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NORTH AMERICA-MEDIUM WAVE

CJFC & CKRN Relay: 530, Nightly from 8/16, time?, SIO=121. Sounds like a typical CHR stn with a smattering of oldies. Ads for local merchants, and an ad for CKRN 710. Had Toronto Blue Jay ball games. Usual SIO=121, but once peaked at 30dB. (WOSIK,IL)

Voice of the Great Peace March and Global Peace: 1630, 8/15, 8/16, 8/17, 8/20, usually 0030-0500. Also gave a 4 letter call which began with a W, I believe. Mentioned Toledo once. Talks alot about peace and the peace march that was going across the US. On the night of 8/15, they had long speeches from speakers at one of their stops in Chicago in front of a large audience, perhaps from Grant Park. Long R&R tape of Jackson Browne in possible recording session, song titled "Richard Corey," Beatles songs and one with "Yo Ho Pirate Radio" as a possible title. DJ said they would be on the air from LA to NY and that they were a licensed mobile radio station. Stn averaged S3 or S4 with a peak of 30dB once. Usually off abt 0500, but

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once on until 0920. In addition to dates listed, they have been on weekends. DJ reminds me of Pirate Joe of KPRC. (WOSIK,IL)

WHOT: 1629.5, 9/1, 0208-0400+, SIO=333. Took telephone calls at (718) 946-9748 and offered to QSL to Ontario caller and to play request. (DECKER,NY) 1626, 9/1, 0743-0818, SIO=212. Two annncrs w/ talk and mx. Very hard to hear, but gave telephone number. Placed a call to them; they seemed like very friendly folks. They took my name and addr w/ promise of QSL. Said they had lots of old Elvis mx. Even though the signal was poor, I'm glad to have heard them. During the phone call, they said they were NOT the "not the top 40" program on 1616-1618, although they were aware of these bcsts. (RICHOLSON,VA) 1627, 9/1, 0545-0630+, SIO=141. DJs with very hyper voices taking phone calls for QSL requests or to verify reception. Said they also have an FM xmtr. Too bad they don't have an SW outlet; very entertaining. (WOSIK,IL) 1628, 9/1, 0351-0432. Oldies from 50's and 60's w/ DJ Jim Nasium. Called and they played request 5 minutes later. Lots of jingles and IDs. Said they would QSL. (ROSS,ONT)

WQO: 1630, 9/7, 0233-0330, SIO=322. Tentative ID. Severe QRN and telemetry QRM. Copied mentions of Marion, OH and Findlay, so this may have been a relay of a Marion, OH stn or ????. Showtunes mx by Judy Garland. Very good audio. (WALKENDORF,MI)

NORTH AMERICA-SHORTWAVE

Canadian Club Radio: 7440, 8/30, 0115-0359, SIO=444. Primarily a pgm of rock mx and annncmts/talk by "Pilot Al" and "Ron." QSL addr given as: Box 140, 3090 Danforth Ave, Toronto, Ontario M1L 1B1 (not Box 148 and M11 1E1 as reported in various publications). Strong signal; reported using a 120 watt Johnson xmtr, Viking 2 putting out 120-130 watts, mixing board, 1/2 wave dipole antenna with tuner, and some sound effect eqmt. Mx included "Concrete Jungle" by the Specials, "Super Trance," "Word Power" by Thomas Dolby, "Easy Way Out" by Saga, etc. (RICHOLSON,VA) 7440, 8/30, 0229-0447*, SIO=433 avg. Punkish rock mx w/ many tunes by Saga and Simple Minds. Telephonic speech audio and good mx audio. Reception got better as program progressed, with QRM at various times. Annncrs really mistreated their eqmt with excessive feedback at various times. Toronto addr. (WALKENDORF,MI) 7440, 8/30, 0257-0416, SIO=333. DJ's Ron and Al played mx by Peter Gabriel, Saga and John Fox. Echo and reverb effects during annncmts. Some RTTY/CW QRM at 0409 UTC. (MENDYK,IL) 7440, 8/30, 0433-0448*, SIO=454. Moderate QRN, no QRM. Ron and Al played around with echos and distortion, making noises and playing records with distortion. (TWIGG,MN) 7440, 8/30, 0120-0448, SIO=333. Hrd songs "I Wanna Be a Cowboy" and "In My Car." Mentioned there would be a two month lag in QSLs due to screw up in address. Mentioned being north of the 49th Parallel. (WOSIK,IL) 7440, 9/9, 0258-0300*, SIO=545. Best CCR signal ever! Lots of feedback, echos. ID at s/off. (TWIGG,MN)

