

THE NASWA DX HOTLINE Editor: John Moritz Jr., 4145 New Road, Youngstown OH., 44515. (216) 792-8627. November 1976 mid month issue. Next deadlines are 22Nov, 15Dec, and 27Dec, or send in material as it is heard. Lots of items this time, so we will abandon the hoopla and jump right into it!

Andorra - 6230, Radio Andorra w/apparent WMR pgm, at *0800 in seeming Dutch with anthem and definite "R. Andorra" ID, into maybe 10 mins of rock mx, thn anmt. Is WMR type pgming. Fade by 0825. Would like better but seems enough to go on for a rept (Al Sizer, NU, on 10/31)...11/7, weakly hrd from precise 0800 s/on into mx. Carrier noted from 0750. No ID but format fits. To 0817 when lost signal in noise (Ralph Perry, in GLDXA) Congrats to you "Si" for what is probably the first stateside log on this one. A fine job by both of you! Now who is going to get that 1st QSL? jm

Cook Islands - 5045, RCI tuned 0658, EE talk till 0700, when pips and mor talk; 0730 ID for R. Australia and found to be // 5995 and 6005. Contd with RA relay till 0830, when pgming ceased, but carrier remained on till at least 0900, when I went to bed. Very poor signal with extreme flutter--almost unheard-of for a signal from the Pacific, but perhaps condx were disturbed. No local anct heard; ID presumed, and note that the MW station of Cook Is. is scheduled to s/off 0830 also. My country #208. Heard on 10/17 (Bob Hill, California) Congrats BH! jm

Zanzibar - Noted often lately after 0300 with Koran chants; African drums and songs to past 0325. Usually weak but clear, on 3339 (Victor Jaar) Good to hear that they are on Vic. Now if I can only hear them!!! jm

Bolivia - 5973.5, R Nacional, Cochabamba, nice sig at 1015 ck on 11/2. This was a gud a.m., but not as gud as day earlier: from 0200 to 1130GMT on 11/1 was one of best Andes openings in memory, with some stns staying arnd half hr past normal fade-out pattern and others, like R Eco, 5010, ripping thru ether at magnificent lvl (Ralph Perry, GLDXA)...3495a, R. Alfonso Padilla Vega hrd 0148 to 0157* with M in SS tlk with mentions of Bolivia. Off without fanfare. In noise, but still very definite, and most happy to finally hear them (John Moritz 11/9)...4664, R Riberalta, 0244-0300* LA mx. No ID hrd in high QRM. Station on 4668 concurrently, but no chance for ID in the noise, 10/30 (John Tuchscherer)

Karelian SSR - Petrozavodsk heard on 5065 at 0435 to past 0500//better 4780. Easily heard here, earlier also (Victor Jaar, Quebec, Canada)

Qatar - 9570, QBS--after a bit of filter-fiddling, this elusive one popped in at 1526 with solo man chanting from the Koran, soon joined by flute-type instrument; ancts by woman at 1530; back to mx by 1545, but VOA/9565 slp and co-channel QRM from RNE combined to make further copy impossible (Bob Hill 10/30)

Indonesia - 4875NF Sorong?? 1241-1318 Indon, US style vocals by females, brief annmts by man, theme song, pips, RRI ID and into nx by man at 1300 with good sig (Jerry Lineback 11/3,4)...4719 Sulawesi, RRI Ujung Pandang 1240-1250 in Indo, man tlk at 1320, also nx by man, fair (Jerry Lineback) 4845, RRI Ambon (list) 1320 man w/nx in Indo, poor (Jerry Lineback)...3265 RRI, Bengkulu (Sumatra)--from 1452 with weird local mx, slow clunky drum and man wailing intermittently, almost subcontinental flavor; 1458 Indo ID, 1500 into relay and much stronger audio, then suddenly devlpd RTTY QRM on freq (Bob Hill 10/30)...3225 RRI, Tanjungpinang (Sumatra) since 10/13 has been heard this freq around 1255-1330, mostly with relay of RRI news and "Nusantara" pgm; is several orders of magnitude stronger than Mataram on 3223 (Bob Hill)

Bougainville Islands - RB noted at a respectable level on 3322 at 1110 with usual native singing to stringed mx accompaniment, ute QRM on 10/23 (Dan Jamison, OH)

Chile - 6135, R Univ de Concepcion from 1015 with "Panorama informativa del banco de Concepcion," news, TJs, and plugs for bank (Jack Jones)

Malaysia - RM, Kuala Lumpur, 6025t on 11/1 from 1258-1307 in lang, presume Bhasa Malaysia. Hrd YL and OM in tlk, some rather CC like mx and possible IS of bell-like chimes at 1300. (Sydney Osterman, Toronto, Can)

Thailand - 9654, RT, 1359 with IS, into Burmese. QRM. //11905 was covered by DW, on 11/2 (John Tuchscherer, Wisconsin)

Gilbert & Ellice Islands - QSL for 844MW says, "talking about shortwave xmsns, there is a possibility that by next year we will be on SW again but the time and frequency are not known yet." V/s is Bill Reiher, Broadcasting Engr. Address, a little different than that in WRTH: Broadcasting and Publications Division, Chief Minister's Office, P.C.

