

# British DX Club

# Pacific

# on Shortwave



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Front page images (clockwise from top left): Reach Beyond Australia, Radio New Zealand (RNZ Pacific), AWR Guam (KSDA), ABC Wantok (broadcast on RNZ Pacific), Solomon Island Broadcasting Corporation and TWR Guam (KTWR)

## Australia

### Australian Broadcasting Corporation

The Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) is Australia's national broadcaster. The ABC now provides radio, television, online, and mobile services throughout metropolitan and regional Australia and overseas through ABC Australia and Radio Australia. However, all domestic and external broadcasting on shortwave has been discontinued



### ABC Radio Australia - Wantok programme

Although Radio Australia's shortwave service has been discontinued, the ABC Wantok programme is broadcast on shortwave by RNZ Pacific three times a day, Monday to Friday. The Wantok programme is 30 minutes of news and current affairs broadcast in Papua New Guinea Tok Pisin, Solomon Islands Pijin and Vanuatu Bislama pidgin languages:

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Relayed by</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>Transmitter site</b>	<b>kW</b>	<b>Target area (as per RNZ)</b>
0800-0830	Mon-Fri	RNZ Pacific	13755	Rangitaiki, NZ	50	Pacific
1228-1300	Mon-Fri	RNZ Pacific	13755	Rangitaiki, NZ	50	NW Pacific, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, PNG
2210-2240	Mon-Thu	RNZ Pacific	17675	Rangitaiki, NZ	50	Pacific

### Domestic HF Licences

Changes were made to Australia's Broadcasting Act in December 2000 to permit Christian Voice International to begin using the Radio Australia shortwave transmitters in Darwin, and to allow HCJB Australia to build a new facility at Kununurra in Western Australia. If a broadcaster wants to target a domestic audience within Australia, all they need do is apply to the Australian Communications Authority for a Domestic HF Licence (DHFL). It costs a few hundred dollars and the lower range frequency allocations are specifically exempt from ITU Regulations.

The frequencies available are anywhere in the range 2300-26100 for broadcasting 'within Australia and its territories' and the following frequency blocks are only available for the DHFL broadcasters: 2300-2495, 3200-3400, 3950-4000, 4750-4995 and 5005-5060 kHz. The power of these stations is typically 1 kW.

### Bay Islands Radio

Bay Islands Radio broadcasts from a low-power shortwave transmitter at Russell Island, Queensland.

**Frequency:** 5045 kHz (low power)

Rob Wagner comments "The schedule is pretty loose and is missing on some nights. The correct location is Russell Island (not nearby Macleay Island), about 35 km southeast of Brisbane City. As confirmed recently by one of the operators, Shannon Shuttleworth. The website doesn't get much love. For more current updates, see Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Bayislandsradiofm88>." (RW, August 2023)

### Shortwave Australia

Shortwave Australia is an operation run by David Stuart in Victoria. They have a Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/p/Shortwave-Australia-100087235748332/> (with thanks to Peter Parker for this information).

**Frequencies:** 2310 and 4835 kHz (both low power)

### Station X

Station X is operated by Peter Tate in Wee Waa, New South Wales. The current antenna on 4970 is an inverted-L with 100w out. However, Peter is constantly doing antenna design experiments to get out the best signal and has an active page on Facebook with further information: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/123554367678571>

**Frequencies:** 2325 and 4970 kHz (both low power)

### Symban World Radio

SWR is based in Sydney, New South Wales, and established in 1997 to serve the Greek community of the city. It operates on MW 1692 kHz and FM, and irregularly on SW 2368.5 kHz. The transmitter site is Leppington, Sydney, NSW

**Frequency:** 2368.5 kHz (0.5 kW)

### Unique Radio Australia

Unique Radio Australia is located in Moree NSW and has been operating since 2016. Owner Tim Gaynor has a background in community radio and his station provides a variety of programming not necessarily heard on mainstream media. More at <https://www.uniqueradio.biz>, where URA also streams via the website. Tim points out that the correct name of his station is "Unique Radio Australia", so as not to confuse with the "Unique Radio" online station in London UK. As of 10 April 2024, Tim advises that "Unique Radio Australia is currently off air till further notice" (usual frequency is 5035 kHz with 3210 kHz as an alternative)

