today In History" (this date in 1973, Australian Patrick White won the Nobel Prize in Literature; this date in 1985, Ellyas Pical, was first world boxing champion from Indonesia; this date in 1993, UN proclaimed the first World Press Freedom Day); better than semi-readable. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
3480	May11	1940	Voice of the People, via Goyang, South Korea Korean talk // 3910, 3930, 4450, 6520 and 6600 all frequencies jammed (AP-DNK)
3945	May11	0755	R. Vanuatu, Vanuatu, Port Vila; reggae music, male outside. Poor, fady (LOB).
3955	May11	1950	Channel 292, Rohrbach nonstop pop songs; 1959 drowned by R Korea ! (AP-DNK)
3955	May1	2117	Channel 292, Rohrdorf. Pops. 35443 (CG)
3955	May11	*2000-	R Korea Int., via Woofferton German ID, German news (AP-DNK)
3975	May11	2010	Shortwaveradio, Winsen German ann, German pop song "Tequilla" (AP-DNK)
3975	May5	2104	Short Wave R, Winsen. Mx. 35332 (CG)
3980	May3	2035	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Gyengi-do. Kor to KRE, tks, mx. 25331 (CG)
3985	May11	2015	R Belarus, via Shortwaveservice, Kall-Krekel. German report about Belarussian economy. QRM Echo of Hope (AP-DNK)
3985	May5	2102	R.Bielorussia via Shortwave Sce., Kall-Krekell. G, nx. 35343 (CG)
3995	May11	2025	HCJB, Weenermoor German talk about running (AP-DNK)
3995	May15	2255	HCJB, Weenermoor, sx 2300 YL ID, tk, ADDR, mx. (TB)
4750	May1	1920	Bangladesh Betar, Shavar Bengali talk (AP-DNK)
4750	May7	-1900*	R Dunamis SW. Mokono-tx. Musaa tauotta, lopussa mainittiin Dunamis Foundation. Bangladeshin piippi alkaa ja ohjelma 15 yli. (KTU/SDXL-IIT)
4750	May1	1250	Bangladesh Betar (External Service). In English and mixing with CNR1; thanks to Dr Hansjoerg Biener, who on March 29, via WOR iog, first reported that BB had corrected their long standing audio problem. Yes, heard today with clear audio; giving the history of Pakistan/Bangladesh relations and about the 1974 agreement between them, as well as the India/ Bangladesh water agreement of 1975; at 1258, with the closing announcement to tune in again tomorrow and then the start of test tone. Not very readable due to CNR1 QRM and VOI was not noted. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
4752	May13	2337	R. Huanta 2000, Huanta; short folk music, "programa Jardim Botanico Inca...gracias por su sintonia...saludos a nuestros amigos del Arequipa...los únicos que estamos entregando lo poderoso tratamiento que consiste em bicarbonato que combina en agua...la cantidad correcta...esto tratamiento recomiendo a todas las personas que tienem pacientes que estan en rehabilitacion...". Excepcionally clear, good signal level but fady (LOB).
4765	May9	-0359*	Radio Progreso, La Habana, Cuban songs. (Méndez)
4774.9	May13	2349	Radio Tarma, Tarma, presumed, mostly an unintelligible threshold signal but on peaks a word or two might get through (XM)
4800	May11	2030	Voice of China, Golmud Chinese talk with piano behind – periodic strong noise QRM // 6000, 6125, 7215, 7230 and 11710 (AP-DNK)
4840	May12	0145	WWCR, Nashville, TN English religious talk, "Amen" // 3215 (AP-DNK)
4875	May13	2346	Radio Roraima, Boa Vista, presumed, threshold level signal. (XM)
4880	May2	1810	Echo of Hope, via Taereung, South Korea. // 5995 (jammed) (AP-DNK)
4885	May3	2040	Echo of Hope, via Taereung, South Korea. Korean conversation and music (AP-DNK)
4885	May3	2033	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Nowong-gu. Kor to KRE, tks, mx. QRM de B. 34342 (CG)
4885	May3	1007	Echo of Hope, Korea South; male in non stop Korean talks, short music. Fair (LOB).
4885	May12	2149	R.Club do Pará, Belém PA. F/ball px Bola de Ouro, advs. 35443 (CG)
4885	May9	0505	Radio Clube do Pará, Belém, Brazilian songs. Very weak today. (Méndez)

