

**VARIOUS LOGGINGS FROM  
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**PIRATES DEN**  
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POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS / April 1984

WHOT, an FM pirate that was reported in last month's Pirates Den, is still on according to Al Spremo of New York. Al says he tuned in to 91.5 MHz and heard Jim Nasium and Hank Hayes playing tapes of programming from old pirates they used to run, including WILD (not to be confused with the legal WILD, 1090 in Boston).

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**WHOT**

"Dear Darren,

"I picked up an FM pirate station in the New York City area on Friday morning, Sept. 27, 1985, while hurricane Gloria was threatening the east coast. WHOT was on 91.5 MHz, playing musical oldies and professional sounding jingles, and taking phone calls on the air. This is also the frequency that legal, non-commercial station WNYE-FM uses. WHOT sometimes takes their frequency after they have signed off for the evening.

"The announcer claimed to be broadcasting somewhere in Brooklyn. Oddly enough, another New York pirate I heard several years ago, WFAT, also claimed to be broadcasting from Brooklyn. They used to operate on 1620 kHz. The announcer at WHOT, and that pirate's format sounds very much like the old WFAT.

"Martin Wishnewitz, NY"

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WHOT Dominic Benjamin, New Jersey, found WHOT on 1625 kHz from 0100 to 0600 GMT with hosts Jim Nasium and Pete Sake. The audience participated in the crime by calling the station and jesting with the jocks over the air. Listeners were promised that WHOT would pop up more frequently in 1986 than it did the previous year.

POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS / July 1986

**Brooklyn Pirate Radio** The pirate picture in Brooklyn is updated for us by Jeff Plotkin: WHOT is on every other Friday night til 8 a.m. Saturday. In addition, WHOT also uses 1625 (AM) Friday and Saturday nights taking telephone calls and QSL requests.

POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS / August 1986

WHOT was heard in late March by Larry Vogt in New York. The station was on 1,629 kHz from 0620 to 0730 and featured lots of oldies. Phone calls were invited to (718) 946-9748. Larry says the station told him they were using 50 watts and would QSL to anyone who called them.

POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS / September 1986

Promotional literature from WHOT supplied by Richard W. Gleitz in York, PA says that the station's studios and offices are in Brooklyn, NY and operations are on the unassigned frequency of 1620.5 kHz (the information sheet says "kilocycles") with an estimated power of 100 watts "emanating from the WHOT office building." They indicate coverage of "two countries and 19 states in two time zones and two provinces." The info sheet also says WHOT is "the largest underground broadcast facility on the East Coast." QSL card requests should be made during an actual test or broadcast. Otherwise they must be validated by a WHOT staff member. This can be accomplished by calling 1-718-946-9748 between 1700-0200-UTC. Richard heard WHOT on February 16 at 0614-0638 on 1625 and again on March 1 at 0650, this time closer to 1630 kHz.

POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS / November 1986

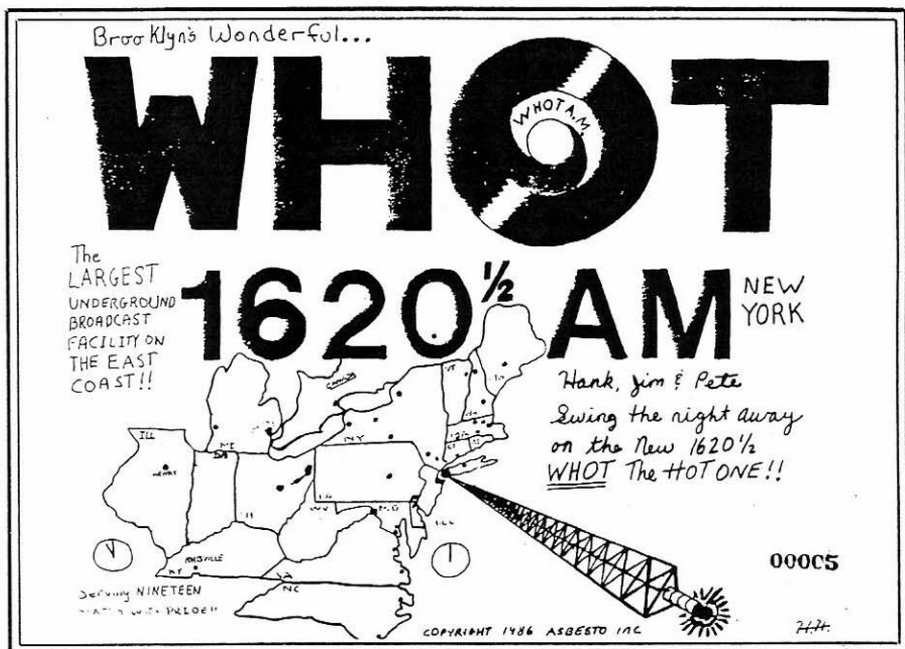
WHOT was logged by Joey Prego in Brooklyn, NY on 1620.5 on 23 May from 2100-0400 sign-off with a 50's rock format, taking phone requests and promising QSLs. Operators were Jim Nasium, Hank Hayes and Pete Sake. Joey says WHOT was his first pirate logging. Jim Buchanan in Shrewsbury, MA had them from 0126-0259 sign-off.

POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS / February 1987

WHOT in the New York City area was heard by Robert Voss in Ontario on September 1 at 0357 on 1628 kHz with oldies. Joe Wosik in Illinois had them at 0545 on 1627.

POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS / June 1987

WHOT in Brooklyn, NY was heard by Robert C. Olsen, Jr. during a heavy snowfall, from 0628 to 1003 on 23 January on 1620.5, but also announcing 91.5 FM stereo, which Robert could not hear. The program consisted of music oldies of the 50's and 60's. Robert made contact with one of the operators who noted they had a long list of QSL requests and that they would try to QSL to callers when funds permitted. The operator said the best time to listen for the station was during heavy snows.



WHOT's large QSL card was received by Richard W. Gleitz.