### Radio 4KZ

Radio 4KZ no longer operates on shortwave. Located in Innisfail since 1967, Radio 4KZ covers the tropical coast of Far North Queensland on 531 kHz and FM. Its SW transmitter was launched on 20 December 2017 to serve the remote areas of north Queensland on 5055 kHz. However, enquiries by Ron Howard in March 2024 as to its absence on shortwave, brought a reply from Craig Seager who said "5055 has apparently been off for six months, and removed from the 4KZ site. Al Kirton (formerly at the helm of 4KZ for 38 years, but now semi-retired) tells me that he will eventually be back on air as 4DX (oldies format), but needs to buy some land first to accommodate it. Future plans include 2485 kHz local evenings with 2 kW"

## International broadcasting on shortwave

### Reach Beyond Australia

Since 2003, Reach Beyond (formerly HCJB) has been broadcasting on shortwave to Asia.

**Transmitter site:** Kununurra, in the Kimberley in far north Western Australia

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>kW</b>	<b>Target (as per RBA)</b>
0930-0945	Tue-Thu	Korean	9860	100	Korea
0930-1000	Fri-Mon	Korean	9860	100	Korea
0945-1000	Tue-Thu	English	9860	100	Korea
1100-1130	Sat/Sun	Japanese	11905	100	Japan
1130-1145	Daily	Rohingya	11945	100	Myanmar
1145-1200	Daily	Burmese	11945	100	Myanmar
1200-1215	Tue-Thu/Sat	Tsangla	11875	100	Bhutan
1200-1230	Daily	Hindi	15320	100	India (South)
1200-1230	Daily	Matu	11945	100	Myanmar
1200-1230	Mon/Fri/Sun	Dzongka	11875	100	Bhutan
1215-1230	Tue-Thu/Sat	Dzongka	11875	100	Bhutan
1230-1245	Mon-Wed/Fri	Oriya	11875	100	India (North)
1230-1245	Mon/Wed	Telugu	15320	100	India (South)
1230-1245	Tue	Kurux	15320	100	India (South)
1230-1245	Thu	Telugu	11875	100	India (North)
1230-1245	Thu	Bengali	15320	100	India (South)
1230-1245	Fri	Gujarati	15320	100	India (South)
1230-1245	Sat	Marathi	11875	100	India (North)
1230-1245	Sat/Sun	Tamil	15320	100	India (South)
1245-1300	Mon/Wed-Fri	English	15320	100	India (South)
1245-1300	Mon-Sat	Hindi	11875	100	India (North)
1245-1300	Tue/Sat/Sun	Tamil	15320	100	India (South)
1230-1300	Sun	English	11875	100	India (North)
1300-1315	Daily	Tamil	15320	100	India (South)
1300-1330	Daily	Hindi	11875	100	India (North)
1315-1330	Daily	Kannada	15320	100	India (South)
1330-1345	Daily	English/Hindi	15320	100	India (South)
1330-1345	Mon	Punjabi	11875	100	India (North)
1330-1345	Tue	Kurux	11875	100	India (North)
1330-1345	Wed	Bhojpuri	11875	100	India (North)
1330-1345	Thu	Himachali	11875	100	India (North)
1330-1345	Fri	Nepali	11875	100	India (North)
1330-1345	Sat/Sun	Chattisgarhi	11875	100	India (North)
1345-1400	Mon/Sat	Urdu	11875	100	India (North)