4885	May13	2344	Radio Clube do Para, Belem, presumed, as usual the strongest thing in at the time, M in PT talk, poor. (XM)
4890	May11	2020	Echo of Hope, via Taereung, South Korea Korean talk. // 3985 (QRM Belarus) (AP-DNK)
4890	May13	2105	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Nowong-gu. Kor to KRE, tks, mx. 25341 (CG)
4930	May11	2005	VOA Africa Sce., via Moepeng Hill English ann, African Beat // 6195 (AP-DNK)
4940	May3	0603	Unid. song at S9, stronger than usual direct, often JBA, the still fuzzy outlet which runs all night and presumably all day with good signals into Bonaire remote, from Maicao for Venezuela, known as La Montaña, or Montana, or Fuerza de Paz as the ministry website programming source succeeding the 5910 & 6010 stations (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
4940	May9	0550	Unid religious Station, Spanish, religious comments. Very weak. (Méndez)
4949.7	May8	1950	Radio Nacional de Angola, Mulenvos. Extremely weak, barely audible. (Méndez)
4955	May13	2340	Radio Cultural Amauata, Huanta, presumed, unintelligible threshold level signal, this appears to s/off at 0000. (XM)
4955	May12	2345	Radio Cultural Amauta Huanta, om seemingly in Spanish, weak signal. (Wilkner)
4960	May11	2040	VOA, via Pinheira Hausa conversation (AP-DNK)
5020	May5	0924	R. Solomon Islands BC, Solomon Islands, Honiara; female in english talks, music. Fair, clear, some QRM of 5025 Cuba (LOB).
5025	May12	0150	R Rebelde, Bauta Spanish ann, adv., time check. (AP-DNK)
5025	May10	2229	R. Quillabamba, Peru, Cusco; male and female Spanish religious talks, "dar testimonio del pasion...del Jesus...como el espiritu fortalecerá...". Poor to fair (LOB).
5040	May12	0155	R Habana Cuba, Bauta Spanish conversation about Cuba. (AP-DNK)
5040	May8	1230	AIR Jeypore. A change in format? Seems different now. My local sunrise today was at 1306. 1230-1235: Subcontinent music (clearly no news!); 1235-1240: News; too weak to make out the language?; 1240: More subcontinent music (indigenous singing/chanting) (clearly no news!); Is this really a new format with only 5 minutes of news? (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)
5055	May1	-1304*	Radio 4KZ, noted cutting off at 1303:50*. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
5085	May12	0200	WTWW, Lebanon, TN English religious talk, hymn Hum on frequency (AP-DNK)
5857.48 AM	May7	1005	HLL2 Seoul. With English weather info from various observatories in sia (Shanghai, etc.) providing wind direction, wind speed in meters per second, air pressure in hectopascals, temperature in Celsius; mostly fair; heard daily. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
5895	May2	1115	R Northern Star, Erdal English singing ID: "Radio Northern Star", pop songs (AP-DNK)
5895	May4	2146	R.Northern Star, Erdal. Pops. 25341 (CG)
5895	May8	2004	Radio Northern Star, Bergen, pop and rock songs, id. "Radio Northern Star". (Méndez)
5915	May3	2140	ZNBC, Lusaka Vernacular ann, Afropop songs, telephone interview (AP-DNK)
5915	May9	0407	Zambia NBC, Radio 1, Lusaka, Vernacular comments, songs. (Méndez)
5915	May1	0227	R Zambia. Listened for over half an hour, occasional word got through, but mostly an unintelligible threshold signal. (XM)
5920	May2	1120	HCJB, Weenermoor German religious talk CWQRM in LSB // 3995 (AP-DNK)
5920	May4	1400	Voice of Freedom. Finally moved away from ex: 6045 and the super jamming there from N. Korea; first day back to their alternate frequency and decent reception; thanks to a timely tip from Amano, who today reported: <i>"Below is breaking news. Back on alternate frequency 5920 (ex: 6045), *0753-, May 4 (Tuesday). The existence of the unmodulated signal on 5920 kHz was already confirmed at 0700 UT. *0752-, confirmed the start of VOF on 5920 kHz. -0800-, I confirmed the start of "Hamkke tteonaneun eum-ag-yeohaeng (Let's go music together)" at this frequency with the start of "There's A Kind Of Hush" sung by the Carpenters. NK Super Jamming on 6045 kHz still heard powerful. 5925 kHz is still no jamming.</i> Amano Saitama at home, Japan Today (May 4), at 1400, I heard the same program he heard at 0800 ("Hamkke tteonaneun eum-ag-yeohaeng" [Let's go music together]). My 8 minute audio is posted at http://bit.ly/3vHeEzr . After 1430+, strong QRM from Vatican Radio, via Philippines, in Hindi. Observed frequencies on May 3 (Monday) for this week: Voice of the People: 3480 // 3910 // 3930 // 4450 // 6520 // 6600, at 1015 UT; earlier the reception was too poor to confirm. Echo of Hope - VOH: 3980 // 4885 (QRM Brazil) // 5990 // 6250 // 6348 // 9100, at 0850 UT. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)
5930	May4	1210	WMR, Bramming English ID: "World Music Radio", pop songs – best in USB (AP-DNK)

5930	May9	0510	World Music Radio, Bramming, Latin American songs, pop songs in English, id. "World Music Radio". (Méndez)
5930	May10	1950	World Music Radio with non-stop Latin songs. 3 (CB)
5970	May9	1105	R 208, Hvidovre English pop songs // 1440 (AP-DNK)
5970	May4	2148	R. 208, Hvidovre. Pops. 25341 (CG)
5980	May9	1110	OZ-Viola, Hillerød via groundwave Danish ann, pop music (AP-DNK)
5985	May7	*1154-	Myanmar Radio. Seems that one of the Myanmar transmitters is not working. Normally in the past, both 5985 and 9730 each had separate transmitters, evidenced by both frequencies often heard on the air at the same time, but recently as soon as 9730 closes down, 5985 starts operating; today 9730, went off at 1154*, continuing on with their new schedule (ex: 1130*). May 8, heard 9730, with 1156* and 5985, with *1156. Later on May 7 - Checking for the Friday edition of "Say It In English"; heard at 1243-1256; "What is the best way to London? (way to the airport?) . . What do you think I should do? . . Can you recommend a good hotel? (a good restaurant?) (a good book?) . . ." "Tom" has to travel to Guildford on business and "Kate" wants to come along, but they get caught in a traffic jam; semi-readable. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)
5995	May3	2140	R Mali, Kati Vernacular talk (AP-DNK)
5995	May9	0559	Radio Mali, Bamako, interval signal, id. "Vous écoutez L'Office de Radiodiffusion Television de Mali emettant de Bamako...", Koran songs. (Méndez)
6005	May15	2040	Radio Delta International with an enjoyable music show. 3 CB
6020	May9	*0600-	Radio Delta International, Elburg id. "...Radio Delta International...on the short wave band", pop and rock songs, "This is Delta Radio International". (Méndez)
6050	May9	-0459*	HCJB, Pichincha, religious songs, id. HCJB, Spanish, comments, anthem and close. at 0358 strong QRM from Algeria on the same frequency. (Méndez)
6070	May12	2340	CFRX Toronto news items with yl, one ID. (Wilkner)
6085	May2	1145	R Mi Amigo, Kall-Krekel English pop songs (AP-DNK)
6090	May3	2150	China Business R, Golmud Chinese talk with music behind // 6190 (AP-DNK)
6090	May9	0404	Voice of Amhara State, Addis Ababa, Vernacular comments. (Méndez)
6105	May1	0240	NHK World: R Japan, via Issoudun, cmntry in JP by several M and W, a very strong, clear signal, local quality. (XM)
6110	May9	0407	Radio Fana, Addis Ababa, Vernacular, comments. (Méndez)
6130			LNR. Recently emailed the Director General of Lao National Radio (Phosy Keomanvong), saying in part: "For a long time now I have noted the absence of LNR on SW. I hope that you will again be able to transmit on 6130 kHz. in the near future. Your presence on SW is greatly missed!" No reply yet. Thanks to Mauno Ritola, for his encouragement to contact LNR. Now with the temporary absence of Xizang PBS (Tibet - Lhasa), it is especially clear that LNR is not broadcasting on 6130. (May 8) (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)
6135.1	May9	0435	Radio Aparecida, Aparecida, religious comments. (Méndez)
6135.2	May12	2330	Radio Aparecida, Aparecida, SP. weak PT programming, yl then om. (Wilkner)
6140	May2	1150	R Onda, Bruxelles Brazilian songs (AP-DNK)
6150	May2	1155	R Europa 24, Datteln English pop songs (AP-DNK)
6165	May9	0611	this is the only RHC English still on; the other four are off. So what becomes of Esperanto at 0700 Sunday only? Nominally it's appended on 6100, not 6165. Would they turn 6100 back on? Something's always wrong at RHC. Ivo Ivanov reports about 6165 instead of 6100: ``And today respectively no broadcast of RHC in Esperanto at 0700 UT. Very good signal via SDR Half Moon Bay, CA, USA. Something's always wrong at Radio Habana Cuba Bauta transmitter center!!`` After 1500, Esperanto confirmed on usual 11760 & 15140 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
6185	May9	0412	Radio Educación, Ciudad de México, comments, songs, music, at 0500 anthem, id. "...Radio Educación... Cultura México Señal Internacional...", music. (Méndez)
6185	May13	0856	Radio Educación, Mexico, Mexico City; (muzac style music). Poor (LOB).
6200	May7	1230	Voice of Jinling, *1228-1229* and *1230+. Started with their well known double sign on; on for about 25 seconds, then off for about 43 seconds, then finally on to stay; in Chinese and EZL song. Currently with nice clear reception, due to Xizang PBS (Tibet - Lhasa) now being off the air here for temporary maintenance, which normally causes some QRM for VOJL. Thanks to Wolfie for this item: "RTC Kashgar-Kashi broadcast center of CRI, on refurbishing repair action on April 15 til 29, 2021; acc mail from CRI Beijing German scc. Maybe the RTC transmitter engineers solved the Kashgar work and now moved to Tibetan CTB Lhasa-Baiding site for annual maintenance refurbishing work ? (wb, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 24)"