Box 78, Bairiki, Tarawa, Gilbert Is (John Campbell, Australia, via NU)

Oman - CBC, 11890, tent logging 10/27 with Koran chants 0233; very marginal reception and completely wiped out by VOA splatter by about 0240. Next evening, RHC spur was there as it always is--then around 0205 it disappeared and Oman was in the clear with Koran wailing till 0230, when had AA talk or sermon. Around 0245 went into AA traditional-type vocal by woman accompanied by usual instruments from that part of the world;

still there, but faint, at 0330 recheck. Long sought here; may be first WONA logging of this one (Bob Hill)

Ecuador - 4901, LV de Saquisili, best hrd on 11/2 with 1120 ID for "Radio Libertador" and unusual pgm of drum and a cappella YL songs. Also hrd 10/26,27,30 and 11/2. But R Juventud, Venez., which had been gone, allowing reception, was noted back in biz 11/3 with smashing sig from 1015 past 1130 (Ralph Perry, GLDXA) Bravo! jm

North Korea - Voice of the Rev. Party for Reunification showing thru well at 1155 on 4116a with programming of Asian mx til 1200, then prob what was news on 10/23 (Dan Jamison)

Seychelles - 9510, FEBA, at 1800, EE, IS and ID only by YL. Good level but lost in QRN. This is a new freq (Syd Osterman)

Peru - 5055, R. Onda Imperial, Cusco, 1056-1123 f/out 11/1, and arnd 1055 on 11/2,3, but best hrd first day. ID at 1103, into huayno pgming, string of cmcls in mid-stream and short nx pgm. Be careful of other stn on 5054 not same. First log of Onda Imperial for me (Ralph Perry, GLDXA)...4955, R Cultura de Amauta, Huanta, noted weakly 10/31 and 11/1 in 0030-0200 time slot, but IDs only tent. Nondescript pgming (classical guitar pieces, rlg selection, ballads) increased my doubts. However, Don Jensen got positive ID with *1100 s/on next day; ditto for me, day after, clearing away all doubts re identity (Perry, GLDXA)...6056.5, R. Continental, Arequipa, the formerly common but not recently rpted Arequipa outlet, noted 1025-1055 following couple months surveillance of fq; 11/1, and again 11/3; fair signal, with one gud ID as "Cinco de la manana y minutos, R. Continental...servicio diario de lamanana...le gusta..en Arequipa..." Some ads and, unexpectedly, musica del campo peruano format. Wiped out by Habana IS, adjacent fq. (Perry, GLDXA) Same heard by your editor on 11/7 from 1006 onward...3240, R America, Lima, noted in SS at 0950 with LA songs, ads, etc. (Vic Jaar)

Unidentified - from 0332-0345 on 6281 in lang, easily listening US type instrumentals, woman in unid lang, too poor to identify lang, but not EE, (Lineback 10/31) Any help out there? jm...unid on 4860 from 2114-2200, in EE, very hearty OM dj with 50s and 60s pop and rock records. Chats about "lying on beach, flea market, and east coast." Hrd part of a TC for "16 minutes past?" All buried under heavy QRN (Syd Osterman)

Swaziland - TWR noted with IS at 0313, s/on at 0315 then African lang, on 3240 (Vic Jaar)

Venezuela - 6010, R Los Andes at 1058 on 10/12 with SS comls, ID, and the usual LA music (Jack Jones)

Ecuador - 5951.5a Radio Cuenca being well heard at fair level by a number of people during 1045-1110 period, with echo IDs, folklorico mx, etc. Among them reporting: Perry, your editor, and Al Miller, Youngstown.

Somali Republic - 11645v, R Hargeisa--in on 10/31 from 1510, tenor-pitch male voice interspersed with brief musical bridges till 1525, when another man took over briefly; 1528 first man again with assumed nx in Somali till 1550. Local vocals were then aired past 1600 and still at it when left them at 1610; gone 1630 re-ck. After endless cks, all unsuccessful, it was amazing to hear this one bombing in //7121½ with a fine sig, particularly from about 1530 onwards. Made an excellent half-hour (1530-1600) tape, a copy of which I'll be happy to send anyone who provides me with a cassette plus postage (Bob Hill)

WWV - WWV, Fort Collins, Colorado will be dropping the following freqs as of Feb 1, 77: 2.5, 20, and 25. The move is to save money. Protests can be sent to: Time and Frequency Services Section, National Bureau of Standards, Fort Collins, Colorado, 80302. I can't see any real reason to protest, since the frequencies to be closed down are of marginal quality anyway. This affects ONLY WWV (James Conrad, Iowa)

Uganda - 5026, hrd UBC 2058-2105½ s/off. Orch mx, woman with nx. Unid. lang, man ancr and anthem. Poor (Bill Whitacre, NU)

Harmonics - the DXH will print harmonic reports sent in to this editor. All harmonic reports will be subject to the same editorial scrutiny as any other report. We realize that there are a number of you out there who enjoy chasing harmonics, and in the interest of fairness we will be glad to receive your reports and print what is of value, the same as we do with anything else.

Greenland - 3999, Greenland hrd with good signal, 2318 past 2340 in Greenlandic or Danish. Intermittent CW QRM (Bill Whitacre, NU)

China - Hailear on 3900 slipping thru the hams at 1140 with your basic Radio Peking Home Sc pgming on 10/23 (Dan Jamison)

Mauritius - Hrd here on numerous occasions on 9709v at 1300v s/off with clear and definite IDs. Programming of Indian/subcontinental fare with ancrs in various Indian languages. Some FF anmts mixed in as well, and usually during s/off and at the half hour. IDs as "Ici la MBC" and mentions of "Maurice." (Dan Robinson, Washington, DC) Thanks for the information Dan. jm

A rather nice issue this time, if I must say so myself! Some great items for you all to try for. As for me, I am looking for Mongolia!!!!