

NASWA FLASHSHEET

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Time: GMT

AL NIBLACK, Editor, 420 Shelby Street, Vincennes, Ind. 47591 DEADLINES 10 & 25th MONTH

With this issue of the November FS, it will mark my 7th anniversary as Editor of the NASWA FS. I have enjoyed every minute of it, thanks to all who submit material. Our aim is to keep the FS at a high level of information and accuracy. Time marches on.

(Al Niblack) And now, to this months loggings:

ALGERIA 21711.5 On 10/8, 10/11, Radio Algiers at 1540 in FF; at 1901, woman amcr in EE, "This is Radio Algiers", into EE prgming; also later, an ID by man, "You are tuned to the External Services of Radio Algiers. Fair to good sigs. (Hadley Cress, Va.)

ANTARCTICA (FLASH) 6012 AFAN, McMurdo, definitely logged 10/23, around 1100, at surprisingly good lvl here in Wisconsin, advises Gerry Dexter by phone... (FLASH) Verification form and personal letter received from AFAN Stn. Mgr. RM/1 William R. Carter for tentative reception of 8/26. Verie letter states, "The specified entertainment times listed in your letter are correct". (6012) (Don Jensen, Wisc.) (As far as I know, this is the first QSL any where in the world from AFAN, McMurdo, Editor)

...Re Bill Sparks report on McMurdo on 6018 tentative, it seems likely that this is a spurious emission from the 6030 fgy. This noted around 0400; 0900-1000 (Bill Hood, CANADA; Jack Jones, Miss.)... See all FRENDX editions. 6018 is not Antarctica, but is spurious, same as 6042. AFAN, McMurdo, is still on 6012, my latest checks show, please disregard a previous statement I made in re 6018. (Robert Hamner, AUSTRALIA)

ASCENSION 17830 VOA SS via BBC, 1335, I doubt this is a new VOA xmitter, but simply an old BBC xmitter which has been dormant in this time period. (Glenn Hauser, Okla.)

AUSTRALIA (Latest RA changes unscheduled) (Darwin) 7140 In EE at 2130, replaces 7280 ... 7260 in EE at 1107, possibly ex 11740, not sure... 9515 in EE at 1305, possibly an added fgy... (Shepparton) 15400 in EE, at 0520, //15395 (15355 listed)... (Darwin) 21725 in EE at 0600, //21485. (Robert Hamner)

BANGLADESH 4890 Dacca, 1200-1207 fade out, EE news, over Port Moresby, though poor lvl, 10/19. (Editor Jerry Lineback, Ill.)

BOLIVIA 6035 Radio Panamericana *1010, 10/16, in native SS, IS of guitar chords repeated, flute notes repeated, 1005 and 1010, then Andean music, and frequent IDs. Some cms, think one was for Fresca. (Jack Jones)

BRAZIL 15305 An unidentified Brazilian in PP, Interval Signal of A, B flat, A, G, C, A, F, C, D, C, F, A, C, G, at good lvl. Anyone know? Larry Talbot, Wisc. (Isn't RNB using a musical interval signal of notes, Editor)

CHILE 9566 La Voz de Chile has been noted on new fgy on 10/13, 10/14. I presume this is a move from 9560. Noted around 0300-0510 in EE, FF, SS, RR, and GG, (Bill Hood)

CHINA(PR) 4800 Radio Peking, 1155 in CC, good lvl. (Jerry Lineback)

DOMINICAN REP 9505 RTV Dominicana noted with EE news 0100-0112, an ID, and several mentions of this fgy, followed in SS. Heavy QRM until 0115. (Charles Brunner, Pa.)

