

NEWSLETTER ECHUCA MOAMA COMMUNITY RADIO EMFM 104.7 JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021

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JOHN VINCENT

Graeme Stevens, Shaun Pritchard (from Broadcast Components) and I are currently looking at the latest state-of-the-art broadcasting equipment to install in our new studios that should be built by February 2022. We also need purpose built recording desks, phone systems, monitors and furniture.

This will be a busy year. We need to organise the relocation of our antenna, and source and purchase equipment to coincide with the completion of the building.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome back for 2021. Last year was a difficult year for everyone. Four of our presenters chose not to come into the studio. The office was closed and Wayne, our Office/Admin person, worked from home. The Program Committee sourced recorded programs to take the place of some of these announcers. Sarah Varcoe was able to record her program at 1FM Shepp, and is continuing to do so. I will continue to record my Rockabilly Program at home. The funding for Wayne has



run out. We'd like to thank him for all he did while he was employed by EMFM. John presented Wayne with a gift.

Due to staffing changes, our office will remain closed in 2021. Visits can be arranged by appointment, using our contact details. **Rob Kemp.**



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COVID 20/21 Hand Sanitiser. Perspex Screen (thanks Roger Peake) Anti-bacterial Wipes



Jenny Mustey talking about the Library on Ron's Out and About program 10am Friday.

Also talking to Ron (8/1/21) were **Chris Bilkey** and **Scott Barber** from Moama Council and newly elected Campaspe Shire Mayor, Chrissie Weller.



DAVE HOLLAMBY is now uploading recorded programs for Sarah and Rob and other recorded programs called PDS's. He is taking over some of the technical duties previously done by Wayne. We really appreciate you joining our team, Dave.



PRESENTER TRAINING:

JACEY: Jacey spent 25 years in Community Radio in the Yarra Valley. She retired from radio and began organising her move to Echuca with her husband, Giovanni. But in November 2016 she had a stroke, which caused a loss of speech. She has been working hard to get her speech back. Last year she began

training as a Presenter at EMFM, working weekly with Jimbo, Roger and Maree. She learnt how to use the desk again and re-learned all the skills that used to come so easily to her.

Four programs were recorded, edited by Roger, they went to air each week on a Tuesday night.

Slowly her speech was improving.

A few weeks ago she went live to air from 11am - 12pm on Friday, after Ron's Out and About. We were all so proud of her. This week she will be on air for 2 hours. So tune into " On With Jacey" from 11am - 1.00pm each Friday and be amazed at what she has achieved.

DOT HAMMOND is busy training and has recorded 5 programs that will go to air shortly. More on Dot next issue.

AIDEN LIAS has also begun training. He is a student at Moama Grammar.

GARDENING WITH VAL- 9am Thursdays. Jan/Feb is not a good time for the garden, however, this year we have had more than our share of rain and it has been cool. This is always a good time for garden maintenance - like making sure your watering systems working well and your garden mulched so your garden beds are ready for Autumn plantings.

As it has been a wet summer you will be able to do your Autumn planting earlier. Plant your bulbs in early March and your new Autumn and Winter seedlings were in stores by the end of February.

Remember that your Sweet Peas and Veggie Peas should be planted on St. Patrick's Day, 17th March. Happy gardening. Val.



STEPS Alan Sizeland

Jimbo's Breaky Program (21/1/21). Health Care Card holders can access services including Chiropractic, Haircuts, Massage, Foot care, Bowen Therapy, Reiki and Podiatry referral. All services are provided free on Wed, Thurs, Fri at Echuca Moama Uniting Church



from 10am -1pm by appointment. 54802357.



Ellie -"An Afternoon with Ellie" and "Jazz Giants". Two themed programs were: Australia Day (25/1) and International Women's Day (8/3)

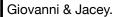
WHEEL MUSIC with Chris Campbell - 4pm Saturdays. Chris's themes for Jan/Feb included: New Years, Back To School (work, border restrictions, to the future), All In This Together, Australia Day - Aussie Classics, School Started, Start, Five More Days of Lockdown, Moving, Water - (after a day at the river).

March started with Mushroom - a two hour special acknowledging the work of Michael Gudinski (dec).

Favourite mushroom joke was: Every cloud has a silver lining, unless it's a mushroom cloud, then it's most likely strontium!









Dot concentrating -Jimbo assisting.



OB's soon? Hope so.