My unedited audio of VOJL starting up today, posted at <http://bit.ly/3evdlh8> . (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)

6230	May11	2108	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. Better on // 7810.065, worse on // 7730.106 25342 (CG)
6245	May2	1758	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks. Jammed. 34342 (CG)
6250	May3	2037	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks, mx 34342 (CG)
6255	May11	2106	R.Echo of Hope (cland.), Hwaseong. Kor to KRE, tks, mx. QRM de jammer + adj. uty. signal. 24431 (CG)
6340.2	May3	2039	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks, mx. 25331 (CG)
6370.1	May1	2111	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25432 (CG)
6520	May5	2116	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. Jammed. 33341 (CG)
6600	May13	2103	Voice Of The People (cland.), Goyang. Kor to KRE, tks. Jammed. 23441 (CG)
6676U	May8	*1250-	Singapore Radio, *1250-1254*. VOLMET weather for Hong Kong, Bali, etc.; "Broadcast ends. Singapore Radio out"; fairly readable. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
7140	May9	0402	Voice of Broad Masses, Asmara, Vernacular, comments, East African songs. (Méndez)
7180	May9	0404	Voice of Broad Masses, Asmara, Vernacular comments. Very weak. (Méndez)
7205	May9	0401	Sudan Radio, Al Aitahab, Arabic, comments, mentioned "Sudan". (Méndez)
7254.9	May3	0558	VON IS at S9+10/20, sporadically active here again when it blasts into N America, presumably about to start Hausa hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
7260	May4	0529	R. Vanuatu, Vanuatu, Port Vila; pop music selections. Poor, fady, QRM growth of 7265 over the listenig (LOB).
7260	May15	-0559*	Radio Vanuatu, 0505-0559*. Seeing as they are now into their "winter" season, the reception is improving day-by-day; playing non-stop island songs from 0505 to 0529, followed by a long interview. Was listening in LSB, so rather interesting to suddenly note the start of the unique Voice of Nigeria IS at 0558, with audio bleeding over from 7254.93. *0559-0735 UT, RV best on 7890 (harmonic), with 11835 (harmonic) being much poorer, due to mixing with CNR2 (BTW - On May 12, Wednesday, noted CNR2 here before 0600, but clearly off the air after 0600+). Mostly playing island songs, but here are a few points of interest: 0604-0619: Drama in Bislama. 0628: Weather/temperatures for the various provinces. 0659-0700: Promo for the upcoming May 17-18 "ICT Days" (Information and Communication Technologies), being held at Unity Park, King's Town (website - https://ict-days.gov.vu/). 0700: Rare ID with frequencies (100 FM, 1125 MW, etc.); local time check ("6 o'clock") and into the news till 0713. My audio from today, with two minutes of island singing, ending with ID/frequencies, posted at http://bit.ly/3fioWiR . Even with heavy QRN (static), I still enjoy listening to RV. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)
7385	May3	2055	Xizang PBS, Baiding, Tibet. All parallels were still OFF. (AP-DNK)
7730.1	May4	2144	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 15341 (CG)
7810.1	May3	2041	Sound Of Hope R Int'l. Empty carrier, ditto at 2100. 25341 (CG)
7890	May12	0625	(H), R. Vanuatu, Vanuatu, Port Vila; male talks. Poor; 3945 inaudible this hour, has had its peak around 0730 (LOB).
9155.1	May2	2104	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25341 (CG)
9200.1	May2	2106	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25341 (CG)
9230	May5	2121	UnID, site? Mand, tks, mx. Jamming against TWN's Sound Of Hope R Int'l. (CG)
9280.1	May10	2137	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25331 (CG)
9420	May11	1935	Voice of Greece, Vathy Greek ann, folksongs, overmodulated (AP-DNK)
9475	May4	1447	National Unity Radio, from 1447 to 1448. Brief Chinese language lesson; started and ended with Joyce Chu singing "Hao xiang ni - I Miss You"; mostly in Korean; a few words in Chinese and a sentence using the words. Thanks very much to Glenn Hauser for noticing this repeated language lesson given 2 hours later than I had been hearing the same program. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)
9665	May11	2130	R.Voz Missionária, Camboriú SC. Rlgs. propag. Co-ch. QRM. 34432 (CG)
9774	May11	-0859*	Fu Hsing BS, 9774 // 15375, 0753-0859*. Tuned in to a very weak signal on 9774, and finally remembered to check // 15375, which I rarely remember to do; found it much better than 9774; positive // reception; at 0855, noted both of them about equal strength, when I was also able to confirm that their third frequency of 9410, continues to be off the air, as recently noted. Very pleased today to find 15375 doing so well. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)
9818.8	May8	2010	Radio 9 de Julho, Sao Paulo, religious comments. (Méndez)