1345-1400	Tue	Bhojpuri	11875	100	India (North)
1345-1400	Wed	Punjabi	11875	100	India (North)
1345-1400	Thu	Nepali	11875	100	India (North)
1345-1400	Fri	Bengali	11875	100	India (North)
1345-1400	Sun	Gujarati	11875	100	India (North)
1345-1400	Daily	English	15320	100	India (South)
1400-1415	Mon-Fri	Nepali	11825	100	India (North)
1400-1415	Sat	Tibetan	11825	100	India (North)
1400-1430	Sun	English	11825	100	India (North)
1415-1430	Mon	Punjabi	11825	100	India (North)
1415-1430	Tue	Tibetan	11825	100	India (North)
1415-1430	Wed-Sat	Rohingya	11825	100	India (North)
1500-1530	Daily	Burmese	11900	100	Myanmar
2230-2300	Daily	Japanese	17650	100	Japan

### **Hobart Radio International**

Hobart Radio International (The Voice of Tasmania) is a shortwave community service relayed across the globe via shortwave and FM in New Zealand. They describe themselves as "the voice for Tasmania, and will always be developing and different. Crossing the borders since 2004, telling the unknown and investigating on what's important". The time and frequency below is subject to confirmation and there may be more releases of the show on other shortwave stations.

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>Transmitter site</b>	<b>kW</b>	<b>Target</b>
0800-0830	Wed	English	5850	WRMI Okeechobee FL	100	North America

## Guam

### **International broadcasting on shortwave**

#### **KSDA - AWR Asia/Pacific**

KSDA is the AWR Asia/Pacific relay station based on Guam, which started shortwave broadcasting in 1987. AWR stopped using all other transmitter sites at the end of A24 and this is the only site that they now broadcast from.

**Transmitter site:** Facpi Point

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>kW</b>	<b>Target area</b>
0000-0030	Daily	Burmese	17650	100	Myanmar, Thailand, China
1000-1100	Daily	Chinese	15295	100	Southern China
			15430	100	Central & Northern China
1100-1130	Daily	Indonesian	15500	100	Western Indonesia
1100-1200	Daily	Chinese	15295	100	Southern China
			15430	100	Central & Northern China
1130-1200	Mon/Wed/Fri	Javanese	15500	100	Indonesia, Malaysia
1130-1200	Tue/Thu/Sat/Sun	Sundanese	15500	100	Indonesia, Malaysia
1130-1200	Daily	Shan	15530	100	Myanmar
1200-1230	Daily	Mon	15430	100	Myanmar
1200-1230	Fri/Sat	Chinese	9610	100	Central & Northern China
			15550	100	Southern China
1200-1230	Sun-Thu	Min Nan	9610	100	Central & Northern China
			15550	100	Southern China
1230-1300	Sat-Thu	Cantonese	9610	100	Central & Northern China
			15550	100	Southern China
1230-1300	Fri	Chinese	9610	100	Central & Northern China
			15550	100	Southern China
1300-1330	Daily	Kachin	15530	100	Myanmar
1300-1330	Daily	Indonesian	15680	100	Western Indonesia
1300-1330	Daily	Bangla	15255	100	Bangladesh
1300-1330	Sat/Sun	Uighur	15600	100	Western China
1300-1330	Mon-Fri	Chinese	15600	100	Western China
1330-1400	Daily	Lisu	17755	100	Myanmar
1330-1400	Wed/Sun	Asamese	17735	100	North-East India
1330-1400	Daily	Kokborok	15255	100	Bangladesh
1430-1500	Daily	Karen (Pwo)	15400	100	Myanmar, Thailand, China
1430-1500	Daily	Burmese	15530	100	Myanmar
1500-1530	Daily	Kannada	15215	100	Southern India
1500-1530	Daily	Tamil	15530	100	Southern India
1530-1600	Daily	Hindi	15215	100	Northern India
1530-1600	Daily	Kannada	15680	100	Southern India
1600-1630	Daily	Telugu	15665	100	Southern India
1630-1730	Daily	Korean	9870	100	Korea



