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Review of Domestic Broadcast Survey 11th Edition

September for active radio listeners, begins the DX season. High static levels are subsiding and the lure of hearing distant shortwave stations, return for the die-hards.

Just in time to begin your station quest, the Danish Shortwave Listener's Club International, a Danish radio club of experienced international DXers, have released their annual Domestic Broadcasting Survey, 11th edition.

Edited by Anker Petersen, Chairman, this excellent annual publication is divided into four parts. Part 1 begins with the Tropical Band Survey, covering all active broadcasting stations, listed by frequency from 2300-5700 kHz. Part 2 includes Domestic stations on international shortwave bands above 5700 kHz broadcasting to a domestic audience. Part 3 list all Active Clandestine shortwave stations with schedules and identifications. Part 4 is a compilation of deleted frequencies between 2 and 30 MHz which have not been reported by the listening shortwave audience during the past five years, but may possibly return. Part 1-3 also list the station identification, slogans if known, broadcast schedules, and any parallel frequencies heard.

As previous editions, the DBS is based upon numerous sources from hobbyist, DX bulletins and the current A09 frequency schedules when available. Throughout the year, hobbyist monitor thousands of frequencies to ensure the frequencies are listed accurately as A (Active "Regular"), B ("Irregular), C ("Sporadic") or D as "Likely Inactive."

The right column is called the "Last Log," that list the last month and year the station was heard prior to the DBS deadline, and ensures the audibility of the station.

All buyers of the DBS-11 will receive a username and password to the monthly updates on the tropical bands published as the Tropical Monitor posted at the club website www.dswci.org

The 35 page edition is available by email as a PDF format (about 452 kB). A limited number are available in printed format.

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The Domestic Broadcast Survey 11th edition remains an excellent source for hobbyist that follow closely the changing world of shortwave radio. This edition as well as previous ones, have been a part of my reference library and listening post for many years. I highly recommend it to DXers seeking the "extra edge" when it comes to current monitoring information. It remains an invaluable reference aid.