9818.9	May13	2111	R. 9 de Julho, São Paulo SP. Tks. Adj. QRM de de CHN on 9820. 14431 (CG)
9835	May7	1044	Sarawak FM, via Kajang (on the west coast of the Malaysia peninsular - not from Sarawak). The distinctive Islamic Maghrib (sunset prayer) call-to-prayer. My audio is posted at http://bit.ly/3xUBcLz . Much better audio here than now being heard via Wai FM, on 11665. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA)
10869.4	May13	2109	Sound Of Hope R Int'l (p), unk. site. Tks. 15331 (CG)
11100.1	May12	2156	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 15431 (CG)
11440	May12	2154	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25432 (CG)
11460.1	May12	2152	Sound Of Hope R Int'l, unk. site. Mand to CHN, tks. 25432 (CG)
11780	May8	1959	Radio Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia, Brazilian songs, comments. (Méndez)
11835	May4	0601	H), R. Vanuatu, Vanuatu, Port Vila; music selections. Poor, degrading over listening (LOB).
11965	May10	2030	Madagascar World Voice with African Pathways Radio. 3-4 (CB)
15140	May9	1901	RHC English opening on this only; missed checking on May 8 or 7 since May 6 was missing from both frequencies as 15370 had been alone on May 3. Something's always wrong at RHC (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
15190	May8	1931	Radio Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte, soccer, live matches. (Méndez)
15190.1	May1	2115	R.Inconfidência, Belo Horizonte MG. F/ball px. 25431 (CG)
15476U	May8	1501	LRA 36, Radio Arcángel San Gabriel, Base Esperanza, Latin American songs, comments, male, female. Very weak, strong fading, audible at times. (Méndez)
15475.98	May15	1442	tune-in via Brasília #2 KiwiSDR, LRA36 is underway, only S1-S4 but noise level is low enough that it's partially readable; talking about a birthday; 1445 music; 1501 ID, this-day-in-Argentine-history mentioning events in 1994, 1904, 1909, etc., W&M alternating items. 1506 contact info, song; 1511 ``Nacional Antártida Argentina, en todo el país, la radio pública``, one of several canned IDs. Then mostly alternating songs and IDs. 1514 as LRA36, 1518, 1522. 1523 says this will repeat Saturday at 11 horas [= 14 UT], and be back next Wednesday; Antártida song stops at 1527, and no more modulation; but switching to 15475.00-USB I can tell the reduced carrier stays on past 1549 when I quit, but gone at re-check 1621. (I didn't check on Wed May 12) (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)
15790	May9	0728	World Music Radio, Randers, very nice Latin American songs, id. "Transmitimos 24 horas 7 días de la semana, esta es WMR...", other songs. (Méndez)

Pirate Stations

4815	May14	2100	Continental R - pir. Du/E, pops, Dutch songs, tks, pops. // 5880 rtd. 45444. 35332 (CG)
4875	May8	1850	Mystery Radio 21, pop and rock songs, id. "Mystery Radio 21". (Méndez)
4875	May13	2307	R. Mystery 21; instrumental dance music selections. Poor, deteriorating; the best listening time changes from night to night of this station (LOB).
4875	May3	2031	Mystery R 21 - pir. Pops. 35443 (CG)
5140	May5	2107	Charleston R Int'l - pir. Oldies. 35342 (CG)
5790	May7	2107	Free R Victoria - pir. E, pops, tks. 35342 (CG)
5880	May14	2102	Continental R - pir. Du/E, pops, Dutch songs, tks, pops. // 4815 rtd 35332. 45444 (CG)
5885	May4	2140	R.Rock Revolution - pir. Pops. 35342 (CG)
6205	May3	0908	Radio Onda Corta Venezuela, Venezuela, El Tigre; latin music selections, male: "la musica...ROCV, Radio Internacional!". Poor to fair (LOB).
6245	May8	2111	R.Batavia - pir. Pops. 35343 (CG)
6265.2	May14	1853	R.March Music - pir. Songs, folk mx. ID via DX press. 25331 (CG)
6270	May2	1752	R.Barones - pir. Du/G/E, pops, tks, songs, R. Viking fem. op. w/ greetings to Baro. (CG)
6270	May14	1855	R.Telstar - pir. Du, songs, tks, mx oldies. ID via DX press. 25331 (CG)
6275	May8	2125	R.Cuckoo - pir. Light mx. 35343 (CG)
6280	May14	1859	R.Quadzilla - pir. Mx. Country & stn ID via DX press. 25342 (CG)
6282	May6	-2207*	KR-1 R - pir. Du/E, mx, s/off anns. 35443 (CG)
6284	May8	2109	KR-1 R - pir. Du, pops, anns. 35343 (CG)
6285	May1	-2110*	R.Parade Int'l (t) - pir. Oldies. T-ID via DX press. 25341 (CG)
6285	May14	2155	KR-1 R - pir. Pops. 35443 (CG)
6288	May14	2056	KR-1 R - pir. Du/E, songs, tks. Later QSY 6285. 35443 (CG)
6295	May7	2109	R.Pioneer (t) - pir. Pops. T-ID via DX press. 35342 (CG)
6295	May9	2102	Reflections Europe - pir. E, rlg. propag. pxs. // 12255 rtd. 25442. 35443 (CG)
6295	May10	2135	OSM R - pir. Du/E, rlg. propag. in Amer. E, mx. Why pir. stns polluting waves w/ rlg. propag.? 35343 (CG)
6305.1	May3	2043	R.Merlin Int'l - pir. E, pops. 35342 (CG)
6985	May1	2113	R.The Vault - pir. E, pops. 35343 (CG)

7475 May5 0444 new frequency 7475-AM (ex: 7470), religious pirate YHWH. Tuned in at 0444, to hear the unmistakable voice of Josiah, but unreadable; about 0500, had a period of semi-readable reception, but quickly went downhill again to being completely unreadable till cut off at 0513*. Around this time last year, he was also on 7475.

I have to agree with Walter Salmaniw's and Rick Barton's comments regarding new programming. The little bit I heard tonight sounded very much like new material. Since I first heard YHWH back in 2013, I dare say that over the years since then, I have heard all his previous recordings and tonight seemed a different diatribe. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, Calif.)

12255 May9 2105 Reflections Europe - pir. E, rlg. propag. pxs. // 6295 rtd. 35443. 25442 (CG)

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Station news

USA. WMLK Radio announced on their Facebook page on 16 April that their new 300 kW Ampegon SW transmitter is now on their site at Bethel, Pennsylvania and awaiting installation. Has been off air since a fire in 2017, look out for transmissions possibly in the near future **on 9275 kHz**.
([WOR] Communication, BDXC-UK May items)

Other radio news

SWB Archive is now scanned including all issues from no. 1 - 1406

Thanks to our long time member John Ekwall the SWB archive is now complete from the first issue, no. 1. It all started in 1961 and here is the background story copied from the article when SWB turned 40 years old and written by Börge Eriksson. (Google translation from Swedish).

Background

During the latter part of the 1950s, interest in the DX hobby in our country "exploded" and in almost every parish (called municipality today) DX clubs grew up. Many of these clubs also had their own DX magazine, some of which were really large. The technical journals "Teknikens Värld" and "Teknik för Alla" had thousands of members registered in their DX clubs.

The year was 1961. Kjell Ekholm and MKVK (Malmö Kortvägsklubb) had invited the country's DX-ers to a DX meeting in Malmö. Several active DX-ers responded to the invitation and the meeting became a hit.

At this meeting, the problem of sharing quick log information between the active DXs was discussed. The club magazines were published monthly in most cases and the time between the time a station was logged to the stop date and publication was therefore often long. So the news was spread slowly between listeners.

Therefore, it was with great interest that the idea for faster and better information was discussed, which Jan Pettersson (from 1965, Jan Prevéus), threw forward at this meeting - a log bulletin for the most active to be published every week.