1630-1700	Mon/Wed/Fri	Pashto	15360	100	Northern India
1630-1700	Tue/Thu/Sat/Sun	Sindhi	15360	100	Pakistan
1730-1830	Daily	Korean	6180	100	Korea
1800-1900	Daily	Korean	9760	100	Korea
1830-1930	Daily	Korean	6180	100	Korea
1900-2000	Daily	Arabic	11985	100	Egypt, Iraq, Arab Peninsula
2000-2100	Daily	Korean	9885	100	Korea
2100-2200	Daily	Chinese	15625	100	Central & Northern China
2200-2300	Daily	Chinese	15625	100	North-East China
2230-2300	Daily	Javanese	15665	100	South-East Asia
2300-0000	Daily	Chinese	17530	100	Central & Northern China
			17620	100	North-East Asia

### **KTWR - Trans World Radio**

KTWR is the TWR relay station based on Guam, which began broadcasting on shortwave in September 1977.

**Transmitter site:** Merizo.

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>kW</b>	<b>Target area</b>
0945-1000	Sat	Indonesian	11965	100	South-East Asia
1000-1015	Sun	Balinese	11965	100	South-East Asia
1000-1030	Mon-Sat	Indonesian	11965	100	South-East Asia
1000-1030	Sun	Madurese	11965	100	South-East Asia
1030-1100	Sat/Sun	Indonesian	11965	100	South-East Asia
1045-1100	Mon-Sat	Mongolian	15610	200	East Asia
1100-1115	Sat	Malay	11965	100	South-East Asia
1100-1115	Sun	English	11965	100	South-East Asia
1100-1115	Daily	Mongolian	15610	200	East Asia
1100-1146	Mon-Fri	English	11965	100	South-East Asia
1100-1130	Sun-Fri	Korean	9910	200	East Asia
1115-1130	Sat/Sun	English	11965	100	South-East Asia
1115-1145	Mon-Fri	Chinese	12160	200	East Asia
1130-1200	Tue-Fri	Korean	9910	200	East Asia
1130-1200	Sun	English	9910	200	East Asia
1145-1200	Daily	Chinese	12160	200	East Asia
1200-1215	Mon-Fri	Yunnanese	9910	200	East Asia
1200-1215	Mon-Fri	Chinese	12160	200	East Asia
1200-1230	Sat	Burmese	12040	200	South-East Asia
1200-1245	Sun	Chinese	9910	200	East Asia
1215-1245	Sun	Japanese	9975	200	East Asia
1230-1245	Sun	Sgaw Karen	12040	100	South-East Asia
1230-1315	Sat	Vietnamese	11550	100	South-East Asia
1245-1300	Daily	Hui	9910	200	East Asia
1245-1300	Sun	Manipuri	15400	250	South Asia
1245-1300	Mon-Wed	English	15400	250	South Asia
1300-1301	Mon-Fri	English	15400	250	South Asia
1300-1315	Sat	Desiya	15400	250	South Asia
1300-1315	Sun	Bhatri	15400	250	South Asia
1300-1340	Mon-Fri	Chinese	9975	200	East Asia
1300-1345	Sun	Chinese	9975	200	East Asia
1300-1400	Sat	Chinese	9975	200	East Asia
1301-1308	Mon-Fri	Hindi	15400	250	South Asia
1315-1345	Mon-Fri	Korean	9320	200	East Asia
1345-1400	Daily	Korean	9320	200	East Asia
1400-1415	Mon	Bondo	15410	250	South Asia
1400-1415	Tue	Kurukh	15410	250	South Asia
1400-1415	Wed	Kui	15410	250	South Asia
1400-1415	Thu	Santhali	15410	250	South Asia
1400-1415	Fri	Dzongka	15410	250	South Asia
1400-1415	Sat	Bengali	15410	250	South Asia
1400-1415	Sun	Ho	15410	250	South Asia
1400-1515	Daily	Korean	9870	200	East Asia
1415-1445	Mon-Thu	Uighur	11590	250	Xinjiang & environs
1445-1500	Daily	Kazakh	11590	250	Kazakhstan & environs
1500-1600	Mon-Sat	Korean	9900	250	East Asia (broadcast by Living Water Ministry)
1900-2000	Daily	Korean	7510	200	East Asia



