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If it's Asian DX you want, then your wish is DUDXC's command. From Turkey to Taiwan, from Siberia to Sri Lanka, that's our range. In this edition, read of Geoff Cosier's exciting Bali stay, bone up on the latest Indonesian DX happenings in the most comprehensive and accurate survey available in the DX press, plus much more!

David Foster (DUDXC Convenor), 27th April, 1981.

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DUDXC INVESTIGATION INTO INDOCHINA

- Kampuchea. 6100 Phnom Penh. 1100-1330 HS, replaces 6090, sign on with anthem & ID 7003/10v Phnom Penh. HS untraced in March and April
7373 Phnom Penh. 1100-1330 HS //6100
9694 1/2 Phnom Penh. 1250 Lao FS
11938 Phnom Penh. 1240 Thai FS
5250/6995/11685/11990 Voice of Democratic Kampuchea (via China). 1200-1255
11685/12450 Voice of Democratic Kampuchea. 2330-0025 Pol Pot is louder but
11980/15165 Voice of Democratic Kampuchea. 0900-0955 less successful! DF
Laos. 4656/8v Houa Phan. Missing for much of April, but finally returned 20/4 on its own, then on 22/4 //6168. 1130-1155, 1255-1430 and also heard in Sri Lanka by SW 2300-0015
5612/3v Xieng Khouang. 1100-1400, replaces 5602, strongest Laotian outlet. When still on 5602 heard to s/on 2300, own news 2330, local progs past 0030. Sign off 1400 without National Anthem WB, SW, DF, GC
6168 Houa Phan. Returned 18/4 after absence of a month. 1100-1155, 1255-1430, 2300-0015. Be sure to distinguish it from Ho Chi Minh City 6166v DF, GC, SW
6612v Pakse. 1030-1400, closing down with National Anthem. Relays Vientiane 1200-1230 and 1300-1330. In Sri Lanka heard 2300-0030 SW, GC, DF
6850/2v Oudomsai. 2300-0030 and again 1130-1330, noted after 9 months, sigs usually weaker than other Laotians (SW). 1130-1200 at end of April (DF)
6977/8v Unid. 1145-1400 including 1200-1245 relay of Vientiane. Most likely Luang Prabang shifted from 6999v, unheard when this was on air (mid-April) GC, DF
6998/9v Luang Prabang. 1030-1400 closing with National Anthem, also in Sri Lanka from 2300-0015 SW, DF
7145 Vientiane. FS not heard clearly (SW) Not heard at all (DF)
7183v Xieng Khouang. Missing since early February SW
7384 Savannakhet. Blocked by ute in March & April. In Feb. heard by SW 2300-0030 and 1055-1400, s/off without National Anthem SW, DF, GC
All regionals relay Vientiane news at 0000 and 1200 (SW). However, WB heard 5602 (now 5612) with its own programmes at 0000.
Vietnam. 4237 Lam Dong. Untraced February-April DF, SW
4243 Vinh Phu. 1300-1330 DF
4496v Lai Chau. 1140-1330 mid-March, but unheard since. Before then had been heard on 4509 by SW DF, SW
4687 Gia Lai-Kon Tum. 1100-1215, replaces 4737/4722, relays Hanoi 1100-1145 SW, DF, GC
4770 Son La. 1200-1400, though has been heard as early as 1145 DF, GC, SW
4819/21v Ha Tuyen. 1100-1400, plus 0000-0030 heard in Sri Lanka SW, BW, GC, DF
35 Thanh Hoa. 1200-1230, also 0000-0030. Sched. again from 2130-2200 SW
32/9v Nghe Tinh. No sign of this even when Surakarta on 4900 DF, SW
5139 Phu Khanh. 1130-1315 in April, had been off 2nd half of March DF
5498/502v Hoang Lien Son. 1200-1330 (-1400 Thur/Sun), 0000-0030 in Sri Lanka, also scheduled for 1000-1045 (DF) SEE ECHOES FROM ASIA FOR MORE ON VIETNAM.

On February 1st this year, I boarded a Garuda DC-10 bound for Ngurah Rai airport, Bali. The intention: to photograph, travel and DX as much as possible in a place that has long held a fascination for me! The equipment: a Nikon F2 camera and 4 lenses, and most importantly (for this article!) a National DR-28 and the small National RQ-337 cassette recorder. The result? A most memorable stay, with some great photos, good DX tape, lots of fond memories, and a whole bunch o' DX!

Of course, I need not go into great detail telling how different the Balinese way of life is to the West, but in essence the most interesting aspect of the visit was the people. A very pleasant easy-going and friendly race the Balinese are, and I think, Indonesians in general. Radio-wise, this can be felt from the broadcasts of their relaxing kroncong music, or lagu melayu (Indian-inspired music), or the light casual chat between songs. Even the adverts have a certain naivety about them!

My place of residence for the two weeks I was there was at Kuta Beach, at an inn where I resided on the upper floor of one of the two-storey cottages. I think that this helped reception somewhat, as MW signals were not as good when I DXed poolside (!). A short (10m) aerial was strung out round the balcony, but made no difference. I think that the DR-28 needs a loonnggg aerial to be of any real value! Maybe if one was enterprising and got one of the local kids to take one end of the aerial wire up one of the tall palm trees.....!

Medium Wave:

The DR-28 did well on this band, though of course not in the SPR-4/beverage category, hi. The most prominent feature on MW was that all the stations in Denpasar (and most others) had finally shifted to the correct 9 kHz channels! These were heard from morning (on those occasions when I was actually awake at 0000z - 7am) through to 1600 approx. - 11 pm local time. They were:

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| 666 kHz | R. Menara | Jln. Sulawesi, Denpasar. |
| 774 | R. S.I.S. | Jln. Nakula ...3, Denpasar.(cf below) |
| 833/7v | Y.B.S (Yuda Broadcasting Service) | Jln. Salya 9, Denpasar. |
| 936 | R. A.R. Broadcasting Service | ----- |
| 1026 | R. Casanova | Jln. Veteran 4, Denpasar. |
| 1206 | RRI Denpasar | Jln. Melati 49, Denpasar. |

Despite being 'on-the-spot' and having taped the addresses of some of these, S.I.S.'s address remains incomplete! There is a word sounding like 'kloror' before the '3', and no-one has been able to make sense of it yet. And the Jalan for R. A.R. sounds like Wakhid Mertidu - but no sign of any street like this on the map! I hope to have these mysteries solved by next DUDXS. There were surprisingly no harmonics from these stations, except for one on 1548 (2x774). SIS indeed has a splattery signal. Menara plays much pop music, both Indonesian and Western, whilst Casanova was into heavy rock (though not always). YBS seemed to favour Indonesian music - very good! But SIS tries to outdo them all by having a rounded mixture of all these musical types! RRI's usual mundane output was enlivened by a special English programme daily, for tourists. This runs from 0030 to 0045 on all channels (1206, 2420, 3945 and 101.5 FM). This contained local news and gamelan music. The English is quite humorous, with two very heavily accented announcers reading a script which at times appeared to be directly translated from Indonesian! By the way, the FM frequency was announced as 102 MHz, though it was measured at 101.5 MHz. No other stations were heard on that band.

It should be noted that for the last two days of my visit (12/2 and 13/2), YBS was not heard - probably due to txer troubles. Sandiwara radio (Radio plays) was popular on some stations. In fact, on the same evening I heard one episode on SIS and Menara, both at different times! Must be a popular play! This was sponsored by Lux. Commercials are to be heard on all these stations, and include everything the with-it Balinese should have!: hair-conditioner, shampoo, batteries, Rinso, Commodore cigarettes and Vicks Vapour Rub!! (In Bali????!!!!)