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One-O Radio: 7438, 9/8, *0339-0445*, SIO=323. Tentative ID. Xmtr on and off until 0339 when began bcst by playing continuous contemporary top 40 hot hits. Sounded more professional than our local FM stns. Only two anncmnts. Quite certain they anncd as "One - o Radio." No addr given. PSE QSL! (TWIGG,MN)

Radio Deadman: 7439, 9/7, 0015. Popped up right after Golden Eagle with echo ID which was very hard to copy. New wave rock mx, etc. Did not copy any addr. Strong, but deep fades. (SCHMIDT,DE)

Radio North Coast International: 7440, 9/2, 0039+, SIO=352. Masterpiece Theatre theme and Capt. Willie saying "Here we go again!" Moorhead addr and said they were "on a bunch of frequencies," but only 7440 hrd here. (WOSIK,IL) 7439, 9/7, 0045. Very weak with Capt. Willie. Some mx noted but faded very quickly. (SCHMIDT,DE)

TNFM (aka CFTN): 7448, 9/8, 0305-0600+, SIO=212 - 455. First hour of bcst was covered by RTTY/FAX QRM. After that, best signal ever from TNFM. Usual pgm of rock mx. (TWIGG,MN) freq?, 9/15, 0305-0610+. Usual mx. Went back to Box 1345, Ganges addr. Played only Canadian rock mx. (TWIGG,MN)

Voice of the Golden Eagle: 7439, 9/7, 0000-0015. A new stn with some comedy bits, one of which was on rock & roll. Played a segment of what seemed like "The Gong Show." Caught one ID, signal was weak/fadey. (SCHMIDT,DE)

WFUN: 7435.2, 9/7, 0000-0002, SIO=212. At midnight, anncr with a singing stn ID said "...more mx ...WFUN..." Then two minutes of music/singing and the carrier was lost. Unknown if this was a separate pirate xmsn or someone rebcsting parts of old xmsns. See also comments at WKUE and Zepplin on this subject. (RICHOLSON,VA)

WKUE: 7435.2, 9/6, 2332-2400, SIO=212. Apparently came on immediately after Zepplin Radio Worldwide. With comedy skits, rock mx and at 2356 the ID "...your stn for the greatest hits of all time... 74 WKUE." But then after a few minutes there was the WFUN ID which lasted until 0002 on 9/7 when the carrier was lost. Unknown if this was a separate xmsn or replay of old bcsts. (RICHOLSON,VA) 7440, 9/6, 2330-0000 (9/7). "Laughing Bill" w/ rock oldies. Told a couple of dirty jokes. Very strong, good audio. (SCHMIDT,DE) Zepplin Radio Worldwide: 7435.3, 9/6, 2314-2331*, SIO=313. Rock mx plus strange tunes (Hi Lilly, Hi Lilly, Hi Low) and crazy anncmnts ("Look out world, here comes that g--d--- blimp again.") Never did get a complete identification; just "...Radio Worldwide," but seems likely this was ZRWW. S/off at 2331 to be followed by WKUE and WFUN. (RICHOLSON,VA) 7438, 9/6, 2300-2305. Very weak at s/on and then completely faded out. Caught ID at the start, old rock mx then gone. Not often hrd here lately. (SCHMIDT,DE)