We were some who took Jan's ideas to heart and since it was summer and LA season, it was probably mostly the LA-interested people who took the idea.

Said and done. A few weeks later came the first issue. A simple edition in impact copy so the print was not the best. No membership fee was charged, but every week they sent their tips and QSL information to Jan and then attached a stamped reply envelope. Closing dates on Saturday and on Monday the bulletin was in their hands. The bulletin had no name, but among us who were part of the gang, it was simply called "JP's bulle".

The number of members grew steadily and both African and Asian DX members joined, but those interested in LA were in the majority because it was the LA DX members JP had first turned to. The model for SWB was born. An idea had been put into practice. /Börge Eriksson

The old archive for issue 1 – 1406 can be found here: <http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/archive-old.htm>

John, thanks a lot for taking your time to scan all those issues. Very interesting to look at the first issues and see all the stations logged at the Tropical bands. Those were the days ...
/TN

WRTH Updates

The full and monitored A21 schedules can be downloaded from this link:

http://www.wrth.com/_shop/wp-content/uploads/WRTH2021IntRadioSuppl2_A21Schedules.pdf

Right click the link and choose 'Save link as...' to save the file to your hard drive.

This is a free download but please consider making a donation via the Updates tab so that we can continue to produce these downloads.

(Glenn Hauser via WOR)

[WOR] May Australian DX News items

Interesting note from John Faulkner:

6780 kHz - CW -2 4/7 - believed to be AXA-210 Australian Defence Force (reported on hfunderground.com by Looking-Glass at Kiama, NSW). There is a YouTube video by Curt W9SPY

https://youtu.be/pe8_6dg-rB4

He specialises in HF beacons. This has been reported from as far away as the UK and had a mention by Eddy Waters in the April column. 6780 kHz is in the middle of the ISM (industrial, medical & scientific band) which would make sense if it was some type of time signal.

Signal format is a series of 'dits' at one second intervals, followed by a one second 'dah', by On-Off Keying or CW if you prefer. In over 90% of cases it is a series of 19 'dits', followed by a 'dah', but occasionally there will be 17, 18, 23, 24 or even just 3 or 5 'dits'

before the 'dah'. At night there are some periods when only a series of long 'dahs', longer than 2 seconds each, can be heard. In southern Sydney, the signal is strong even over S9 noise. There is no fading or fluttering which indicates that the transmitter is local, probably either Holsworthy Army Base or RAAF Richmond. With no DF equipment, I can't be sure.

The signal is loud enough to be heard at S1 in a receiver with the antenna disconnected, so maybe Holsworthy. Hope this is useful for the column. (ed. Thanks John absolutely mate thank you!) Youtube video here:

https://youtu.be/pe8_6dg-rB4

QSL ENVY

I guess you have had that feeling of envy all of you who collect QSLs. "Oh, he got that rare catch and furthermore, he also received the QSL! Why not me? I should have been on the spot, on that frequency at the right time! Why not me?" Maybe your grief of a lost chance overshadows the joy of the success you feel on other occasions when only you find a rare one.....

I felt that old thorn in the flesh when I had read about the close-down of AIR Panaji on SW and then read the saga of this station and its predecessor Emissora de Goa and saw the QSLs. An old envy set fire again! The QSL from Emissora de Goa I never got!

In my little hometown Kristinehamn the number of DXers has always been limited. When a teenager I got in touch with a guy older than me, Erik Wicklund, who had built his SW receiver from a kit he had bought from Italy. Erik's father was a priest but he was more interested in practical things than theory and had become a wood-cutter. Erik's best DX catch was no doubt Emissora de Goa in the 31 m band. I saw the QSL letter and I tried and I tried over and over again. I did hear the station but I never got details for a report, I no more remember why. Then Goa ceased to exist as a Portuguese colony and a rare DX Country disappeared.

Erik went to the happy hunting grounds many hears ago. I am still alive at 86, hunting for QSLs. As the XYLs often say, it's tolerable when men are playing their innocent games, such as a hobby..... I still find it enjoyable. I got my radio, my XYL got her TV. Splended harmony...

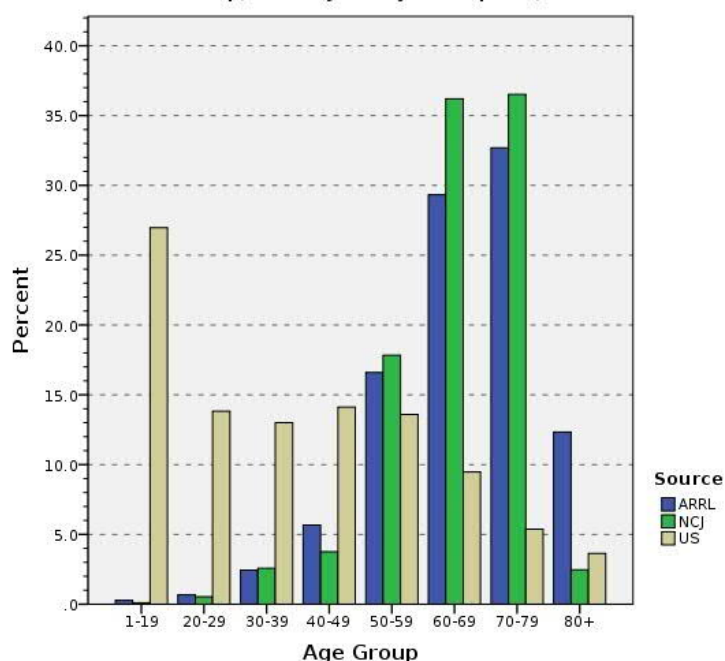
But I can never forgive myself for not getting a QSL from Goa!

How about you and your QSL envy?

(Ullmar Qvick)

[SDR-Radio] The Decline of Ham Radio

Figure 3. Age Distribution of U.S. Population, ARRL Membership, and NCJ Survey Participants, 2019



A very interesting article: [Lemmings Over a Demographic Cliff? • AmateurRadio.com](#) the image below shows a big problem we have (NCJ is the National Context Journal).

Add to that the strong possibility that solar cycle 25 will fizzle out.

Simon Brown, G4ELI
<https://www.sdr-radio.com>

[WOR] May CIDX Messenger items

Short Film: Radio Londres (2017)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CqfUgCL_Sxw Running Time – 22:23

This short film, written and directed by Adam Pickford, stars Lev Levermore and Emma Gilbey. It's 1944. It's the story of the life of a family in occupied France. Years of oppression are taking their toll, yet one resistance fighter persists. His last daring sabotage mission threatens to tear what is left of his family apart. Radio Londres was a station that broadcast from 1940 to 1944 by the BBC to Nazi occupied France. It broadcast seemingly obscure phrases, completely without context. These were coded messages for the French Resistance.