A run-down of MW stations heard from Kuta is as follows:

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| 585 kHz | RRI Surabaya 0000, 0930-1130 | 1080 | RRI Singaraja 0030, 1000-1200 |
| 630 | RRI Ujung Pandang 0030, 0930-1100 | 1098 | RRI Sumenep 0030, 0900-1300 |
| 666 | cf above | 1134 | RRI Banjarmasin 0930-1300 |
| 675 | Unid. 0930 - maybe Brunei | 1170 | RRI Semarang 1000-1200 |
| 774 | cf above | 1206 | cf above |
| 792 | Singapore BC. EE to 1630 s/off. VG! | 1237 | Unid. in Jawa Timur 0030 & 1030 |
| 833/7v | cf above | 1260 | Unid. possibly in Banyuwangi 0030, 1000 |
| 855 | RRI Mataram 0030. 0900-1400 | 1297 | R. Sinta Rama, Cakranegara, Lombok. |
| 891 | RRI Malang 0930-1200 | | 0030, 0900-1300 |
| 920 | Unid. 1000 in Indonesian | 1422 | Maybe Christmas Is.? 1100-1300 v.poor, |
| 936 | cf above | | but once w/def. EE & pops |
| 963 | RRI Jember 0030, 0900-1200 | 1485 | Unid. 0030 (cf Klungkung elsewhere) |
| 972 | RRI Surakarta 0930-; 1400 nx in Javanese | | |
| 1026 | cf above | 1510 | Unid. 0030 |
| 1064 | R. Dirgantara, Negara, Bali. 0030, 1539 | | Unid. 0030 seemingly an Indonesian |
| | 0900-1300. Address: Jln. Ketukaca, Kota Negara. | | |

LIBURAN DI BALI (2)

The station, Radio Dirgantara on 1064 kHz announced 282,5 metres, which equals the 1062 kHz that they should be on! The spelling of their street may be slightly different, as this was monitored off the air. This appears to be DF's station which was on 975 kHz last year when he was there. Not as much time was spent DXing on MW due to my priority of trying to sort out the mess on SW! However, I was surprised at how much I got done on that band in the short time spent listening on it. But IDing MW stations can be more difficult than on SW, as some of the names of the commercial stations are abbreviated, or may have 'odd' names. For example, Radio A.R. never identified in full; only as Radio A.R., or running the two letters together - "Radio air"! At least RRIs and RPDs are a little more uniform!

I didn't bother visiting any of these Denpasar stations, although I did get out to RRI on Jalan Melati - a stiff 15 minute walk from the bemo-stop from Kuta. But by the time I found it (it didn't look so far on the map!), I decided that there wasn't enough time for a proper visit. The building itself is in two sections, one main section being bigger and newer, in 'Balinese modern'! That is, with cream wire-cut bricks, but built in a local style. Unusual. The FM and MW aerials were right outside, and apparently the SW ones, too. One other day whilst bussing past (the busy Kreneng bus station is nearby), I saw a large banner outside welcoming all - possibly an 'open day', or more likely, a live performance of some kind.

Denpasar itself is a very fascinating place - especially the market next to the Badung River (the river itself is really an excuse for a flowing sewer/rubbish dump, hi). Here at the market is where one can really feel the atmosphere of the people and their daily lives. A totally unashamed photographer could take several hundred photos in a day here! Such is the splendour of it all to Western eyes. It seems that there are those Westerners who just can't stand the smells and 'trash', so be warned! But the smells, the crowd, the racket and the unusual fruits and spices are not to be found in any European or Australian city. The city itself is fairly cramped in the center, giving an impression that it's really much bigger - especially with the hundreds of motor-bikes all roaring around!

Short-wave:

DXing from Kuta on short wave was overwhelming, to say the least! Indonesian signals abounded on the tropical bands, and an added bonus was the excellent reception of China and Indo-China on all bands. The difference of reception of Indo-China from Bali compared with Melbourne was staggering! Especially considering that my Trio 9R59DS at home is far more sensitive and selective than the DR-28. But unfortunately not much new DX was heard from Indo-China or China, so Indonesian DX was the order of the day. The following list is only an indication of what was heard on a semi-nightly basis for 2 weeks. Times are not meant to reflect fade-in or fade-out times, and sign-on/off are indicated where they happened to be heard. ie: -1400 =s/off 1400 GMT; 1133- = s/on 1133 GMT.

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| 2260 Unid. 1210 | 2645 RPDT2 Ponorogo 1130-1225 |
| 2295 Unid. 1535 - maybe in Sumatra | 2655 Unid. 1130-1320 |
| 2313 Unid. 1210 | 2680 Unid. 1130-1300 |
| 2325 RKPDT2 Bangkalan 1000-1300 | 2695 RRI Ende 1130-1400 |
| 2332 RKDT2 Cianjur 1310-1330 | 2702 Unid. 1130-1535 |
| 2335 RRI Jakarta 1200-1320 | 2714 Unid. 1410 - seemed an amirir |
| 2351 RRI Yogyakarta 1200-1535 | 2740 RRI Bandung 1130-1535 |
| 2362 Unid. 1320 | 2782 Unid. 1130-1215 always w/Koran! |
| 2370 Unid. 1320 (cf Indo' survey elsewhere) | 2786 Unid. 1200 |
| 2380 Unid. 1020 | 2853 RKPDT2 Lombok Timur 1130-1300 |
| 2390 RRI Cirebon 1210-1600 //864 MW | 2878 RSPDT2 Boyolali 1130-1320 |
| 2400 Unid. 1210-1320 | 2898 Unid. 1130 |
| 2412 RKPDT2 Bojonegoro (tent.) 1210-1610 | 2900 Unid. 1130-1320 |
| 2419 Unid. 1020-1535 | 2905 RPDT2 Ngada 1130-1210 |
| 2420 RRI Denpasar 1010-1600, 0000-0050; is unannounced in the EE px, but Indo' ID gives 123,3 m. = their old 2430 kHz | 2908v RKPDT2 Gresik 1210-1535 |
| 2440 RRI Surakarta 1020-1535 | 2963 RPDT2 Manggarai, Ruteng, Flores Is. 1130-1400v. Annces 2.963 MHz! |
| 2446 Unid. 1210 | 2971 Unid. 1130-1400; had Jakarta nx 1400, //3277. Odd! |
| 2451 RRI Jakarta 1210-1300 | 2977 Unid. 1130-1210 |
| 2460 Unid. 1225-1305; some nights under China | 2986 RPDT2 Ngawi 1130-1535 |
| 2475 Unid. once at 1320. Maybe RAB is off or irregular these days? | 3000 RKPDT1 Jawa Timur, Surabaya. 1010-1535, 0010-0030. Very strong! |
| 2485 Unid. 1210 | 3006 Unid. once only 1300-1330 |
| 2490 RRI Mataram? 1210-1535) Seemed off- | 3015 Unid. 1130-1305 over Korea! |
| 2492 RRI Mataram 0010-0030) freq in the | 3055 RKPDT2 Sampang 1130-1535 |
| 2523 Unid. 1210 morning only?! | 3076 Unid. once 1130. Not Blora! |
| 2569 Unid. 1535 | 3088 Unid. 1535 - maybe in Sumatra |
| 2579 Unid. 1535 | 3103 Unid. 1130-1535 |
| 2612 Unid. 1210-1300 | 3120 RRI Dili 1133-1400//3305. Irregular |
| 2624 RSPDT2 Blora 1300-1535 | 3132 Unid. 1130-1535 |
| 2639 Unid. Possibly on Bali; 1000-1320 | 3140 RKPKDT2 Programa Satu Lumajang! 1130-1420. Rotten modulation |

LIBURAN DI BALI (3)

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| 3155 | RPDT2 Temanggung 1130-1210 | 3427 | Unid., maybe Manokwari 1130 |
| 3165 | Unid. 1130-1400. <u>Not</u> Gelora, which is
now on MW. F/in like Jawa Barat, anyway | 3504 | RPDT2 Banyuwangi 1130-1400 |
| 3205 | RRI Bandung 1020-1535 | 3552 | RPDT2 Lamongan 1130-1400 |
| 3215 | RRI Manado 1020-1535; 0015 | 3578 | RPDT2 Tanah Laut, Peleihari, Kalimantan.
1200-1410; own nx 1405. Anncees 81,80m |
| 3223 | RRI Mataram 1020-1400. Powerhouse! | 3582 | RPDT2 Situbondo NF ex 3578, maybe to
avoid above? 1200-1410; 0015 |
| 3232 | RRI Bukittinggi 1130-1535 | 3641 | RRI Gorontalo 1130-1400 |
| 3245 | Unid. once 1130 | 3655 | Unid. 1150 |
| 3250 | RRI Banjarmasin 1020-1400; 0015 | 3775 | Unid. 1050-1150 |
| 3260 | RRI Kupang 1130-1210 | 3935 | RRI Semarang 1100-1300 |
| 3266 | RRI Gorontalo 1130-1300 | 3945 | RRI Denpasar 1030-1600; 0015-0050 at
poor level! Includes <u>EE</u> 0030-0045 |
| 3277 | RRI Jakarta 1130-1625 | 3960 | RRI Palu 1130-1300 |
| 3286 | RRI Madiun 1130-1300 | 3975/8 | RRI Surabaya 1100-1500; 0015 |
| 3305 | RRI Dili 1200-1400, //3120 | 3995 | RRI Pontianak 1100-1300 |
| 3325 | RRI Palangka Raya 1130-1400; 0015 | 4000 | RRI Kendari 1100-1300 |
| 3330 | RDKT2 Sukabumi 1210 once | 4003 | RRI Padang 1130-1300 |
| 3345 | RRI -? Never got a site ID! 1130-1210 | 4088 | RPDT2 Blitar 1150-1400 |
| 3355 | RRI Sumenep 1130-1300 | 4164 | RPDT2 Nganjuk 1150-1400 |
| 3375 | RRI Jambi 1210 once | 4120 | RPDT2 Garut 1150-1500; xed w/Korea c/c |
| 3381 | RRI Malang 1020-1400; 0015 | 4626 | Unid. 1130 once |
| 3385 | RRI Kupang 1100-1400 | 4700 | RKIP Surabaya 1100-1535; 0015 |
| 3398 | RRI Singaraja 1020-1400; 0015. Vy easy! | | |