ECUADOR 3240 R. Turismo heard 10/10 from 0029-0210 tune out with music; some Andean, news from 0200-0208, strong Ute on both sides, a difficult catch. (John Tuchscherer, Wisc.) (John has just obtained a Hammarlund HQ-180A, with which he is happily DXing, Editor)... 4678.5 Radio Nac. Espejo, Quito, from 0428, ID in SS 0433. (Hadley Cress) ... 5020 Radio Centinela del Sur, SS ID at 0501, off at 0503. (Hadley Cress)

FRANCE 21580 ORTF, 1750*, at times //21620, 21675, but at 1515 separate with "Co-operation Radiophonique" EE and FF amcts, for Africa, Malagsy, Indian Ocean. Short news features for relay, preceded by IS, to 1540. (Glenn Hauser)

GUATEMALA 3325 R. Maya 1125-1132, SS, ID, semiclassical and easy listening music, at excellent lvl. (Jerry Lineback)... 6180 This one no longer IDs as, "La Voz de Guatemala", for noted till 0443*, with occasional IDs as, Radio Nacional". Aired a lot of that beautiful marimba music. (Bill Hood)

HAITI 3345 0140 Unidentified station in FF with religious prgming, till abrupt S/off 0200, but I got no definite ID. Possibly 4VEH. (Neal Kolb, Fla.) (Is so, Editor)

HONDURAS 5875 HRN noted with SS news, relief and rescue operations after Hurricane Fifi. (Glenn Hauser)... 5873.5 This one noted from 0320, SS, ads, and ID. (Hadley Cress)

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INDONESIA 11780 RRI, Djakarta, 1150-1160, noted 10/12, with woman announcing and giving ID, closing with "The Island Song". Later morning check, unable to raise them. (Grady Ferguson, S. Car.)...4764 RRI, Medan, 1150 II, ID by woman, guitar theme, fair to poor...4805 RRI, Djakarta, 1155 II, Ute QRM, pips on the hour, fair lvl 10/14... 4871 RRI Sorong(list), 1252-1305 II, nice music, good lvl...4719 RRI, Ujung Padang, 1258 II, music, good lvl. (Jerry Lineback, credit for all the foregoing)

ISRAEL 15490 IBA noted "Calling all DXers", 1940-1945, beginning 1940 to 1945, Oct. 13; new times will be one hour later, 0500, 1130, 2000, given by man in EE. (Corky)

MALAYSIA 4845 RM 1245-1250 in Hindi, Indian music, Red Network, as per / Webb, Tex.) schedule, easy listening lvl. (Jerry Lineback)

MEXICO 15110 XERH, 0115-0135, noted with good signals, usual native prgms, 0132 ID, though QRM at times. (Grady Ferguson, So. Car.)...9555 1748 La Hora Exacta is not that exactly, when checked 10/1, 1748, was 4 seconds fast compared to WWV. If relied on for navigation would cause considerable error. Operates irregularly. (Glenn)

MONGOLIA(?) From 1215, 10/12, carrier with little modulation, but strong / Hauser Polar flutter. This is a possible have decided, after several checks. (Hadley Cress)

PAKISTAN 15520 Noted at 1530 with ID in EE, "This is Radio Pakistan calling listeners in ME on 15520", and another fqy(which I missed). S/off at 1545. (Hadley Cress)

PERU 9504A 1120-1130 An unidentified Peru outlet in SS. R. Loreto listed here. (Neal)

PHILIPPINES FEBC new fqys: 15235, 0400-0630 (heard); 17850, 2300. (Robert Hanner)/ Perdue)

POLAND R. Warsaw, 11810, noted in African Svc, *1600AA, 16300EE, 1700FF. (Jim Hagen, Va.)