Radio-A Short Film (2016)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NT1boTu-18> Running Time – 14:02

A film by Rusho Mahtab, starring Rhyse Jensen-Gorham, Emily Jensen.

There are thousands of amateur radio operators in the United States.

This story is about two of them. There isn't a lot of information about this film to be found. Rusho Mahtab is a Bengali music composer, record producer, musician and singer. His biography indicates that he always wanted to make a film. It's an odd little film, with amateur radio at the heart of it.

Historic Falkland Islands Broadcasting Station - Live broadcast of the Argentine Invasion in 1982 - Parts 1 and 2

Part 1 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=agX45iQ1IP8> – Running Time – 52:52

Part 2 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=REGYK49DAIY> – Running Time – 50:50

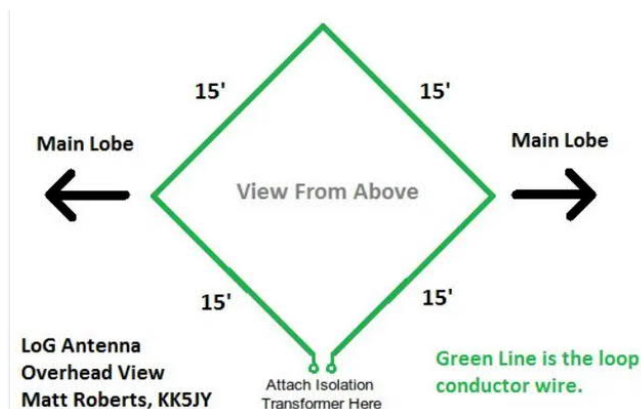
These are extracts from the famous live broadcast of the Falkland Islands Broadcasting Service on the night of the Argentine Invasion of the Falkland Islands 01-02 April 1982. FIBS announcer Patrick Watts famously kept the station on the air throughout the fighting on the night of the invasion and into the beginning of the occupation.

(via WOR)

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

Longtime Swedish mediumwave and shortwave DXer John Ekwall has sent along a bunch of good-looking station envelopes, which we have posted in the "Radio Envelopes" section under "Specialized Resources." These envelopes are from mediumwave stations in Central America and the Caribbean and are from the mid-1990s. They were won by John at an Arctic Radio Club convention and were originally used by the stations to mail their information to the World Radio TV Handbook. *Thanks, John.* -- And under "Specialized Resources/The DX Recordings of Tetsuya Hirahara," we have posted recordings from 1998 of All India Radio shortwave stations in: Aizawl, Calcutta, Guwahati, Imphal, Itanagar, Kohima, Kurseong, and Shillong, and Gangtok in Sikkim. *Thanks, Tetsuya.*
(Jerry Berg)

Ever heard of the LoG (The loop-on-ground antenna)?



This is the simplest possible way to erect an antenna. Simply put the wire on the ground. Matt Roberts, a US radioamateur, developed this simple antenna. Read all about it here: <http://www.kk5jy.net/LoG/>

There are a few articles written by radio amateurs about this antenna. All are very positive to use this type of antenna for reception on 80- and 160 mb. Here is a link to a positive article: <https://tapr.org/loop-on-ground-log-antenna/>

But what about using such an antenna on MW. Here is a translation of a practical test written by Michael Schnitzer in Germany. The article was published in A-DX and written in German. Here is a translation, hopefully most of it correct. /TN

Michael Schnitzer: I've heard of a LoG antenna, a LoG is nothing that could please us DXers. Much too low signal level and much too much noise.

Here is another and for the time being, last round on this topic. This time with a practical approach. A few days ago I built a LoG antenna with the following data:

Circumference: 40m

Alignment: bidirectional for 60° and 240°

Balun: winding ratio 2: 5 with binocular core

Connection cable: coax 75 Ohm

Values from West from 2200-2300 CEST:				And here are the values from the East :			
		EWE-240°	LoG			EWE-60°	LoG
		dB	dB			dB	dB
198	BBC	9 + 10	4	225	POL	9	1
576	RNE	9 + 20	7	540	HNG	9 + 10	5
621	RNE	9	3	756	ROU	9	3
657	RAI	9 + 20	6	792	CZE	9 + 20	5
666	SER	9	2	810	MKD	9 + 10	6
738	RNE	9 + 20	6	855	ROU	9 + 20	7
783	COPE	9 + 10	4	954	CZE	9 + 30	9 + 10
801	RNE	9 + 10	4	1062	CZE	9	5
1044	SER	9 + 20	7	1152	ROU	9 + 20	9
1296	SER	9 + 20	9	1179	ROU	9 + 20	9 + 10
1539	SER	9 + 10	5	1314	ROU	9 + 10	9
				1548	MDA	9 + 20	9 + 10

The data speak for themselves. Under my local conditions the LoG only works halfway in the upper MW range and also only to the East. The "Balkan signals" above 1000 kHz from the LoG are about 10-15dB below the EWE signals. That was expected and not surprising. The results in the bottom MW area as well as LW are a single fiasco.

The results in the direction of 240°: are a real catastrophe Total failure and no sign of bidirectionality! It is a mystery why my LoG only "looks one-eyed", namely to the Balkans.

I don't want to claim that the LoG is generally no good. I just say one thing: in my garden it was not possible to reproduce the positive effects obtained by other hobby friends. For whatever reasons I don't know! A possible source of error could be the balun. A bigger dimensioned binocular core transformer would possibly have a positive effect for the reception of lower frequencies.

The LoG antenna doesn't even begin to convince me. At the moment I can't find any advantages of this antenna system. At best, what remains is the generally reported favorable signal / noise ratio. I can only say: No evaluation possible because there is hardly any signal ...

(vy 73, Michael Schnitzer via A-DX)

Here is another link to check: <https://kg3v.com/2020/01/04/loop-on-ground-the-simplest-receive-antenna-you-will-ever-build-and-it-works/>

(TN)

2021 Ultralight Radio Shootout, Five Hot Little Portables Brighten Up the Pandemic

By Gary DeBock, Puyallup, WA, USA. April 2021



The 39-page 2021 Ultralight Radio Shootout review is available for download!

Fully detailed reviews of the XHDATA D-808, Radiowow R-108, C. Crane Skywave (Basic and SSB), Tecsun PL-330 and the Tecsun PL-380 are included, with honest descriptions of the strong and weak points of every model. Finally, a detailed Shootout section compares each model's MW sensitivity, MW selectivity, FM sensitivity, SW sensitivity and AIR band sensitivity in a fight to the finish!

The Final Verdicts tell you who is still standing--- and why!