Not too much DX was found above 4700 kHz; things there were fairly 'normal'. The few exceptions were:

6135 RRI Samarinda 0010-0040 on channel, not 6134 as listed.
5046 RRI Yogyakarta 0010+ - listed s/on is 0100
11715 Voice of Indonesia FS in Malay 0930 w/ID. This is now back on 11790 kHz

All unidentifieds listed above are of course, in Indonesia! Just imagine if you had a Drake R7 and 100m of aerial out! As usual though, fading, poor sensitivity (for real dxing) of the receiver, and poor modulation were all factors in not getting more IDs. One very delightful feature was the lack of static! Especially considering that it was the wet season there. Another factor not too much more was done was that there is a unique brand of nightlife in Kuta, a splendid array of restaurants, and many friendly Australian and Dutch girls, hi hi!

The most interesting non-Indonesian DX logs were:

5950 kHz Unid. Vietnamese regional 1200, but missed the ID 3/2/81. Quite a good signal
6092 Cambodia. VOPOK HS. 1130 with really excellent signals! Never thought I'd hear this so well. No other SW parallels, though.
6130 Laos. Vientiane. Excellent signals 1200 with nx in Lao
9535 Singapore. SBC. 4/2/81 on NF ex 9530, with full EE ID 0930

One might think that being able to hear all these stations would be a DX highlight, but for me that was the trip to 2 RPD stations in Eastern Bali. Actually seeing the stations, the people behind the scenes, the locations and the way of life was really something.

RKPDT2 Klungkung.

From Denpasar's Kreneng bus station via Colt mini-bus and its maniac driver (are the Balinese more reckless than the Parisians or Romans?!) to Klungkung was an experience in itself! Klungkung is a moderately sized market town, the strange thing that everywhere looks like WW II took place there! Buildings in the European style look like they're almost falling down, whilst next door new Balinese style buildings are going up. And most of the town is two and three storey construction. Delightfully odd!

On the main road, not too far from the market, are the Government offices where RKPDT2 Klungkung is located. It seems that most RPDs are located in or near the local Government offices. "Kantor Bupati Kepala Daerah tingkat II Klungkung" the sign said outside. Walking up the sweeping driveway through nice gardens to an older style 'Western' brick building, I could see the aerials poking up from the rear - about 60' tall. Near the entrance to the building I met a fellow working there who spoke excellent English: Mr. Tjokorde Made Weda. In fact, he actually understood me when I told him my hobby was listening to long-distance radio stations on short wave - amazing! He summoned the 'penyiar dan operator' (announcer and studio operator), a young fellow by the name of Wyn. Sumajaya. He told me that the station had been off the air since mid-October 1980 when the transmitter modulation valve blew. Due to the official 'red-tape' there, and a general lack of spare parts, they were still waiting for the replacement. In fact, it should be back on the air as you read this. Frequency was quoted as 2637 kHz, with only 75 watts output! Incidentally, Wyn said that the RPD station at Karangasem was also off the air due to the same problem! Klungkung's schedule is as follows: 0000-0330, and 0900-1400 (same as 5 a.m. until 8.30 a.m., and again from 4 p.m. until 9 p.m. local time). Their address is: Jalan Angkosa No. 2, Klungkung, Bali. The gentlemen there said that they would be most interested to receive reception reports, if they can be heard overseas. In fact, they were most fascinated to know that RKPDT2 Gianyar had been heard in Australia.

LIBURAN DI BALI (4)

But as my usual luck held out, I could not get in to see the studios or transmitter. It seems that the Kepala studio was in Denpasar for the day, and he had the only key with him! Incidentally, most station personnel have a job of some sort in the Government offices. But Tjokorde said that the studio was the same as the main offices - breezy louvres/glass and brick construction. Quite nice, really.

Unfortunately they could not supply me with the frequencies of the other RKP stations on Bali, except to say that they are all Radio Khusus Pemerintah Daerah tingkat 2. The only ones on Bali operating are from Tabanan, Buleleng, Jembrana, Karangasem, and of course Gianyar. Who knows, some of them may even be on MW, as has happened in Java. Ace American DXer, Ralph Perry has visited the station at Buleleng (near Singaraja, up on the north coast), and says it is on 120 metres. He also tells me that it is so adorable, that it is well worth the visit just for the station! In fact he says it is the cutest radio station he's seen - and he's travelled extensively through Indonesia and South America! Darn, wish I'd seen it! Or heard it, hi.

There was one other station in Klungkung - MWer "Radio Suara Calvary, Voice of Calvary Broadcasting Service", which as the name implies, is a Christian-run affair. It is in a very small building (a house?!) with a very big aerial outside the front door, with guy-wires running everywhere (including next door!). It is situated at: Jalan Gelgel 33, Klungkung, Bali. This is literally around the corner from the RKP building! According to the promotional board out front, it is on 1485 kHz, which is entirely possible, as this is a 9 kHz channel. A weak station was heard on this frequency in the mornings, from Kuta, so may have been them. Their aerial looked very professional, too. This station was apparently on SW in years gone by.

RKPDT2 Gianyar.

From Klungkung, it was via 'bemo' (a Datsun 1600 utility with canopy and seating for about eight people!) to Gianyar, 8 km away, which is another market town. Gianyar is about 20 km 'as the crow flies' from Denpasar, but about 30 km by road. It seems I had caught market day, as I shared the cramped back of the darn bemo with two ladies and their immense baskets of salak and other fruit, not to mention two ricefield workers and other assorted passengers! In fact I had to help hang on to the baskets as we whizzed around corners - much to the delight of the market-goers! Especially when I uttered a couple of sentences in Indonesian: I was told that it was indeed a wonderful thing to be able to speak their language, and they were most pleased!

The studio building of RKPDT2 Gianyar is not hard to miss; it's right on the main road, with its large aerial mast once again right outside the front door. Incidentally, I have never seen so many government buildings in such relatively small towns. Maybe five or six sizeable buildings for everyone from commandos to agricultural officers! The bureaucratic system never had it so good, hi.

At the station (which as usual, shares the district offices) I was again lucky to meet someone who spoke English! And to think of all the trouble I went to to learn Indonesian, so I could speak to such people! This gentleman was the Kabupaten secretary, who ushered me into his office where he was drinking 'Tehbotol' (cold tea, which is sold in bottles like soft-drink!!). I showed him my xeroxed QSL received from them some 12 months earlier, and told him I would like to thank the person there who answered my letter. With that, he called a very surprised Mr. Wibawana, who acts as the Kepala Studio. He told me that the station still operated on 3125 kHz, with 150 watts, but I doubt that, as nothing was heard whilst I was in Kuta. Maybe power is well down, or they have drifted? Their full schedule is: 0100-0500 GMT, then again from 1000-1400 GMT (which equals 8 a.m. to midday, and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. local time). Their address is now: Jalan Ngurah Rai No. 74, Gianyar, Bali. They were formerly in another part of town, but they moved to this newer building in April 1980. According to Mr. Wibawana, they have received 4 'outside' reception reports: one from Java, and from some blokes by the names of Robert Yeo and David Foster from Australia (as well as myself)! When I asked about seeing the station, I was told that it isn't possible unless it is ON the air at the time! And for that, I would have had to wait around 3 hours, or return another day. But meeting and chatting with the folk there, and simply seeing that 'RKPDT2 Gianyar' sign outside made up for it. It seems that I was a centre of attention both there and at Klungkung, as an inevitable crowd of office staff peered 'round corners or out of windows everywhere I looked! Obviously not too many DXers visit these parts.

So, I missed out on seeing the other mentioned RPD stations, but I think that will make a very handy excuse for going back there again some time; and no doubt to Java and beyond. Besides, some of the darn stations owe me verifications! Who said that DXing is a cheap hobby?!

Summary? A fascinating land unlike anywhere in Europe or Australia, and most certainly commended for the real travellers at heart (not to mention DXers or photographers!). memories of terrific temples, lush green countryside, fascinating markets, the marvellous children and their white-toothed smiles.....aaaaahhhh!