SO AFRICA 4810 SABC 2140-2208*, 0402-0405 EE, music ads, fine lvl...4875 SABC 2130-2208* in EE, usual format...4945 SABC 2150-2208*, *0359 EE, calling farmers, over R. Colossal. (Credit all these to Jerry Lineback)...DX Editor of Radio RSA, Gerry Wood, provides the following latest information on SABC's operation; drop 41 meters. Add: 11935, Springbok Radio...11790 EE...11885 Afrikaans. (NO time quotes, Editor)...4810 At 0410, after the spot clears, logged this station in EE, and possibly Afrikaans, classical music, mentions of So. Africa, cms, but got no ID. Possibly one of SABC's Svcs. (Neal Kolb) (It is, Editor)

SWAZILAND (FLASH) (See MM-FS) Our THANKS to John Tuchscherer, Wisconsin, who so kindly made the effort to phone direct to HQs his logging of TWR, so that the info could be edited into the Mid-October FS. John logged TWR on 7135 at 0320, testing in EE, asking for reports, excellent lvl; John also provided their annnc testing sked which was edited into the MM-FS...Direct from TWR comes the following information. Beginning on a tentative target date of October 12, through the remainder of October, TWR plans to test as follows: Targeted to the North: First 6175(alternate 6070), 0300, 0400; 7135(7250), 0320, 0420, 0520, 0620, 0720; 9615(9640), 0340, 0440, 0540, 0640, 0740; 11730(11760), 0500, 0600, 0700. Also on a non-directional antenna(not room enough to repeat here, Editor) (Ed Insinger, N.J., FLASHED this info to us, Editor)...TWR says they have a unique QSL for reports for the first day of their testing, also for the first week of their testing. (John Tuchscherer; Ed Insinger) ...7135 TWR, Swaziland, noted here in So. Indiana at 0330 with a bodacious signal of 1000 MV intensity, TESTING, asking for reports. (Al Niblack)...Air mail your reports to: David Fisher, Propagation Department, TWR, P.O. Box 64, Manzini, Swaziland. (John Tuchscherer, Ed Insinger)...Swazi Music Radio is now on 3223, 1600-2200*. (Editor Gerry E. Wood)

UGANDA 5026 Kampala noted with man in talk, 0400 EE ID, plenty QRM. (Neal Perdue)

USA QSL dated Oct. 11, 1974 from USA-Voice of OAS, says prgms are daily on 31, 25, and 19 MB in EE, SS, PP, FF, from 2345-0310, My report was for 6120. (Charles Brunner,

USSR 4850 (TENT) R. Tashkent, UZBEK, 1215-1234 in language, possible local / Pa.) variety, good on 10/19. (Jerry Lineback)

VATICAN 6165 VR noted 0115 in FF, religious prgm, new fqy, possibly. (Jack Jones) ...6165 VR 0100-0115, EE to NA, followed by FF. This does not match sked, possibly a change effected? (Larry Talbot)

VENEZUELA 3385 R. Barcelona, 0245-0250 SS, ID, music, ads, some fading. (Jerry Lineback)

NETHERLANDS RN in a letter direct to the FS, under the date of October 1, 1974, signed by H. van Gelder, EE Section, annncs that he will pull out of "DX Juke Box", due to advice by doctors. His successor is Dick Speekman, a 30 year old Dutch national just returned from Australia. He will be introduced on the prgm of Thursday, October 10. (Harry van Gelder, RN)

PIRATE (FLASH) In a letter direct to the FS, Radio England gives the following info and schedule: (Quote) "We are a land based pirate station operating in England, we recently obtained a new transmitter of 250 watts output, and we are hoping that with this we will be able to be heard in America. We are planning a series of "darkness path" broadcasts, in the hope that this end can be reached. It is thought that you might be able to publicise the broadcasts. I am inclosing some details of the broadcasts and if there is any way you can help us we would be very grateful. Our programs are in English, and pop music based. We will of course verify all correct reports with our QSL card". Tests will take place at 0500-0630 GMT on the following Sunday mornings: Sept 29; Oct 6; Oct 20; Nov 3; Nov. 17; Dec 1; Dec 15; Dec 29. Frequency will be: 6235.7 khz. We will occasionally be on on Sundays also, at the time of 1000, additionally. The antenna is a dipole that gives a gain figure of 2.5 DB. We would be grateful for reports on these transmissions. Signed by: John Krane, Station Engineer, for Radio England, Somerset, England. (Here is your chance to log a low-power outlet, lower your QRP figure. If the signal were beamed it would be nearly a cinch; for those interested, and since for obvious reasons I can't disclose the full QTH of Radio England here-in the FS, if you will write me, and inclose an SASE, I will give you the full address, Editor) (The times and dates quoted are Sundays, mornings, GMT, Editor)

