



# NEWSLETTER

## ECHUCA MOAMA COMMUNITY RADIO

EMFM 104.7  
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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** The new office bearers were elected at the Board Meeting on January 6th, the first Board Meeting after the AGM on 2nd December, as set out in our constitution. Rob Kemp has retired as

president and I was elected to take his place. Thank you Rob, for your time as president. Val Ellis, a long term member of EMFM, was elected as Vice President. Maree stepped down as Secretary and Dot Hammond was elected. John Vincent remained as Treasurer.

Other roles on the board are: Tech - Paul Napier, Training & Programs - Roger Peake, Sponsorship - John Vincent, Grants - Maree Harris & Outside Broadcasts - Chris Campbell.

I would like to acknowledge all the work done by the previous Presidents and their boards, and plan to build on their success during my time as president.

It is important to reflect on what our radio station has achieved over the last 5 years. We have seen our membership grow from in the 20's, to 100. Under the watchful eye of Roger Peake our program has become full, varied and very well received. We have added new presenters, and each day we have live programs with local content going to air. During March we will be moving into our new purpose built studios in the Echuca East Community Complex. With the hard work of John Vincent & Graeme Stevens - ably supported by Paul Napier - we will have all new digital equipment. The future is looking great. Jim.



**JOHN VINCENT - Equipment:** Very soon now our new digital studio equipment will arrive for installation some time in March. This new equipment will bring EMFM into the digital age.

**Outside Broadcasts:** They been difficult to organise during the last couple of years and we all know why that is. This year will be different. Already we have been offered centre stage at the Moama Markets, when they operate. In March this year you will see a BIG Outside Broadcast in Rochester for their Mural Festival. If you see us out & about, come over & say Hi.

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Due to Covid we were unable to move to our new building in February as planned. Hopefully March will see us begin our move.

## DISCOVER ECHUCA MOAMA DAY AT ECHUCA LIBRARY - Sat 19th March 10am - 1pm.

Local community groups are invited to “The Echuca Moama Discovery Day” at Campaspe Library, Echuca. (Formally the *Welcome to Echuca Night* held in 2019).

The day will be held on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March from 10am-1pm, at the Campaspe Library, Echuca at 310 Hare Street.** Due to COVID, this year we will be utilising the outdoor lawn area in front of the library for the group displays along with the indoor space.

This is a great chance for community group representatives to promote their group to all residents of Echuca Moama and to those who have recently moved here, retired or those looking to be more involved with their community.

The last event, held in April 2019, was an overwhelming success with 586 people browsing and engaging with 56 community groups and clubs.

The morning offers the public the chance to have an informal chat with group members and receive some information about their meetings, activities and events.

A free sausage sizzle with tea and coffee will be available on the day.

Not for profit groups and clubs based in Echuca Moama are encouraged to bring one or two representatives along on the day, with any promotional material for their display. Interactive displays are welcome.

Wendy O’Hara - Shire of Campaspe.

NOTE: EMFM will be there.



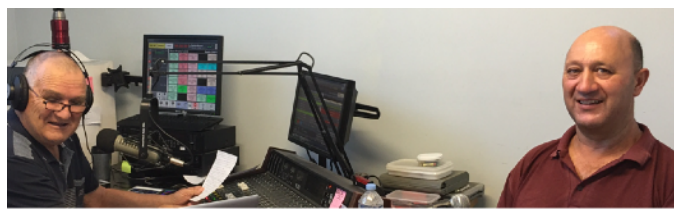
Photos from the Library “**Welcome to Echuca Day**” in 2019. EMFM 104.7 were there in 2019 and will be at the “Discover Echuca Moama Day” on Sat 19th March in 2022.



Below: Paul Napier: Masks on - masks off. Changing rules.



**Photos show** Ron Wood, Ellie Wallace & Rob Kemp, Ellie, Rob Kemp & John Vincent from EMFM and representatives from Vivid and the Men’s Shed.







## VAL'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Thursday 9am - 10am.

Hi to all you fellow gardeners. It is a very hard time for our lovely gardens and about all you can do is keep up the water and make sure that you have mulched them well. It is also a good time of the year to get control of the weeds in your garden. Weeds in your lawn can be easily dug out. Using a weeder-feeder at this time of year is not recommended, as feeding your lawn in the summer can burn the grass. Do not forget the birds and small animals, as they need water when the weather is hot and dry.

If you have pumpkins growing in your garden and you are not sure if they are ready to pick, look at their stems and if they have started to wither then the pumpkins should be ready to use. If you have lots of pumpkins and you want them to keep them over winter, let them lie in the garden until they have a frost on them. This will harden the shell and help to keep them over the winter.

Would you like to plant a small tree in your garden? Then how about a crepe myrtle from the Magic Series of Crepe Myrtle. They have beautiful dark black leaves with beautiful bright red, pink or candy coloured flowers and grow about 3 metres tall. A very lovely small tree.

I look forward to the Autumn and the cooler days, and being able to plant out spring growing flowers and bulbs. Enjoy your garden. Val

Planning to make & paint broadcasting desks for new studio. Below: Painted.



## OUR PRESENTERS



Students doing the Nutbush at our Outside Broadcast at the Moama Market. 13/02/22



Lawn going in at the Echuca East Community Precinct. Nearly ready!



**PROGRAM REPORT - ROGER PEAKE.** If you check out our latest Program Guide, you will see some additions.

“The Seventies from Go to Whoa” looks at the new music that came out during the Seventies in chronological order, with a nod to the events of the day. You can hear it at 1pm on Tuesdays after “A Breath of Fresh Air”, or at 4am on Wednesdays after “Steve James’ Blues Café”. On Saturdays, tune in at 11am for “The 80s Mixtape with DJ Sassy”, which is repeated at 4am Sundays.

We hope that you will enjoy these two new shows. “Raised On Rock” (Tuesdays, 9pm or Mondays, 4am) and “Tracking The Decades” (Sundays, 12 noon) are both relatively new to Radio EMFM, so tune in to those if you are yet to try them.

“On Air with Jacey” is in recess for the moment due to the ill health of the presenter, and we send Jacey our best wishes.

In the coming weeks we will be transferring our operations to the new studios in the EchucaEast Community Centre. While we will endeavour to make our transition as seamless as possible, please bear with us should any temporary glitches occur from time to time during this period.

### **Out & About - Friday Program -10am - Ron Wood**

**First Friday in Month - Campaspe Shire**

**Second Friday in Month -Murray River Council**

**Third Friday in Month - Library Bytes - Echuca Library - Jenny Mustey**

**Fourth Friday in Month - Victoria Police - 11am Echuca Lions Club**

**Fifth Friday in Month - Echuca Neighbourhood House - Sarah Peake**

**Any Extras interviews - 11am Fridays**



**Top:** Jenny Mustey from the Echuca Library talks with Ron on the 3rd Friday in the month. **Left:** Tony Marwood - Campaspe Shire, & Ron. **Right:** Ron, Chris Bilkey & Terry Dodds - Murray River Council.

**You need to be double vaxxed to be in the EMFM 104.7 studios.**