Any takers for a DXpedition there????!

by Geoff Cosier.

DUDXC INDONESIAN SURVEY

Despite all efforts of static, poor propagation, low power and diabolical modulation, hundreds of Indonesian SW broadcasters continue to be heard outside their own region. About three dozen of the stations heard in this survey remain unidentified so ID detectives still have ample employment. Many of the unid's are amateurs, often but not always limited to Saturday nights. We have been listening constantly over March and April, thus you can be sure loggings are up-to-date. Some observations provide commentary on stations listed in WRTH81. You should be aware that many broadcasters operate outside the below-mentioned hours, owing to wayang performances (mainly Saturday nights), special local events, and Ramadan. With the oncoming southern winter, Australian DXers will enjoy earlier evening fade-ins and correspondingly later morning fade-outs. At the moment 2230 is the latest we hear Indo. stations on 90 metres, and 2300 on 60 metres. This should extend by about an hour by mid-winter. Thanks to contributors David Foster (Merton Gap, Victoria), and Geoff Cosier and Robert Yeo (Melbourne), also a few notes from Jean-Pierre Penaud (Paris, France), Willi Bernok (Duisburg, West Germany) and Bill Whitacre (Dallas, Texas, U.S. of A.). Refer also to Geoff's Bali article for further information.

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| 2260 | Unid. 1200-1500, perhaps this is the listed RRI Pekanbaru | 2674 | Unid. 1400-1500 |
| 2325 | RKPDT2 Bangkalan. Power is 300W, but unheard recently. Used to -1300 | 2681 | Unid. 1230-1430 |
| 2325 | <u>RDK</u> Cianjur. 1200-1600, runs 750W, not 250W - you wouldn't guess it! | 2690 | RSPD Kotamadya Tegal. 1200-1600. Note correct ID |
| 2332 | RRI Jakarta. 1100- <u>1715</u> , thanks to Indonesian DX Review No. 35 for Jakarta schedule. Programa Nasional | 2694 | RRI Ende. 1030-1500 |
| 2336 | RPDT2 Tasikmalaya. 1100- <u>1600</u> //3910 | 2701 | Unid. 1530-1600, overmodulated so probably amatir |
| 2348 | RRI Tg. Pinang. 1300-1500, replaces listed 2360 | 2712 | Unid. 1300-1500 |
| 2350 | RRI Yogyakarta. 1100- <u>1700</u> | 2725 | RKPDT2 Sumedang. Unheard |
| 2370 | RDK Subang. 1500- <u>1600</u> | 2727 | RRI Palembang. Delete |
| 2376v | RRI Surabaya. 1100- <u>1600</u> | 2730 | RKDT2 Semarang. Delete |
| 2390 | RRI Cirebon. 1030- <u>1600</u> , seems erratic powerwise. Acc. to station has 1000W into Delta match aerial system | 2741 | RRI Bandung. 1200- <u>1600</u> , not // 2419 3204 |
| 2412 | RKPDT2 Bojonegoro. 1100- <u>1610</u> | 2804 | RRI Tg. Karang. Unheard |
| 2415 | RPDK Sumedang. Delete | 2830 | Unid. amatir (perhaps the most regular). 1200-1600 |
| 2415 | RKDT2 Cirebon. Delete | 2834 | Unid. (believed to be RPD in Lumajang). 1030-1400 |
| 2418 | R. Suara Mahakam.....Kotamadya Samarinda. 1000-1300, ID incomplete | 2837 | Unid amatir. 1430-1600 overmod. |
| 2419 | RRI Bandung. 1030-1600, dominant by 1100, //3204 | 2844 | Unid. 1100-1400 |
| 2419 | RRI Denpasar. 1100- <u>1600</u> //3945 | 2853 | RKPDT2 Lombok Timur. Shifted to 4449 at start of April |
| 2430 | RRI Malang. Delete. This was heard on 2449 daytime only while in Malang in December 1979 | 2878 | RSPDK Boyolali. 1030- <u>1505</u> |
| 2435 | RRI Palembang. Delete | 2884 | Unid amatir. 1330-1600 overmod. |
| 2439 | RRI Surakarta. 1030- <u>1700</u> | 2893 | RKDT2 Purbolingga. Delete |
| 2451 | RRI Jakarta. 1100-1415 Prog. Ibu-Kota, 1415- <u>1715</u> relay Prog. Nas. | 2896 | Unid. 1300-1600 |
| 2456 | RRI Dili. <u>1000-1410</u> | 2898 | Unid. 1130-1600, often blocked by Aussie harmonic |
| 2464 | RDK Purwakarta. Delete | 2900 | RRI Mataram. Alternate freq. to 3223 from <u>2130-</u> |
| 2475 | R. Angkatan Bersenjata. Unheard | 2904 | RPDT2 Ngada. 1200-1400, has tx problems at the moment. Power is/ was 500W |
| 2480 | RRI Padang. Unheard | 2906 | RKPKDT2 Gresik. 1030- <u>1600</u> |
| 2484 | Unid. 1500-1530 tentative, problems with Aussie harmonic here | 2916 | RSPDKT2 Klaten. Tentative 1300-1430, also suffers from Aussie "harmonica" |
| 2490 | RRI Semarang. 1200- <u>1600</u> | 2922 | Unid amatir. 1400-1500 overmod. |
| 2492 | RRI Mataram. 1100- <u>1520</u> | 2942 | RSPDKDT2 Magelang has shifted to 1539 MW acc. to the station |
| 2503 | RDK Bandung. Delete | 2945 | Unid amatir. 1400-1530 overmod. |
| 2522 | Unid. 1100-1500. Still don't know if this is really RPD KM Sukabumi | 2963 | RPDT2 Manggarai. 1000- <u>1405</u> |
| 2527 | Unid. 1130-1300, tough due to persistent ute. May not now be RPKPKDT2 Mojokerto (used to be 2528) | 2966 | Unid amatir. 1430-1600 overmod. |
| 2569 | Unid. 1300-1430 | 2976 | RPDT2 Kab. Bulungan. 1000- <u>1400</u> , reactivated |
| 2582 | RPDT2 Timor Tengah Selatan. Power is 300W, but unheard lately | 2985 | RKPKDKT2 Ngawi. 1030- <u>1600</u> |
| 2614 | Unid. 1300-1400, probably amatir. as no Jakarta relay | 2990 | RPDT2 Sragen. Delete |
| 2624 | RSPDT2 Blora. 1100- <u>1600</u> | 3000 | RKPDT1 Jawa Timur. 1000- <u>1600</u> |
| 2645 | RKPDT2 Ponorogo. 1100-1430 but... | 3015 | Unid. 1130-1600 under Pyongyang |
| | | 3025 | RPDT2 Kendal. Delete |
| | | 3056 | RKPKDKT2 Sampang. 1000- <u>1500</u> |
| | | 3074 | RSPDT2 Blora. Now on 2624 |
| | | 3076v | Unid. 1130-1530, of course not Bojonegoro now (on 2412) |