UNIDENTIFIED (See previous FS) The station reported by Ed Shaw on 6087, would likely be the Voice of Free China broadcasting in CC to the Mainland Peoples Republic of China. I noted it quite consistently last winter. This season it seems to be jammed. (Bill Hood)...4815 In China or Pakistan, at 1218 in language, man in language, at poor lvl, 10/14. (Jerry Lineback)...Heard this morning a powerhouse at 1052 to 1115. It sounds like a THAILAND station but to me its a puzzle. Seemed to be a // on 7115, but I am not positive of ths. Hope some one that is knowledgeable on Asians can pin down the ID on this one. (Ken Earhart, Pa.)

IONOSPHERIC SOUNDER, 11730-19000, at 2110*, sweeping the range on A ϕ emission. Period is exactly 2 minutes. Appears as a swiftly moving hetrodyne against any fixed frequency, going from low to high. Noted on RN, Talata at 2045, 11730, 9/19. Checked progressively higher frequencies until it disappeared abruptly at 19000 kcs. My impression was that this was the limit of the transmitting range, rather than MUF. Rate sweep is 100 kcs/sec (or 100 kc/sec/sec...an acceleration?), precisely. Wonder if these ever ID? (Glenn Hauser)

SEPT 1974, SUNSPOT COUNT AS FURNISHED BY THE ZURICH OBSERVATORY, 10-7-74: 1-8, 2-8, 3-16, 4-41, 5-40, 6-50, 7-44, 8-32, 9-63, 10-80, 11-83, 12-88, 13-82, 14-67, 15-67, 16-70, 17-73, 18-68, 19-58, 20-34, 21-13, 22-0, 23-7, 24-11, 25-11, 26-13, 27-19, 28-23, 29-38, 30-60

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PREDICTED: OCT-31 NOV-29 DEC-28 JAN-27 FEB-26 MAR-25 (Grady Ferguson)

FLASH Effective with the December issue of FRENDX, the QSL REPORT will have a new editor: -- BOB ZABOT, Kempshire Manor, 5010 Amboy Court, Virginia Beach, Va. 23462. Please give him your support. (Executive Editor Dan Ferguson)...Welcome Bob, and happy editing, Editor)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT Another FS with many reporters and heavy support. I hsd to blue pencil many of the items. Some material was received here just as we were closing this edition of the FS. Some will be used in the upcoming issue of the FS. THANKS to so many for so much help...Well, wish I had my KC4, Antarctica Prefix QSL from the MARS Station, I am hoping...Please keep the reports coming, call flashes to: 812-882-3976, before 2000 GMT. As always,

...With Vy 73,
AL NIBLACK, EDITOR

LATE, LATE FLASHES: AFAN, McMurdo, ANTARCTICA, definetly logged on 6012, 10/26, 1133-1145; pops, one by Wayne Newton, an amct by man in EE at 1136. Loggable with difficulty. (Al Niblack)...Also recent reported loggings of 6012, Serge Neuman, 0955-1110; Ralph Perry, 1105-1157; Don Jensen, same period; Perry Ferrell, 1025; Jerry Berg, same period. ID given, "This is AFAN, McMurdo". (All contributors above, Serge Neuman, through Jerry Berg, via NU)...5045 FLASH Australian DXers are reporting COOK IS, 0700-0830*, again heard, possibly a reactivation of the fgy. (This info via NU, Don Jensen)