## KTWR DRM schedule for B24

A message from KTWR: Now that the B24 HFCC conference is over, we can let you know what our DRM broadcast schedule will be. We had to delete one broadcast to China and split the South Asia broadcast blocks. The broadcast to Japan will continue its experiment with the 25-meter band. We may change this back to 31 meters at mid-season if the data indicates the need to do so. Finding a frequency free of digital interference has been a challenge. Another experiment will be using two different antennas for the 15390kHz broadcasts. The Sunday broadcast will be beamed mostly toward central India while the Saturday broadcast will continue the southern India heading. Please let us know the differences in performance that you notice.

**Transmitter site:** Merizo - DRM operating at 50 or 90 kW.

<b>Days</b>	<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>kW</b>	<b>Target area</b>
Saturday	1100-1130	English	12040 kHz	90	China
Saturday	1130-1200	Japanese	11965 kHz	50	Japan
Saturday	1200-1230	English	11965 kHz	50	Japan
Saturday	1600-1630	South Indian languages	15390 kHz	90	India
Sunday	1600-1645	English	15390 kHz	90	India

The schedule for broadcasts in South Indian languages on Saturday at 1600-1630 is:

1st/3rd Sundays: Tamil, Malayalam and Kannada

2nd/4th Sundays: Tamil, Telugu and Hindi

5th Sunday: Tamil

## Federated States of Micronesia

### The Cross

The Cross is the radio station of Pacific Missionary Aviation. Their website says that the shortwave service "is currently down as we are awaiting an engineer and parts". Its assigned frequency is 4755 kHz.

## New Zealand

### Radio New Zealand

Radio New Zealand (Māori: Te Reo Irirangi o Aotearoa), commonly known as RNZ or Radio NZ, is a New Zealand public-service radio broadcaster and Crown entity that was established under the Radio New Zealand Act 1995. It operates news and current-affairs network, RNZ National, and a classical-music and jazz network, RNZ Concert, with full government funding from NZ On Air.

### International broadcasting on shortwave

#### RNZ Pacific

RNZ Pacific (formerly Radio New Zealand International) is a division of Radio New Zealand and the official international broadcasting station of New Zealand. It broadcasts a variety of news, current affairs and sport. The station's mission statement requires it to promote and reflect New Zealand in the Pacific and better relations with Pacific countries.

**Transmitter site:** Rangitaiki, Taupo District, Bay Of Plenty region of New Zealand's North Island.

Expect schedule changes from time to time to take account of propagation to the target audience.

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>DRM</b>	<b>Target area (as per RNZ Pacific)</b>
0659-0958	Mon-Fri	13755		Pacific
0659-0958	Daily	13755		Pacific
0959-1258	Mon-Fri	13755		Solomon Islands, PNG
0959-1258	Sat/Sun	13755		Pacific
1259-1650	Sun-Fri	7390		Pacific
1259-1658	Sat	7390		Pacific
1651-1758	Sun-Fri	11725	11690	Tonga, Samoa, Cook Islands
1651-1758	Sat	11725		Pacific
1759-1858	Sun-Fri	15720	13840	Pacific
1759-2158	Sat	15720		Pacific
1859-2058	Sun-Fri	15720	13840	Tonga, Samoa, Cook Islands
2059-0658	Daily	17675		Pacific

#### ABC Radio Australia and BBC programmes rebroadcast by RNZ Pacific

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Programme</b>	<b>kHz</b>
0600-0630	Mon-Fri	BBC World Service	17675
0800-0830	Mon-Fri	ABC Wantok	13755
1230-1258	Mon-Fri	ABC Wantok	13755
2210-2240	Mon-Thu	ABC Wantok	17675

Every month on the first Wednesday is Maintenance day at the transmitter site from 2230-0600 UTC. During this period there may be interruptions to RNZ Pacific programmes.