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| 3088 | Unid. <u>1030-1600</u> | 3330 | RDK Sukabumi. <u>1030-1520</u> |
| 3097 | RKPDT2 Lumajang. Delete | 3342 | RDK Pandeglang. <u>1130-1500</u> , also noted once off air by 1430. |
| 3099 | RK Informasi Pertanian. <u>1000-1600</u> //4699 | | Reactivated but irregular |
| 3102 | Station here is 2nd harmonic of off-channel DWGO Olongapo City (2x1551), formerly heard on 3114. <u>1000-1500</u> | 3345 | RRI Ternate. <u>0900-1415</u> , <u>2030-2130</u> //3945 |
| 3104 | RKDT2 Brebes. <u>1100-1600</u> but ID unconfirmed | 3345 | RRI Pontianak. Unheard |
| 3115 | RKDT2 Serang. <u>1100-1300</u> , though ID here also unconfirmed lately | 3355 | RRI Sumenep. <u>1100-1600</u> tent., hard due to Noumea's AN carrier |
| 3120 | RRI Dili. Shifted to 3475v | 3364 | RRI Sorong. Delete |
| 3125 | RPDT2 Gianyar. Power is 150W but is currently off air. Used to <u>-1400</u> | 3367 | R. Angkatan Udara. Unheard |
| 3127 | RPDK Cikampek. Delete | 3375 | RRI Medan. <u>1030-1600</u> |
| 3130 | Unid. <u>1400-1500</u> , possibly amatir | 3375 | RRI Jambi. Unheard, possibly early sign off (e.g. <u>-1000?</u>) |
| 3137 | RSPDT2 Kebumen. Unheard | 3381 | RRI Malang. <u>1030-1600</u> |
| 3140 | RKPDT2 Lumajang. Unheard in Oz but Geoff heard it in Bali | 3385 | RRI Kupang. <u>0900-1520</u> , <u>2130-2230</u> |
| 3143 | Unid. <u>1330-1400</u> , didn't seem to be RKPDT2 Dompu (of which power was 150W) | 3385 | RRI Pangkalpinang. Delete |
| 3155 | RSPDT2 Temanggung. <u>1030-1600</u> | 3395 | RRI Tg. Karang. <u>1030-1600</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> |
| 3162 | Unid. <u>1100-1300</u> | 3398 | RRI Singaraja. <u>1000-1600</u> , shifted from 3392v |
| 3165 | Unid. <u>1100-1500</u> , also after 1500, tent. ID as R. Bayankara, Cirebon. No longer RKPDT2 Kotamadya Surabaya | 3412v | Unid. <u>1030-1620v</u> , varies from 3408 to 3415, relays Surabaya 1400. Maybe the station in Lumajang I heard there in 1980 (DF) |
| 3171 | Unid. <u>1030-1600</u> , ID as RPDT2, place name believed to start with K | 3421 | RPKDT2 Lebak. <u>1300-1600</u> tentative |
| 3181 | RKPDT2 Jember. Unheard | 3427 | RRI Manokwari. <u>0900-1400</u> , <u>2030-2130</u> |
| 3189v | Unid. <u>1300-1430</u> , presumably amatir | 3433 | RKPDT2 Kediri. <u>1030-1600</u> |
| 3191v | RRI Kendari. Only used on special occasions, e.g. Ramadan broadcasts | 3440 | Unid. <u>1100-1400</u> , possibly shift by long-time unid on 3437 |
| 3204 | RRI Bandung. <u>1000-1600</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> | 3445 | RRI Purwokerto. Inactive |
| 3213 | RRI Ujung Pandang. <u>1100-1520</u> | 3446 | RRI Pontianak. <u>0930-1520</u> |
| 3215 | RRI Manado. <u>0930-1520</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> , by far dominant on this channel | 3450 | RPDK Tangerang. Delete |
| 3223 | RRI Mataram. <u>0930-1520</u> , <u>2130-2200</u> | 3452 | RKPDT2 Pamekasan. <u>1030-1600</u> |
| 3225 | RRI Tg. Pinang. <u>1100-1530</u> | 3461 | RKPDK Bima. <u>1100-1530</u> |
| 3232 | RRI Bukittinggi. <u>1100-1600</u> | 3463 | RKPDT2 Pasuruan. Unheard |
| 3241 | RRI Ambon. <u>0930-1400</u> , <u>2000-2100</u> | 3473 | RKPDT2 Jombang. Delete |
| 3241 | RRI Sibolga. Unheard. Possibly used occasionally as alternate for 5260 | 3475v | RRI Dili. <u>0900-1410</u> very strong overmod. signal daily, replaces 3305/3120 in April |
| 3250 | RRI Banjarmasin. <u>0930-1520</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> , once or twice <u>2130-</u> | 3484 | RKPDT2 Magetan. Delete |
| 3250 | RRI Merauke. Shifted to 3905 | 3485 | Unid amatir. <u>1430-1500</u> overmod. |
| 3260 | RRI Kupang. <u>1000-1520</u> , <u>2130-2200</u> , irregular operation | 3490/3v | Unid amatir. <u>1400-1600</u> overmod. |
| 3265 | RRI Bengkulu. <u>1100-1600</u> | 3497/502v | RPDT2 Banyuwangi. <u>1000-1520</u> , faulty tx at times, with drift |
| 3266 | RRI Gorontalo. <u>0900-1520</u> , <u>2100-2200</u> , but doesn't always come on at 2100 | 3511 | RPDT2 Lampung Tengah. <u>1300-1500</u> |
| 3277 | RRI Jakarta. <u>1000-1300</u> Prog Khusus, <u>1300-1715</u> Prog. Nas, <u>2200-2230</u> Prog. Khusus | 3514 | R. Niaga dan Budaya Simalungun. Delete |
| 3286 | RRI Madiun. <u>0945-1600</u> (used to s/on 1000), <u>2200-2230</u> | 3523 | RKPDT2 Poso. Delete |
| 3295 | RRI Samarinda. <u>0930-1520</u> , blocks reception of RPDT2 Kotamadya Pematang Siantar | 3539 | RKPDT2 Kab. Kota Waringin Timur. <u>1030-1520</u> |
| 3300 | RKPKDT2 Bandung. Delete | 3552/4v | RPDT2 Lamongan. <u>1200-1555</u> |
| 3305 | RKPDT2 Karawang. Possibly inactive | 3575 | Unid amatir. <u>1530-1600</u> overmod, separate from Tanahlaut |
| 3305 | RRI Dili. <u>1000-1410</u> , badly overmod. during March, now shifted to 3475v | 3575 | RPDT2 Tanahlaut. <u>1200-1600</u> , a shift down from 3578 |
| 3305 | RRI Bukittinggi. Now on 3232 | 3581 | RPDT2 Situbondo. <u>1030-1600</u> , replaces 3578 |
| 3312 | Unid. <u>1030-1502</u> , also to 1600, ID is RKP... No news 1400 | 3640 | RRI Gorontalo. <u>0930-1520</u> , <u>2100-2130</u> |
| 3317 | RRI Balikpapan. Obliterate this reference | 3708 | RPDT2 KM Pematang Siantar. Now on 3295 |
| 3317 | RPDT2 Simalungun. Unheard | 3762 | RRI Kendari. <u>0930-1520</u> , new, //4000 |
| 3322 | RRI Jember. Unheard | 3762 | RKPDT2 Tuban. Delete |
| 3325 | RRI Palangkaraya. <u>1000-1520</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> | 3775 | RKPDT2 Sumbawa. <u>1030-1410</u> |
| | | 3790v | RPDT2 Labuan Batu (tent.), <u>1300-1500</u> , but didn't replay Medan 1400 |
| | | 3804 | Unid. <u>1130-1330</u> , maybe amatir |
| | | 3800 | RKPDT2 Jember. Now on 3181 though apparently inactive there too |
| | | 3828 | RKPDT2 Malang. Delete (to MW) |
| | | 3866 | RKPD Pekalongan. Delete |