The full story can be found here:

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THE COLLINS 851S-1 RECEIVER



The Rockwell-Collins 851S-1 is the latest offering in our expanding line of user-oriented HF receiver products. The 851S-1 features 'continuous' rate sensitive tuning and a phase-locked digital variable bfo. A single rotary knob tunes either the receiver frequency or the bfo offset- At low rotation speeds, the frequency change is linear to provide fine tuning down to 1 Hz. As the knob rotations speed increases, the frequency change rate increases exponentially to allow rapid tuning. Coarse and fine tuning rates are front panel selectable to facilitate large frequency excursion.

Coverage 250 - 29999 kHz, modes AM, USB / LSB, CW, optional ISB and FM.

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Standard bandwidths 16 / 6 kHz, USB 2,7 kHz; LSB 2,7 kHz; no remote control facilities.

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The Rockwell Collins 851s-1 is not an ordinary shortwave or HF receiver! This brand specializes in building some of the top communications equipment for the military, government, and Amateur radio gear! This model gets you that commercial and military spec performance and quality and is truly one of the best receivers you'll ever find for at home shortwave and ham radio band listening. Because of this reputation, no expense was saved in making this model a top performer either. If you're looking for the best, this is the line you want to look into. This model even came with optional filters to complement the stock 2.7khz SSB and 16khz AM IF filters as well.

This doesn't skip bands like some of the cheaper shortwave receivers. The Rockwell Collins 851s-1 covers 0.25 MHz all the way through 30Mhz so you don't miss anything in HF coverage. Tuning and switches are solid and the selectivity specs (some also refer to this spec as channel rejection) is exceptional! This model also supports remote operation (optional accessory) which also makes it somewhat unique in this regard. If you're in the market for higher end equipment as either a avid hobbyise or just a collector, this is a model to consider.

Some links to check:

<https://www.collinsradio.org/cca-collins-historical-archives/the-equipment-of-collins-radio/the-s-word-or-solid-state/851s-1/>

<http://hf-80.com/rockwell-collins-851s-1/>

<http://hamradioforsale.com/Rockwell-Collins-851s-1-Receiver.html>

DX nostalgia by RFK

Hello all you DX enthusiasts out there! Time again for some DX nostalgia which reminds us of another time. A better time, some would argue. I guess you could say DX-ing has always been much of a collecting hobby. A QSL became a physical trophy as a result of our hunting among the airwaves. After all: what would any sport be without a trophy, a tangible asset showing what you have achieved? On the other hand many QSLs are not the result of actually hearing a station and reporting it but the result of fraud. Faked reports. Many stations have eagerly sent out QSLs without actually checking the reports, just as any souvenirs. It may have served some marketing purposes to be able to show reception reports from distant listeners to potential advertisers. Most of the station staff never understood what it was all about. Fortunately, many radio engineers were hams or DX-ers themselves so they knew about the beauty of a QSL.

Somehow an email QSL simply will never be the same. If we can't get the old times back we can at least enjoy looking at old QSLs and remember how it used to be. That, my friends, is nostalgia.

Let's start with a QSL from Kanwar Sandhu. Many local stations of All India Radio verified directly and some even had their own QSL cards, like AIR in Hyderabad.



This QSL was also received by Kanwar. The station started as Male Radio in 1962 and at the time it was a hobby operation, broadcasting short news items. None of the involved had any experience in broadcasting. As the station was taken over by the Cinema Company within a year the name was changed to Seneco Radio. In 1966 the station became a government operation and in 1968 the first real broadcasting house was built. The station could be heard regularly in Europe on a frequency just outside the 60 metre band, 4740 kHz. After some absence the station is now back on MW 1458 kHz.

Voice of Maldives,
Male', Rep. of Maldives

Dear Mr. / Mrs. / Miss KANWAR SANDHU

We gratefully acknowledge receipt of your QSL containing reception report of our broadcast on 1458 kHz dated 24th August 87 and confirm that the material contained therein is substantially accurate / ~~inaccurate~~ The inaccuracies are based on timings / programme material / frequencies / identification We give below a schedule of our broadcasts.


Frequency in kHz	Time in G.M.T.	Power output
1458	0030 - 0400 0800 - 1500 1200 - 1745	5 KW

Thank you and good listening,

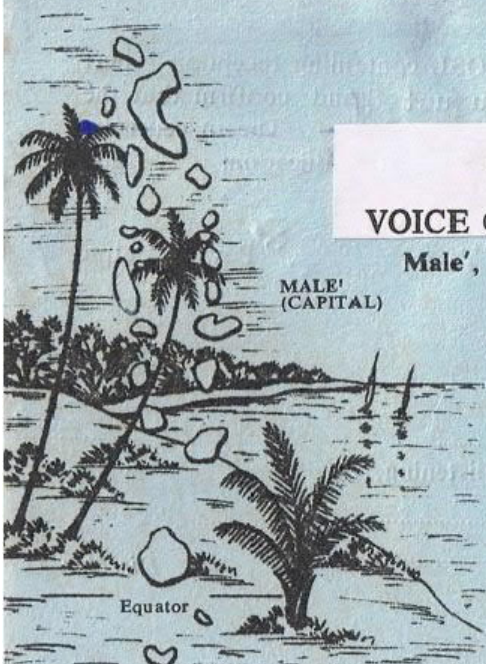
REMARKS: _____

Director

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VOICE OF MALDIVES
Male', Republic of Maldives.



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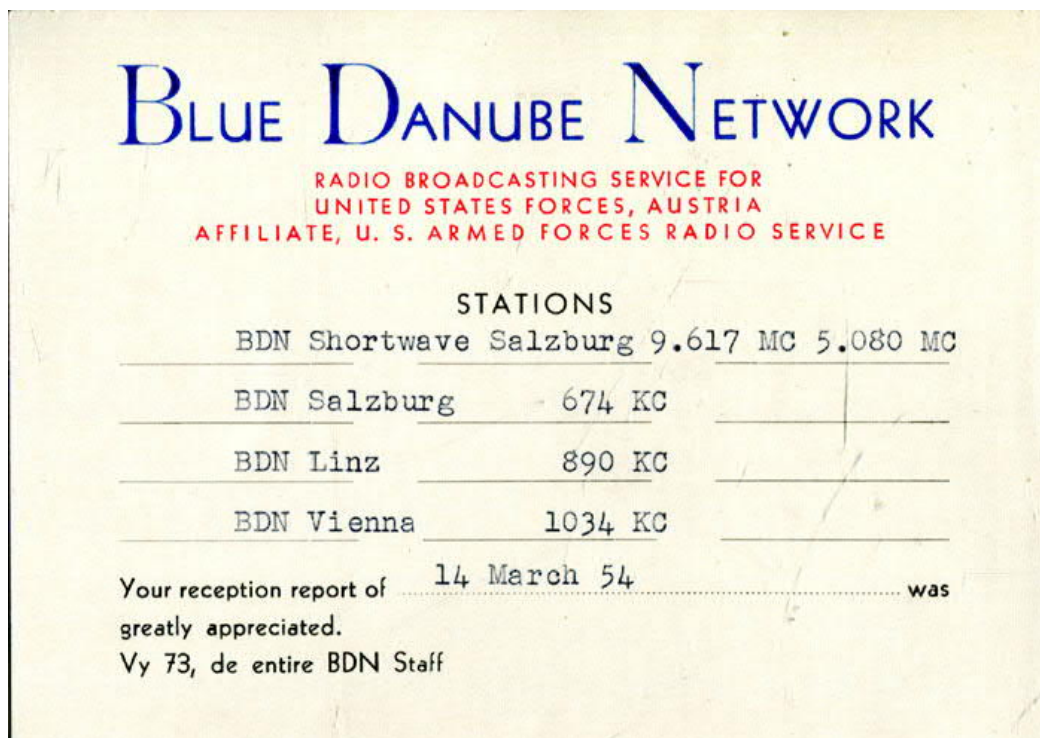
Equator

Mr. Kanwar Sandhu,
408 Krishna Nagar,
Ludhiana - 141 001,
INDIA.