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1616-1618V, 9/1, 0721-0756, SIO=323. Another rebcast of "Not the American Top 40." Included "This is not Bob Dylan," "That's My Old Man," and Santa with "Oh, ho, ho." Concurrently being played while WHOT was on 1626. During phone call with them, they said they were not doing this pgm. (RICHOLSON,VA) 1618, 9/1, 0400-0750+, SIO=111. Spoof of Am. Top 40 with DJ trying hard to sound like the original. Played novelty songs like "I Want Eyebrows Like Brooke Shields," "She Blinded Me With Light Bulbs," and the AT&T version of "Breaking Up is Hard to Do." Excellent audio and very prof sound. Hrd area code of either 212 or 202. (WOSIK,IL) 1618, 9/1, 0452-0542. Spoof of Am. Top 40 with Kasey Kasem. Crazy ads and crazier songs. Tape ended at 0542, but started over at 0550. (ROSS,ONT)

1626.9, 8/31, 0214-0353, SIO=222. Another rebcast of "Not the American Top 40" pgm including "The Least Popular Song in the Land." Fake ad for "The Elvis Tapes." Also hrd "It's Not Joan Rivers" with "Can We Talk," "100 Bottles of Beer on the Wall," etc.

1630, 8/8, 2345+, SIO=131. Mx by Simply Red then faded out. The Peace Stn? (WOSIK,IL)

6240, 8/31, 0355+, SIO=111. DJ said they were new and will have a mail drop soon. Anncd as a West Coast pirate, mentioned 1/2 wave dipole and report to PopCom. Hrd "Everybody Wants to Rule the World." DJ was Dr. Dipole. Sounded like KDJF, but it was very weak. (WOSIK,IL)

7436, 9/2, 0320-0407+, SIO=141. Possibly RNCI. Barely hrd DJ with gruff Capt. Willie-like voice. Mentioned 604 once, but could not pick out anything else. (WOSIK,IL)

7437, 8/22, 0331, SIO=131. Hrd "Stairway to Heaven." DJ mentioned #40 (addr?) and faded out. (WOSIK,IL)

7441, 9/8, *0244-0318*, SIO=323. Anncd this was their first AM bcst. Played wierd noises of honking cars and mx. Addr lost in the noise. If anyone else has any ideas, please let me know. (TWIGG,MN)

7445, 9/8, 2202*, SIO=353. In SSB, hrd "Yankee Doodle" and a woman talking. Hrd various times on this freq, sometimes with kilo, alpha, delta, etc. (TWIGG,MN)

7447, 9/8, 0302-0315, SIO=141. QRMd to death at 0315. DJ said time & temp. R&R mx. DJ gave some numbers (phone #) and then wiped out by RTTY stn on 7455 with 25 kHz bandwidth. (WOSIK,IL)

7479, 9/8, *2334-2348*, SIO=333. Dead carrier until 0340 when played musical notes in various patterns and at various speeds. PSE QSL. (TWIGG,MN)

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7518, 9/7, 0325-0336 f/out or s/off. Deep fades and rather poor modulation, rock mx, several IDs but unintelligible. DJ said "I'm your host..." and about the last thing in the annmt was the number "373." Some possibility that this was R. Nowser Worldwide, but I am so uncertain, I cannot even consider this tentative! (SANTOSUOSSO,FL)

CENTRAL AMERICA

Voz del CID: 6305.2, 8/24, 0733, SIO=353. ID by OM anncrs. LAm ballads. ID at 0736. (HAVRILKO,UK) 6305.1, 8/31, 0730, SIO=343. OM w/ ID. LAm ballad by female singer. Slight RTTY QRM. Modulation a little low. (HAVRILKO,UK)

EUROPE

Radio Dublin International: 6909.6, 8/24, 1351, SIO=444. First time hrd over here. Never looked for them at the right time. Mx by Stevie Wonder, Donna Summer & The Supremes. Ad for a petrol stn and computerized car wash. Petrol stn was called Phoenix. Ad for sweatshirt. Parody of "Rocky" used in a commercial. (HAVRILKO,UK)

