

Topline tip. . . HARMONIC - Your proud DXH editor had a great catch on Jan 10th, at 8:48 am, when Jeffrey John Moritz rang into this world with loud & strong signals, weighing 6 pounds and 5 ounces. Mother and baby doing well, OM still flying high! As it now stands, the dxers now outnumber the non-dxers in my home! Thanks to all of you, who have wished Shirley and I the best during these past nine months. jm And now, on to the DX....

AZORES - There is some speculation that the 4865 freq is not Azores, but rather Portugal. My feelings are that it is the Azores. Bill Whitacre has a taped ID, and some of the most reliable gents around agree. I received two reports for Portugal this time around--which I am not going to run--and about



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11/2. Or, send in material
as it is heard.

a dozen for the Azores, of which I am going to run Glenn Hauser's: 4865, Azores at 2205. Radiodifusao Portuguesa ID at 2205, ending music and going into political talk in Portuguese, 30/12; 2259 spaced TS, nx capsule to 2303, obviously off air relay, ruling out Portugal itself, and found to be // 6185 SSB fedr from Port. Xmas break at 2304.5, and several times later. Back on with higher power (Glenn Hauser, Knoxville, TN)

ANDORRA - heard with good audio on 6230, but a fadey sig on 12/26, (0830-0900) with US pops like Elvis, Beach Boys, and Neil Young (Bill Coleman Jr., Rocky Mount, NC)...Heard 1/9 on 6230 from 0759-0835 fade w/anth, ID by OM at s/on in lang., and pops prgm. Strength fair, but noisy (Mike Collier, Williamsville, NY)...Hrd on 1/9 at 0800 with M in ID, followed by px of pops. Lousy sig all the way, and gone by 0830, but I got enough for a report, and my HIC 160! (Gerry Bishop, Christiana, PA) Congrats to all of you. I am still out in the cold on this one. jm

NICARAGUA - 5920, Radiodifusora Nacional de Nicaragua, heard testing new smitter, 0230 to sudden off at 0333; prgm of SS IDs, constant requests for reports, MOR mx, vocals, poetry, promos for tourism in Nicaragua; good to vry good level throughout; heard on 12/29 only (James Ronda, Youngstown, OH)

COOK ISLANDS - Rarotonga on 5045 kHz from 0845-0908 when a Latin covered it completely--hrd on Dec 23rd for a nice xmas present!--no definite ID and this one is tent. till I hear from them. I hrd a station relaying Brisbane 4920 on 5045. Since I rarely have any cross-mod, harmonic or spur problems with my HQ160, I'm calling this one nearly 100% definite. At 0901, Brisbane was mentioned, so I know it had to be the same as 4920 kHz. I kept checking back and forth, and feel this is Cooks (Jim Conrad, Waterloo, Iowa) Give my good buddy Jim a cigar, he's got Cooks! FB Jimmy! jm

SOMALIA - 11646v Radio Hargeisa from 1501-1520 anmts by YL, into string instrumentals, some vocal mx, then long talk by OM to 1520 fade out; I don't hear the IS or s/on at 1500 since the ute does not leave freq until about that time. Fair to poor on 12/31 and 1/1 (Jim Ronda) Congrats to you JR! jm

MONGOLIA - UBR can be heard with HS as early as 0700; usual decent carrier and microscopic audio. Is starting to intrude into Singapore territory and suffers het QRM from that station beginning around 0915. 12/19 plus (Bob Hill, San Francisco, Cal. via GLDXA advance) Scusa me, this freq 5052. jm Finally hrd by your editor on 5053 during 1218-1245 period on 1/9, giving me a new HIC and mucho satisfaction! jm

NEW IRELAND - RNI on 2428 from 1242 until lost to RTTY QRM at 1250; male group choral mx, anmts by male announcer in Pidgin; fair to poor in constant RTTY QRM; also noted R. West New Britain on at same time; this my first 120 mb PNG (Jim Ronda)

SUMATRA - 3232, RRI, Bukittinggi -- What is presumed Bukittinggi has been appearing irregularly from around 1430; once noted signing off at 1537. Vry difficult to copy through severe ute QRM. First noted around mid-November. Has long been inactive this freq., to the best of my knowledge (Bob Hill, via GLDXA advance)

AFGHANISTAN - 3999.8 with good sigs in the 0200-0230 period on 10 January. Chanting type mx, 3 slow gongs at 0229.50, then M and W. Soon f/o at 0235. (Bob "foxy" Foxworth, Mineola, NY) Nice to hear from you foxy. jm

PERU - 6045, Radio Santa Rosa at 1104 with ID following short devotional by YL. Also combs. Pushing thru R Australia (Jack Jones, Miss)...5040, Radio Libertad de Junin during 1108-1118 with nice folklorico vocals by groups of men and women. M in SS twixt the mx. your editor on 1/8.

SENEGAL - 3336 Radio Senegal, "Ziggy" hrd with FF news at 0705, w/ments of Senegal. Into African music at 0715. This still 4kw? (Gerry Bishop, PA) Believe it still is Ger. jm

SOMALIA - 11645.3, Radio Hargeisa at 1505 on 1/1 with music with a beat; het though. Freq measured ref. 11720.0 CBC; 1510 talk in presumed Somali, but soon worsening, and totally gone by 1530. Does logging this make me a DXer? (Glenn Hauser, TN) I don't know. Does printing this put me back in your good graces? hi jm -- Nice catch Glenn.