One of many Scandinavian DX clubs which broadcast special programmes over OTC – the International Goodwill Station in Leopoldville, Belgian Congo – was the Arctic Listeners Club based in Tromsø, Norway. This card was received by Ullmar Quick UQ and scanned by John Ekwall JOE.



Blue Danube Radio was a station set up to serve the US forces in Austria. This card comes from the collection of our old friend the late Claës-Wilhelm Englund CWE. If you would like to know more about the station do check out <https://bluedanubenetwork.at/en/this-is-the-blue-danube-network/>



Here is another QSL from the collection of Ullmar Quick UQ. The station was established in 1935 by the Haitian Automobile Association and there were different callsigns for the three different channels used. Initially this station had the call HH2S but as Haiti changed the original prefix from HH to 4V in 1950 the station got the new call of 4V2S. The letter was scanned by John Ekwall JOE.

RADIO PORT-AU-PRINCE

4 V 2 S

Téléphone 3233 — P. O. Box B-81

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI

Le 29 janvier 1952. 105X

Mr. Ullmar Kvick
Romelevagen 20,
Kristinehamn,
Suède.

Cher Monsieur,

Nous éprouvons un infini plaisir à donner suite à votre aimable lettre du 6 janvier en cours par laquelle vous avez eu l'obligeance de nous faire parvenir un rapport d'écoute de Radio Port-au-Prince, Postes 4 V 2 S et 4 V S.

En principe, nous regrettons que les conditions de réception aient été plutôt difficiles. Il est vrai que les distances sont de plusieurs milliers de milles et que notre "Short Wave" de 49 ms. ne fonctionne sur une puissance de 5.000 watts.

Nous prenons toutefois la liberté de solliciter votre bienveillante attention sur les informations suivantes. Les Stations 4 V S et 4 V 2 S émettent simultanément sur les bandes des 240 et 49 mètres correspondant aux fréquences respectives des 1200 et 5945 kilocycles. Une légère variation de nos antennes a sans doute porté notre fréquence sur ondes courtes aux environs des 5.960. Nous sommes à considérer les mises au point adéquates.

Nos stations tiennent l'air chaque jour:

de 6 hres 30 à 7 hres 30 a.m.
* 12 hres à 16 " p.m.
* 17 hres à 22 " p.m.
et le dimanche de: 8 hres a.m. à 17 hres p.m.

Nos lettres d'appel sont: Radio Port-au-Prince, Postes 4 V S et 4 V 2 S Haiti, Grandes Antilles.

Nous serons heureux, cher Monsieur et aimable auditeur, de recevoir, de votre part toutes communications relatives à la présente et vous prions de croire à nos meilleurs sentiments.

RADIO PORT AU PRINCE, 4 V S et 4 V 2 S

Wesner Apollon
Secrétaire-Général

WA/1q

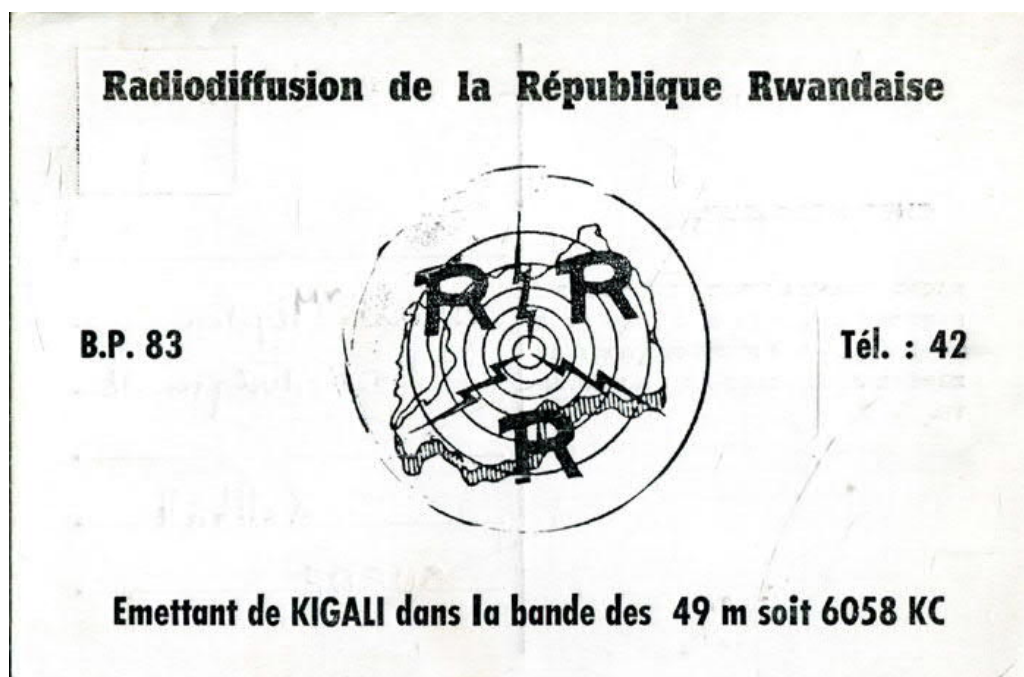
Bolivian stations often sent nice pennants to DX-ers and this one comes from the collection of Claës-Wilhelm Englund CWE.



This card from the collection of Lars Rydén shows the broadcasting house in Usumbura, capital of Ruanda-Urundi. The radio was established in 1960 and two years later Rwanda and Burundi split up, with Burundi becoming a kingdom and Rwanda a republic. The capital of Burundi then changed name from Usumbura to Bujumbura.



The neighbouring country of Rwanda got its own broadcasting service in 1961. This card is also from the collection of Lars Rydén LR. I don't know about the station budget but in 2013 singer Cécile Kayirebwa sued Radio Rwanda, claiming that although her music was frequently played on the station she had received no royalties....



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