The latest frequency schedule for RNZ Pacific can be checked at [www.rnz.co.nz/international/listen](http://www.rnz.co.nz/international/listen)

## Norfolk Island

### Radio DX, Norfolk Island

A new licensed broadcast station "Radio DX" tested on **5045 kHz** with around 200 Watts during April 2022, and was heard by DXers in NZ, Australia and West Coast USA. The station has a licence authorising up to 1 kW from Australia's ACMA. It has been set up by Nick Hacko VK9DX who moved to Norfolk Island In October 2021. The station operates with occasional tests.

## Northern Mariana Islands

### USAGM Northern Marianas "Robert E Kamosa" Transmitting Station

The USAGM REKTS consisted of two sites located at Saipan and Tinian. It was operational until 28 July 2024, after which the two sites were closed.

## Palau

### Hope Radio

The shortwave station on the island of Palau was founded by George Otis Sr. of Highmark Ministries and later sold to LeSEA Broadcasting under the late Dr. Lester Sumrall's ministry. As of September 2020, Joe Perozich became the CEO of the station and established Hope Radio. Hope Radio broadcasts to South East Asia with a mission to preach the gospel in the most populated parts of the world.

**Angel 3:** website says "Reaching China, Philippines, Laos, Thailand, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Mongolia, Japan, Vietnam, Cambodia, Myanmar (Burma), Nepal, North Korea, South Korea"

**Transmitter site:** Medorm, Babeldaob Island.

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>kW</b>
0835-0905	Mon	English	9930	100
0850-1000	Tue-Fri	English	9930	100

Jose Jacob reports that the Hope Radio website says that tests in English are currently being conducted Monday-Friday on 9930 kHz at 1055-1200 UTC. Please see bottom of page at <https://www.hoperadio.net/angel3>

**Angel 4:** website says "Reaching South China, Laos, Myanmar, Nepal, Indonesia, Philippines, Bhutan, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, India, Malaysia, and Bangladesh".

**Transmitter site:** Medorm, Babeldaob Island.

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>kW</b>
0110-0230	Sat	English	15680	100
0110-0330	Sun	English	15680	100

**Angel 5:** website says "Reaching East China, Philippines, South Korea, Japan and North Korea"

**Transmitter site:** Medorm, Babeldaob Island.

<b>Time/UTC</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>kHz</b>	<b>kW</b>	<b>Note</b>
0807-0835	Mon	English	9965	100	transmitter switches to 9930 kHz at 0835 (see Angel 3 above)
0807-0850	Tue-Fri	English	9965	100	transmitter switches to 9930 kHz at 0850 (see Angel 3 above)
0810-1205	Sun	English	9965	100	
0840-1005	Sat	English	9965	100	

Thanks to Andy Lawendel and Jose Jacob for updates to this schedule.



e-QSL card received from Hope Radio by Jose Jacob for a reception report for tests heard on 2 January 2025 on 9930 kHz (Angel 3 transmitter).

## Papua New Guinea

### National Broadcasting Corporation

NBC is Papua New Guinea's state owned broadcaster. Its head office is in Boroko, Port Moresby, and has approximately 20 locations around the country.

### NBC Madang

Madang (old German name: Friedrich-Wilhelmshafen) is the capital of Madang Province on the north coast of Papua New Guinea. It was first settled by the Germans in the 19th century. NBC Madang on 3260 kHz (4 kW) is currently inactive.

### NBC Bougainville

Bougainville, officially the Autonomous Region of Bougainville, is an autonomous region in Papua New Guinea. The largest island is Bougainville Island, while the region also includes Buka Island and a number of outlying islands and atolls. The interim capital is Buka, though it is expected that major government services and buildings will be moved to Arawa, following reconstruction. NBC Bougainville on 3325 kHz (5 kW) is currently inactive.

### Wantok Radio Light

Wantok Radio Light is a radio station operated by Papua New Guinea Christian Broadcasting Network, a non-profit, non-commercial Christian ministry. They broadcast on 93.9 FM in Port Moresby, 105.9 FM in other provinces and on shortwave 7325 kHz (1 kW) throughout PNG and overseas, although the latter has been reported off-air due to a transmitter problem.