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| 3891 | Unid amatir. 1400-1430 overmod. | 3204 | in eves. Is used daytime |
| 3893 | RPDT2 Sidoarjo. Delete | 4955 | RRI Banda Aceh. <u>1100-1600</u> |
| 3905 | RRI Merauke. 0815- <u>1400</u> , <u>2100-2115</u> , replaces 3250. At 0915 takes Jayapura relay as do other Irian Jaya stations (except Fak-Fak, Ambon, Manokwari and Ternate) | 4980 | RRI Tg. Pinang. Delete |
| 3905 | RRI Banda Aceh. Unheard | 4980 | RRI Jayapura. Delete |
| 3910 | RPDT2 Tasikmalaya. 1130-1330, FEN gives it little chance | 5043 | RRI Wamena. 0830- <u>1215</u> but absent 2nd half of April |
| 3916 | RRI Ternate. Delete | 5046 | RRI Yogyakarta. <u>1000-1700</u> , sometimes pre-1000, e.g. 0930 |
| 3935 | RRI Semarang. <u>1000-1600</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> | 5205 | RRI Palangkaraya. Unheard but may be used on special occasions only |
| 3945 | RRI Ternate. 0900- <u>1415</u> , <u>2030-2130</u> | 5260 | RRI Sibolga. <u>1030-1600</u> , now and again moves to 5255 but here now |
| 3945 | RRI Denpasar. <u>1030-1600</u> , both these stations running lower power | 5451 | RRI Biak. <u>0800-1400</u> , <u>2100-2130</u> //7211 |
| 3956 | RRI Tg. Karang. <u>1030-1600</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> | 5886 | RRI Pekanbaru. <u>1030-1600</u> , <u>2300-2330</u> |
| 3960 | RRI Palu. 0930- <u>1520</u> | 5970v | RRI Banjarmasin. Daytime only |
| 3975 | RRI Surabaya. Once heard //3978 at 1445. This tx is stronger but rarely used | 5975 | RRI Nabire. Inactive |
| 3978 | RRI Surabaya. <u>1000-1600</u> , <u>2130-2230</u> | 5987 | RRI Manado. Delete |
| 3995 | RRI Pontianak. <u>1030-1520</u> | 6012 | R. Institut Teknologi Bandung. Inactive. Power had been reduced to 1000W |
| 4000 | RRI Kendari. 0930- <u>1520</u> | 6045 | RRI Jakarta. <u>1000-1715</u> , <u>2200-2300</u> Prog. Nasional |
| 4003 | RRI Padang. <u>1100-1600</u> | 6070 | RRI Jayapura. <u>0800-1130</u> but inactive in March and April |
| 4045 | RRI Bengkulu. Delete | 6120 | RRI Surabaya. Unheard, probably daytime only |
| 4054 | RPDKT2 Ciamis. 1130-1400, irreg. | 6135 | RRI Samarinda. Daytime only |
| 4087 | RPDT2 Blitar. <u>1030-1600</u> but missing most of April | 6187 | RRI Manokwari. <u>0800-1400</u> , <u>2030-2130</u> |
| 4115v | RPDT2 Garut. Unheard | 6190 | RRI Padang. Believe daytime only |
| 4140 | RKP Kotamadya DT2 Kediri. Delete (to MW) | 6207 | RRI Serui. <u>0900-1400</u> , <u>2100-2130</u> , no longer RRI Biak whose tx must have been shipped to Serui! |
| 4164 | RPDT2 Kab. Nganjuk. <u>1000-1600</u> | 7070 | RRI Jakarta. Delete |
| 4239 | RKPDT2 Kab. Kota Waringin Barat. <u>1100-1520</u> | 7099 | RRI Yogyakarta. Daytime only |
| 4376 | RPDT2 Soppeng. Delete | 7108 | VOI Jakarta. Delete |
| 4449 | RPDT2 Lombok Timur. <u>1000-1300</u> , replacing 2853 at start of April. Now RPD ex RKPD, with reduced hours | 7139 | RRI Ambon. <u>0800-1400</u> |
| 4464 | RPDT2 Kutai. Delete | 7211 | RRI Biak. <u>0800-1400</u> |
| 4601 | RKPDT2 Trenggalek. <u>1100-1600</u> | 7239 | RRI Mataram. Delete |
| 4603 | RRI Serui. Delete | 7240 | RRI Medan. Delete |
| 4651 | RPDT2 Simalungun. Delete | 7266 | RRI Surabaya. Delete |
| 4699 | RK Informasi Pertanian. <u>1000-1700</u> | 7286 | RRI Fak-Fak. Inactive eves, but could be daytime |
| 4719 | RRI Ujung Pandang. <u>0830-1520</u> | 7296 | RRI Manado. Delete |
| 4753 | RRI Ujung Pandang. <u>2130-2230</u> , also occasionally replaces 4719 in eves | 9510 | RRI Ujung Pandang. Unheard but believe active daytimes |
| 4764 | RRI Medan. <u>1030-1600</u> | 9612 | RRI Jayapura. <u>2100-0020</u> , <u>0400-0620</u> , <u>0655-1130</u> |
| 4774 | RRI Jakarta. 0930-1300 Prog Khusus, <u>1300-1715</u> Prog. Nas, <u>2200-2300</u> | 9745 | RRI Sorong. May be daytime only |
| 4789 | RRI Fak-Fak. <u>0800-1400</u> , <u>2030-2130</u> | 11770 | RRI Jakarta. <u>0500-0800</u> , <u>2200-0100</u> |
| 4804 | RRI Jakarta. Delete | 11789 | VOI Jakarta. <u>0100-0300</u> , <u>0800-1700</u> |
| 4830v | RRI Bukittinggi. Shifted to 4910 | 11942 | RRI Jayapura. Delete |
| 4845 | RRI Ambon. <u>0800-1400</u> , <u>2000-2130</u> | 15150 | VOI Jakarta. <u>0100-0300</u> , <u>0800-1700</u> , replaces 15200 |
| 4855 | RRI Palembang. <u>1000-1600</u> , <u>2200-2230</u> | | |
| 4865 | RRI Wamena. Occasionally may be used as alternate for 5043 0830- <u>1215</u> . Also daytime | | |
| 4875 | RRI Sorong. <u>0800-1400</u> , <u>2100-2130</u> , takes 1200 relay off air from 4719 as has identical ute QRM pattern | | |
| 4900 | RRI Surakarta. <u>1000-1700</u> , often alternate to 4932 in April | | |
| 4900 | RRI Gorontalo. Delete | | |
| 4910 | RRI Bukittinggi. <u>1100-1600</u> | | |
| 4920 | RRI Tg. Pinang. Unheard, possibly daytime only | | |
| 4920 | RRI Wamena. Sched. daytime | | |
| 4920 | RRI Palangkaraya. Delete | | |
| 4927 | RRI Jambi. <u>2200-2300</u> | | |
| 4932 | RRI Surakarta. <u>1000-1700</u> | | |
| 4945 | RRI Bandung. Rarely as alternate to | | |

Late night wayang kulit plays from RRI Yogyakarta to be held for the rest of the year are on: 9 May, 13 June, 11 July, 8 August, 12 September, 10 October, 14 Nov, 12 December. They run from approx. 1400-2300 (9 p.m. to 6 a.m. locally) and is relayed from the 'Sasono Hinggil Dwi Abad' Hall in Yogya, presumably on all RRI Yogya transmitters. This info. from GC Hari Raya Idul Fitri (end of Ramadan) occurs on 1-2 August 1981. This means that Ramadan would take up virtually all of July, except the 1st 3 or 4 days. Early morning transmissions are a feature of the Indonesian Ramadan broadcasting scene.

Good luck with your Indo. DXing DF

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INDONESIAN KABUPATEN INFORMATION

Way back in DUDXS 11 (1978), David Foster provided a valuable list of 'all' local government districts (kabupaten, or daerah tingkat 2). Whilst on my trip to Bali, I was able to secure the latest version of the map from which DF got his original information. In gleaning through, there are a few additions/changes between this latest (1980) map, and David's 1976 one. Perhaps the most obvious change is the addition of a new level: Kota Administratip (administrative town). No stations have yet been heard from this level. The changes are:

Daerah Istimewa Aceh: alter Aceh Tengah (Takengon) (ex-Takenguen)

Riau: add Kota Administratip Dumai

Sumatera Selatan: Musi Ilir Banyuasin is also known as 'MUBA') Who knows, if there are any
Musi Hulu Rawas " " " " 'MURA') stations there, they may ID
Ogan Komering Ilir " " " " 'OKI') in this abbreviated form!
Ogan Komering Ulu " " " " 'OKU')

Bengkulu: alter Bengkulu Utara (Argamakmur) (replaces Bengkulu town as capital)

Jawa Barat: delete Kotamadya Cimahi; add K.A. Cimahi. Add K.A. Tasikmalaya

Jawa Timur: add K.A. Jember

Bali: add K.A. Denpasar. Karangasem town also known as Amlapura

Nusa Tenggara Barat: alter Bima (Raba), (ex-Raba-Bima). Add K.A. Mataram

Nusa Tenggara Timur: add K.A. Kupang

Irian Jaya: alter Yapen Waropen (Serui). Add K.A. Jayapura

Sulawesi Utara: alter Kotamadya Bitung to K.A. Bitung

Sulawesi Tenggara: add K.A. Kendari

Sulawesi Tengah: add K.A. Palu

Sulawesi Selatan: alter Pangkajene Kepulauan (Pangkajene)) Yes! Two different places in
alter Sidenrang/Rapang (Pangkajene)) Sulawesi Selatan with the
same name!

Kalimantan Selatan: delete Kotamadya's Banjarmasin and Banjarbaru

Timor Timur: add these previously unlisted kabupaten: Alieu, Ainaro, Ambeno (Pante Makassar),
Baukau, Bobonaro (Maliana), Dili, Ermena, Kovalima (Suai), Lautem (Los-Palos),
Likisia, Manofahi (Same), Vikeke.