ECUATORIAL GUINEA - Bata, 4926 hrd 1/6 at 2045 t/in with contemp African music with lots of flutes. ID at 2130 in SS by OM, into extremely long selection which seemed like an anthem. Off at 2136 (Brian Baumgartner, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada)

BROADCASTS IN ENGLISH - A new quick-reference of broadcasts in English from over 100 countries is now available from NASWA, for a long SASE or 2 IRCs overseas; compiled by Glenn Hauser, with ratings from easy to difficult to hear specified. If you are interested, send your SASE or IRCs to the Liberty, Indiana address.

ZAIRE - Radio Lubumbashi, 4750, heard 0403-0410 on 1/11 with fair sigs and African tunes. Definite FF anmts between the songs. Recheck at 0500, was barely audible (Lauren Ware, Fairfax, Virginia)

BRAZIL - Radio Gazeta, 3325, at 2324, with lively music, ads, etc. Loud, vy exuberant ID at 0000. This usually the first Brazilian to appear on 90mb in the evening at my QTH. Usually good, despite the presence of CHU, which is only a couple miles away from my QTH! (Brian Baumgartner, Canada)...5025, Radio Borborema, from 0348-0430 mixing w/Solendit until latter suddenly off at 0411. Several ads, frequent TCs, MOR vocals. At 0422 TC... "en la Borborema do campina grande..." (John Wegener, Godfrey, Illinois)...3205, R Ribeirao Preto from 0201 t/in with M in PP tlk at poor level. Into PP vocal on 1/9 by your editor...4785, Radio Caiari (T) 0231-0254 on 12/31 with many ads, TCs for GMT -3, some rock/blues music, PP pons; zapped by RTTY at 0249, then 0254*. Thought I heard "desde Porto Velho..." in TC at 0232, but not sure. (John Wegener, Illinois)...Rdif do Maranhao, 4755, from 0011-0031, mixing with another latin, pops, PP vocals, ads and TCs. 0031 ID with freqs etc., more pops. This on 12/31 and my 300th SWBC station! (John Wegener, Illinois) Congrats John! jm

BOLIVIA - 4815t Radio Nacional from 0201-0230 t/out with LA music. Good level on this one, but the ute is more disturbing than Guatapuri. This on 1/2 (John Tuchscherer, Neenah, Wisconsin) As if this were not enough, John also writes that he heard 4980 Radio Batallon Topater from 0941-1007 on 12/27, and tent. Radio Los Andes from 0207-0330* with tlk by M with ments of Bolivia. In mix with LV Maria, who closed at 0300a. Disturbed by weak ute.

PERU - 4955, Radio Cultural Amauta, 12/23 from 1103 to 1116, tlk by M with ID at 1106. On 12/27, s/on 1100 and all hymns to 1122 when lost to ute. (John Tuchscherer, Wisconsin)

POLAND - Polish Pathfinders Station now broadcasts in 49mb. The freq is 5960, and hrd on 12/12 at 1045 with pop music and talk about music in Polish. (Vaclav Dosoudil, Czechoslovakia, in January DSWCI)

SWAZILAND - TWR hrd on 17775 at the end of their EE transmission at 1913, with M asking for reception reports. Into unknown lang after IS, then into FF with many IDs as TWR Swaziland. Prgm seemed to be religious. Hope I got this one before Glenn Hauser! (James Mulvey, Seaford, NY) Yep. jm

HONDURAS - Radio Swan, 6015, noted first 1/11 at 1203 with a mention of LA in SS. IDs as Radio Swan de Honduras almost always. TC, marimba mx, heard with excellent reception, and still there at 1330. (Lauren Ware, Virginia)...At 0524 on 6015 with Xmas songs, IDs, and fair sigs on 12/31. Presume they are running 24 hr operation (Ken Earhart, Allentown, PA)

DXH EDITORIAL - I am becoming increasingly upset with the number of shoddy reports that are finding their way into print of late, especially in FRENDX. As an editor, I am under the impression that it is our job to present to our dxing colleagues accurate and reliable information, not misleading, presumptuous, or list logged reports! We all make mistakes, and I have certainly made mine, but I try to keep them at a minimum. We are all big boys now. There is no need to impress people with impossible logs, but rather, to share with them your best experiences behind your rx. The object of this fine hobby is to have a good time, and hear some fine things from your radio, meet new friends, and get together to shoot the breeze every now and then. What has happened to the NASWA of Bill Eddings? Where has our spirit gone? I ask you all, including myself, to make a concerted effort this year to recapture that spirit, to clean up the bad logs, to report reliable information, and above all, to become better acquainted with your hobby, and the various people in it. Stop calling veteran dxers elitists, just because they are hearing things you are not. It takes time in this hobby my friends. You should strive to reach them, not chastise them. There should be room in NASWA for SWLers and DXers alike; but no room for those that would attempt to mislead us all with erroneous information. Let's get it together, o.k.? Best 73s de john-john