Radio Ireland: 6312v, 8/24, 0753, SIO=343. 0753 sig tune. At 0758 played "Right Between the Eyes." Moved down to 6310.1 at 0801. Then hrd the song "Summer Wine." ID and addr given in DU or DD. 6311.6, 9/7, 1030+, SIO=443. Addr of 1 Mount Joy Square, Dublin. Followed Voice of Hope. Played "doctor's office mx." Good signal and modulation this week. Pop mx followed at 1043. (HAVRILKO,UK)

Radio Rainbow International: 6239.8->6239.9, 8/24, 0904, SIO=444. Moody Blues and soul mx until 0912. Also hrd Huey Lewis and Van Halen mx. DJ was Jim Angus. Read letter from listener. Gave addr in FF and EE. (HAVRILKO,UK)

Voice of Hope (via R. Ireland): 6310.2->6311.6, 9/7, 0955-1030, SIO=343. OM DJ w/ religious format. Gospel mx "Christ is Coming Soon." Also on 1349 kHz MW, but not audible here. Gave addr and phone number. I called and talked to Ann Hughes who gave me the addr of 67 Dunmoore, Lawn Valley Mount, Dublin 24, Ireland. (HAVRILKO,UK)

West Side Radio International: 6279.9, 8/24, 1054, SIO=332. Usually a weak stn with an hour or so with a good signal, but not today. Poor propagation seems to be the rule, not the exception for the Euro-pirates this Sunday. Bluegrass-type mx hrd w/ some other odd mx. Poorer-than-usual signal. 6280, 9/7, 0725-0802, SIO=333. Gave addr of 310 Collins Ave West, Whitehall, Dublin 9, Ireland. OM DJ with pirate news. Played song "We Love the Pirate Stations." News of an FM pirate preacher. Apparently they have changed their name slightly to Radio Westside

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International. DJ was Prince Terry. (HAVRILKO,UK)

UNID, 6206.4, 8/24, 0942-1046+, SIO=433. Could have been R. Marabu. No ID hrd. Rock & new wave mx w/ distorted audio. Weak talk by OM. Annoying habit of some Euro-pirate playing mx and giving no IDs. (HAVRILKO,UK)

UNID, 6261.1, 8/24, 0845, SIO=332. Tuned into rock mx. Hrd "Brave New World." FAX QRM. No ID. (HAVRILKO,UK)

Other news and information: From Bill Krause comes information that the ANARC BBS is off line while Bill moves from Minnesota to Illinois. He said that the BBS should be operating by September 15th, but we do not yet have the new phone # for the BBS. *** Bill Cole has a data base program for the Commodore 64 and 128 (in 64 mode) to provide a SWL's database. It provides greater speed than the old database program and has many search modes for stations. The database can hold upto 1200 listings, and is compiled into "P" code which increases the speed of its operation. Contact Bill at 107 Charles St., N. Cape May, NJ. 08204 for further information. Cost of the disk is \$10 in the US and Canada and \$12 airmail overseas (US monies only). *** Ira Richolson asks where the DiaLog mail should be sent, since the address was left off the column at times. All loggings should be sent to the POB 2571 Shawnee Mission, KS. address for the column. Sometimes I forget to pull up the header properly on the computer so the address gets left off. My apologies for that problem. *** Ken Suess writes about the low loggings of late and high local QRM. Activity has been low, and I've had bad local QRN/M problems myself. I hope things get better and your radio time is improved. *** Joe Wosik writes asking why the new stations are not using the mail drops. Good question! I don't have an answer for you, but perhaps someone can provide an answer. One can speculate that it's due to a concern for their security. *** I also received a letter from a new member in Australia who was wanting radio stickers from AM/FM stations in the US. I have relatively few to offer him, but if you have any spare stickers please send them to me, and I'll mail them to our colleague in Australia.