That makes a grand total of 247 kabupaten, 54 Kotamadyas, 12 Kota Administratip, and 27 Provinces! I should add that provinces not mentioned above have no alterations to them. (GC)

INDONESIAN QSL's

Recent veries as received from Robert Yeo, David Foster, and myself (Geoff Cosier) all of Orstrylia! The addresses are either new, or different to WRTH.

| Station: | Freq: | Verie-Signer: | Position: | | | |
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| RKPDT2 Bangkalan | 2325 | R. Zainal Patah | Penyiar dan operator | MS | 3w. | GC |
| RDK Cianjur | 2325 | R.A.D.Kusumah | Kepala Studio | PC/MS | 8d! | GC |
| RKPDT2 Dompu | 3143 | Alexander | --- | MS | 4w. | RY,GC |
| RKPDT2 Kotawaringan Barat | 4240 | Sularno Sukarno | --- | PC/MS | 13w. | GC |
| RSPDKT2 Magelang | 2942 | Endin Soewarno | Kepala Stasiun | | | DF |
| RPDT2 Ngada | 2904 | Daud El Bara | Kepala Siaran | PC/MS | 32d | GC,DF |
| RDK Subang | 2370 | Deddy Hendartono | --- | | 4w. | RY |
| RSPD Kotamadya Tegal | 2690 | Watie Soetedjo | Penyiar dan operator | | 6w. | GC |
| RPDT2 Temanggung | 3155 | Setyo Tjipto | Kepala Stasiun | | 4w. | RY |
| RRI Cirebon | 2390 | Baheramsjah | Kepala Tata-Usaha | | 2-4w. | RY,GC |

Addresses:

- RSPDT2 Blora, Jln. Aloon-aloon Utara, Blora, Jawa Tengah.
- RKPDT2 Bangkalan, Jln. Letnan Abdullah 1, Bangkalan, Madura, Jawa Timur.
- RPDT2 Ngada, Bajawa, Flores, Nusa Tenggara Timur.
- RDK Subang, Jln. A. Yani 9, Subang, Jawa Barat.
- RSPD Kotamadya Tegal, Jln. Pemuda 4, 'Balaikota', Tegal, Jawa Tengah.

MS= Mint stamps sent with report; PC=Prepared card used. Following on from my notes on QSLing Indonesian stations last issue, Willi Bernok in Germany notes: "A friend of mine told me that he had good success with reception reports in Dutch. QSLs came from Palangkaraya and Bukittinggi straight away; he says someone at the station knows someone else who all speaks the language (maybe an old grandfather?!)." Hmmm, could be useful for the language scholars amongst us, but I'm afraid I have no ability in Bahasa Belanda!

In Bali, I was able to get an approximate scale of airmail card/letter rates to foreign countries: CARDS: to Asia/Pacific: 125 Rp.-; America: 150 Rp.-; Europe: 200 Rp.-
LETTERS: " " : 200 Rp.; " : 250 Rp.-; " : 300 Rp.- per 20g.
Hope it's of help to those sending mint stamps! 73s de GC!

RADIO ULAN BATOR
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For many DXers, Mongolia has long constituted a real DX catch - generally not well heard, and certainly an 'exotic' place. But only a few years ago did Radio Ulan Bator get higher powered transmitters (from the USSR), enabling them to be heard just that little bit easier. I hope that the following brief round-up will provide an incentive for some DXers to take a hard look at this country, as there is still much to be learned, DX-wise.

Radio Ulan Bator first began broadcasting on September 1st 1934, from an old 2-storey house in Ulan Bator, which is now the Yugoslavian Embassy there! In those first days, the staff consisted of 3 persons, and with only 2 hours of broadcasting per day. Radio Ulan Bator now has 2 editorial boards and 10 sections for home and foreign services, and 3 departments (art & culture department, technical & programme department, and mailing department). The home service now has two programmes, which run 24 hours a day. Radio Ulan Bator became a member of the International Organisation of Radio & TV on September 25th, 1952.

Radio Ulan Bator's foreign service operates in the following languages: English to the Far East; French to Africa; Russian to the USSR; and in Chinese, Kazakh and Mongolian to China. The first English language broadcast was in 1965, and the first French broadcast was in 1970.

Transmitter site for the foreign service is at Khonkhoryn, 25 km out of Ulan Bator, where one 250 kW transmitter and two 100 kW transmitters are used. For the home service, different transmitters are used, ranging in power from 25 kW to 100 kW.

All this is according to the station. As regards the above mentioned site, when I queried them in February 1979, they said that "2 new transmitters are being erected now near Ulan Bator in Khonkhoryn; 1 x 250 kW and 1 x 100 kW". Hence, the second 100 kW txer must have either been there previously or is additional since Feb' 1979. At that time, they also noted that 'relay-transmitting stations' were erected by specialists, at Altai and Choybalsan City; the latter being in the east of the country. One can only presume by Russian specialists, and that these are the new higher powered transmitters heard on 4995, 4830, etc. Matters are further confused, as the ITU THFBS geographical co-ord's for Mongolia's SW operations give 92.00E, 50.00N: this turns out to be right near the far western border, and nowhere near Ulan Bator as it states! However, years ago (in the 1960's) two sites were listed, both in this western zone - Bain-Ulgei (running 20kW), and Tsagaannuur (5 kW with co-ord's of 89°20'E, 49°30'N). I wonder if these are still in use? And what has been their primary site in past years, before the Russian-aided sites were built? Of course another possibility is that Radio Moscow may use some of these high-power txers for themselves! Do we really now?! Unfortunately, the WRTH is fairly out-of-touch as far as Mongolia goes. The French transmissions have never been listed, even though they started 11 years ago! Then again, I've never seen any DXers report that, or the Kazakh broadcasts either. But surely someone out there must have heard them!?

So, this all appears to be only the tip of the ice-berg, and Radio Ulan Bator is slated for yet another 4 high-power transmitters! It's time to turn your radio-ears towards this country. For the record, below is a mini-survey of R.U.B.'s transmissions as heard here in Australia at present:

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| 4080 kHz | Home service | 1030 f/in-1500 | in Mongolian; includes RM FS in Mongolian 1200-1245 |
| 4750 | Home service | 2200- | in Mongolian, by Willi Bernok, Germany, w/IS, ID and anthem |
| 4762 | Home service | 1000 f/in-1500 | } same pxs as 4080 |
| 4995 | Home service | 0930 f/in-1500 | |
| 6383 | Foreign service) | | |
| 12070 | // Foreign service) | 0900 Chinese, 0930 Mongolian, 1000 Chinese, 1030 Mongolian, 1100 Chinese, 1130-1200 Mongolian; 1220-1250 English, 1300 Chinese, 1330 Mongolian, 1400 Chinese, 1430-1500 Mongolian. | |

Note that the FS txns start 2 hours before the 1100 listing in WRTH '81.

The other channels, such as 4830 are only heard at 2200+, but that's too late in the morning at this time of the year for us.

----- Geoff Cosier, April 1981

ASIAN DELI-VERIES

A brief look at some recent 'exotic' Asian QSLs received here at DUDXC:

CHINA: Xizang PBS, Lhasa, 9490. Card direct via surface mail. This freq' now inactive DF
Guangxi PBS, Beihai 8733/8758. Cards w/CC verie text via seamail, direct from
Nanning in up to 7m. Gave presumably nominal 8790 kHz DF, GC

KAMPUCHEA: V.O.People of Kampuchea, 9695. Full data EE ltr in 13w. for a follow-up,
from Miss Som Kim Suor, Head of Foreign Service. Report and reply both sent
'via Hanoi, Vietnam' GC

LEBANON: WORD, 6215. FD EE ltr in 23d from Charles Pollack, for rpt sent 'direct' to Israel
Also, my rpt sent to the US address QSLed in lld, with much station info! GC

PAKISTAN: PBC-Peshawar 7120.8. FD ltr from Yar Mohammed Khan, Eng. Man. in 4w. GC

VANUATU: R. Vemarana, 3522. FD EE verie from R.J.Schnell, ex-announcer who now lives in
Adelaide GC

DUDXC ECHOES FROM ASIA

Thanks so much to contributors BC Bryan Clark (NZ), WB Willi Bernok (West Germany), JC John Campbell (UK), SW Sarath Weerakoon and VG Victor Gobnetilleke (Sri Lanka), BW Bill Whitacre (USA) and GC Geoff Cosier, CR Chris Rogers, RY Robert Yeo and DF David Foster (all Australia). Quite an array of top DXers!