## Solomon Islands

### Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation

Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation (SIBC) is the official radio broadcaster of Solomon Islands. SIBC is self-defined as a public service broadcaster "which facilitates educational programs, recording and promotion of local music, and the unity of diverse cultures in a scattered island nation".

**Transmitter Site:** Honiara - 10 kW.

<i>Time/UTC</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Language</i>	<i>kHz</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1900-1200	Daily	Tok Pisin/English	5020	may continue past 1200 with back-to-back music
1200-1900	irregular	back-to-back music	5020	no announcements etc during this period

SIBC's other frequency of 9545 kHz has seemingly not been reported since March 2022 when it was heard by Ron Howard in California with a strong carrier, but no audio at all detected.

## Vanuatu

### Radio Vanuatu

Radio Vanuatu is operated by the state-owned Vanuatu Broadcasting and Television Corporation.

**Transmitter Site:** Emten Lagoon, Efate - 10 kW.

**Languages:** most programmes are in Bislama, with some English and French content as well.

**Times of operation:** Radio Vanuatu usually begins its daily transmission at approximately 1830 UTC (0530 local time) with 15 minutes or so of instrumental music, with the National Anthem at around 1845 followed by the opening announcement and the start of normal programming. Sign-off is at 1100v UTC (2200 local time)

**Frequencies:** 3945, 5040 (occasionally), 7260 and 9960 kHz; any one of these frequencies will be in use at any one time and the schedule is changed throughout the year to ensure best reception in Vanuatu.

Notes on Radio Vanuatu as heard by DXers & SW listeners can be found at <https://www.dxguides.info/p/shortwave.html>





# British DX Club

The British DX Club covers all aspects of broadcast DXing - from searching out distant or difficult-to-hear radio stations to listening to the major international broadcasters - on the shortwave, mediumwave and VHF/FM bands. We also have in-depth coverage of UK domestic radio developments as well as reports on alternative ways of listening to the radio such as through the internet and digital modes including DRM and DAB.

The club was founded in 1974 as the Twickenham DX Club and celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2024. From local roots came rapid expansion to become one of the major radio clubs in the United Kingdom. The more appropriate title of British DX Club was adopted in 1979. We now have a large UK-based membership as well as a substantial number of overseas members.

"Communication" is BDXC's monthly publication, typically of around 60 pages. The club is proud of the quick turnaround of "Communication" which is normally sent to members within a week of the contribution deadline each month. It is available by post as a handy A5 booklet, or by e-mail as a pdf file. Regular sections include:

- Logbooks - loggings sent in by members: Medium Wave Logbook (medium and long wave bands), Tropical Logbook (below 5.8 MHz), HF Logbook (5.8 to 30 MHz), "Beyond the Horizon" (FM and TV bands)
- DX News & Medium Wave Report: Developments in international broadcasting, frequency and transmission schedules, the exciting world of clandestine radio, listening tips, etc.
- UK News: Comprehensive roundup of UK broadcasting covering BBC, commercial and community radio, RSLs, Low Power AM stations, DAB, etc.
- Open to Discussion: BDXC's Mailbox - a forum for members to express opinions on radio-related topics.
- QSL Report: Reception confirmations received by members, plus tips on obtaining those elusive ones.
- Webwatch: a regular survey of web sites of interest to radio enthusiasts.
- Alternative Airwaves: Station logs and news about the ever-changing free radio scene.
- Broadcasts in English: A complete frequency-by-frequency guide to international broadcasts in English, in time order, including transmitter sites. Sent to members twice a year, usually in May and December, to cover the summer and winter schedule periods. It also includes a Guide to DX/Media Programmes.
- Other Regular and Occasional Sections: Collector's Corner; Meet the Members; Propagation Report; regional and holiday reports from members around the world; Spotlight on a Frequency; Radio history/vintage wireless features; station, book and receiver reviews and much more.

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