- Afghanistan. 5740 Kabul. 1600-1700 HS, just 2 kHz away from Peshawar 5738 DF
- Azad Kashmir. 4980 R. Azad Kashmir. 1410-1802. Relays news from R. Pakistan at 1745, closes at 1802 with anthem consisting of endless repetitions of 'Azad Kashmir' by large choir (BC & DF). Also 6275 1320-1400 (DF)
- Banladesh. 4890 Dacca. 0027- with IDS & ID, is said not to be on full power WB
6145 Dacca. 1230-1315, 5 mins. of English 1255-1300. Note that Delhi s/on 1430 on this channel in English DF,GC
9575v Dacca. +0600-1000 Bengali, though announcing 9550. Move to avoid Bombay? SW
- ma. 5060 Unid (wonder if it's really 'On the Road to Mandalay?'). 1030-1330 replacing the 4980 mystery station (VG). 1300 tent. under Urumqi (DF)
- China. 2880 Liuzhou (presumed), 1245 2nd harmonic of 1440 where only faintly audible under 2CN Canberra DF
3960 Urumqi. Acc. to Xinjiang PBS, Chinese is scheduled here (CR). Noted in possible Chinese with ID's at 1620 & 1630 which might have been Xinjiang or Zhongjiang, but not sure if //4500 (WB)
4035 Lhasa. 1230-1500+ //5950 (under Harbin) and 7110, Tibetan
4750 Lhasa. 1230-1500+ //5240 5935 7172 in Chinese DF
5020 Nanchang. 2200 to fade out after 2310, own ID's WB
5900 Chengdo. 1130 Chinese ID, squashed under PLA. Why does PLA operate on regional station frequencies at all, e.g. 3900 4840 5240 and 5900? DF
6155 Lanzhou. Often here past 0000
7300 Nei Monggol PBS (location?). From as early as 1100 past 1430 WB
25740 Fuzhou. 1st Prog at 1145-1230+, again 2130-2330 f/out on this incredible 11th harmonic of 2340. Also heard on 2h (4680), 3h (7020) and 9h (21060) GC,DF
- Yunnan PBS, Kunming - schedule according to the station is:
1st Prog: 2150-0100, 0250-0605 (but 2150-0800 Sun), 0920-1600 on 576 990 2460
2nd Prog (Part I): 2155-0100, 1055-1600 on 1242 6937 /4760 & 7210
2nd Prog (Part II): 2155-0000 on 2310 5960 (from CR, and translated from Chinese by a colleague at GC's work). Heard 2310 & 5960 to -1430 so sched incomplete DF
- Cook Islands. 9695 Rarotonga. -0900 s/off, replacing 5045 (Arthur Cushen's px 6/4)
- India. 3235 AIR Shillong via Gauhati. 1230-1730 SW
3300 Hyderabad. 1330 tent. AIR ID and short sub-continental musical excerpts BW
- Israel. 14842 Galei Zahal. Once only (no time given). I think both IBA and Ministry of Telecommunications use its programmes as (intentional or involuntary) test feeds from time to time, or when prog.-production staffs are on strike JC
- Japan. 6055 NSB Tokyo. 2130 ads. over Prague, unusual to hear at this time DF
- Kashmir. 3277½ AIR Srinagar. 1340-1430, easily separable from Jakarta 3277
3345 Jammu. 1420 news in S. Asian lang, clear due to absence of Pontianak DF
- Lebanon. 6215 KING/WORD/King of Hope/Voice of Hope. QSL gives power as 10 kW from omnidirectional aerial, tx is located in the Valley of the Springs in an area called Free Lebanon (Arthur Cushen's DX World 6/4). Schedule is 0400-2200v with sign off varying from 2203 to 2226. SW power is 15 kW (JC). Since 1/2 with English news 1800, also in 0500-0545 period (BC)
- Malaysia. 6997 Voice of the People of Malaya. 1145 Cantonese, 1200 into St. Chinese as sched, badly distorted sig. Full sched: 2130-2330, 1130-1330, 1430-1530 DF
- Maldives. 4754 Male. 1255-1330 reactivated at end of March (DF,GC). Up-to-date schedule: 0030-0315 (Friday -0500) on 1485 4754; 0800-0930 on 1485 and 9552 with English news 0800; 1230-1735 on 1485 4754 (VG)
- North Korea. 4405 Pyongyang. 1225 Spanish FS replacing 3840 and //9420. This freq. had been previously reported as taking HS //2850 etc. DF
- Pakistan. 5005/8v Rawalpindi. 1625 tentatively on 5006½ (GC). s/on 0045- since 1/3 //5059 (SW,WB) Nominally on 5010. All Pakistani freqs. are nominal!

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Pakistan. 5059/60v Islamabad. 0043 ID & Koran (WB). s/on 0045 (replacing 0125)
as of 1/3 //7095 (SW) .
5092/5v Islamabad. 1245-1505+ HS, also 1600-1800 in Dari DF
5726/32v Peshawar. +1230-1415 (DF). According to the station this is an old 1950's
AWA 10 kW'er, prone to drifting (GC)
5738 Peshawar. 1600-1800 relays Islamabad 5095v in Dari. This broadcast seems to be
aimed at Afghan refugees living in the North-Western frontier of Pakistan (SW)
Lost soon after 1700 to European ute QRM (WB)
5985 Quetta. s/on 0045- (replaces 0125) as of 1/3 SW
6203 Karachi. 1400-1605+ DF,GC
6212 Quetta. 1300-1345 DF
6590 Karachi. +1300-1700 new freq, probably SW feeder, with Peking QRM SW
7093/5v Islamabad. 1300-1505, not //5095v DF
7265 Islamabad. 1000-1200 SW
7325 Rawalpindi. 1400-1445, down 10 kHz from nominal DF
9776½ Karachi (presumed). 0435-0615+, down from nominal 9780 VG
21755v R. Pakistan. 0230 English slow speed news, replaces 21590. Also from 1100 with
English ID intro'ing Burmese prog (BC). On 21757 at 1305 in Arabic (DF)

Sabah. 4970 Kota Kinabalu. 1310 big signal with telephone interview prog BW
5980 Kota Kinabalu. 0935 news in local lang. with mentions of Sabah GC,DF

Saudi Arabia. 4980 Riyadh/Jeddah. Close around 2230 or 2300, a feeder on USB. These
feeders are heard now and then on freqs. below 5.1 MHz, e.g. noted so far on
4980, 5028 and 5068, a few days only always. Location wasn't given WB
21505 Riyadh. 1835 past 2000, 21605 same time but different prog, 21570 0605 past
0730 over R. Australia, good use of 13 metres BC

U.S.S.R. 2952 Vladivostok. 1240 RM Chinese FS, 2nd harmonic of 1476 where was
slightly better strength, though suffering light QRM DF
21460 R. Afghanistan via USSR. Regular from 0430-0700+ BC

U.A.E. 9694 Abu Dhabi. 1920-2130a, horrendous het from RFE 9695 BC

Vanuatu. Thanks to initiative by Ray Crawford in tracking down a former announcer
with Radio Vemarana, I now have a prized QSL for this station. Robert J. Schnell,
heard on air as Derek Hodding, verified my taped report with a friendly letter. He
advises that initially a 350 Watt tx'er was used, but this was replaced by a 1000 W
transmitter which gave good reception in NZ on 3577. In both cases the aerial was a
half-wave dipole running east-west. Tx'ing location was varied but mostly nearby
Luganville, Espiritu Santo (BC). Schnell admits he was the Australian announcer
nicknamed Lord Paw-Paw. He was dubbed this by the "left-wing" Englishman, John
Beasant (Fr. Walter Lini's government spokesman, adviser and chief policy maker).
Schnell's address is 10 Halmon Avenue, Everard Park, S.A. 5035 (DF)

Vietnam. 6166v Ho Chi Minh City. 1015-1535 DF,GC
6330 Son La. 1145-1400, though scheduled 1200- DF,GC,SW
6630/2v Cao Bang. 1200-1330 (-1400 Mon/Wed/Fri), replaces 6650 SW,GC,DF
6633 Hoang Lien Son. 1200-1330 //5501v DF
6722/67v Bac Thai. 1125-1330, new timing GC,SW,DF
6814 Lai Chau. 1140-1330 mostly in Viet dialects SW,GC,DF
9622/3v Ho Chi Minh City. 1230-1535, also scheduled 2157- DF,GC

Unidentified. 5015 1000 Chinese under Vladivostok 25/3 but not since
5025 1003 after s/on to close at 1030 25/3 in Chinese, distorted, one day only.
ID sounded like 'Taiwan renming guangbo tientai', but doesn't make sense
unless it's a clandestine GC
5600 1159 tune in with China-style operatic chorus, then 1205-1215+ messages in
CW. Gone by 1235 23/3 DF
5729/33v 1440-1510 Middle Eastern lang, slightly distorted, a clandestine? DF,GC

SOME THOUGHTS ON DX-ING IN THE SOUTH OF AUSTRALIA by Bill Whitacre: One striking
difference was the spread nature of the Indonesian stations, while the Latins are
usually crowded every 5 kHz on the 60 metre band and less frequently on 90 metres.
This along with the fact that Indo's seem to change freqs. a little more often than
some Latins made them an elusive and rewarding target. While the Latins have more
ID's, the Indo's have their ID's at usually predictable times and while the languages
are different they are both relatively easy and can be picked up quickly if you
listen often. It was kind of fun to have to dig for some of the stations we consider
nuisances back home and to hear how well some others come in, particularly Ecos del
Torbes. (Thanks so much for your article, Bill, and sorry it had to be drastically
shortened. Others, read Bill's great WRTH81 article, 'Postmark Rarotonga' -DF)