



NEWSLETTER

ECHUCA MOAMA COMMUNITY RADIO

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT Hi Folks

Well, we are now into the Festive Season, I hope that we are all well and safe. My thoughts of this year, unlike last Christmas, when people were only legally permitted to gather with

family and friends for one day over Christmas, the rules are much more relaxed. We are all looking for peace right now, in the midst of turbulent times. While 2020 brought with it the challenge of a global pandemic, it was incredibly uplifting to see people standing together in unity, encouraging and supporting each other. We ended that year with a sense of hope, and the assumption that 2021 would be a smooth path forward. However, things took an unexpected turn and sadly, this past year has been marked with divided opinions and tensions, bringing separation and segregation.

May this festive season sparkle and shine, may all of your wishes and dreams come true, and may you feel this happiness all year round. Merry Christmas to all our members.

This is my last Report due to my medical condition (Cancer). I have retired from the Presidency and the Board, after 15 years. But I will still be a presenter with Radio EMFM.

Thanks to everyone for your support.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year in 2022.

Rob Kemp. Retired President.



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LIFE MEMBER:

Rob Kemp was awarded a Life Membership at the 2020/2021 Annual General Meeting on Thursday 2nd December in appreciation of his 15 years as a Board Member of EMFM, and for his commitment to Community Radio. Congratulations! Rob will continue recording his program "Rockabilly Rob".



MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Board of Management would like to wish all the presenters, members, sponsors and listeners a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

OUTSIDE BROADCAST AT THE ECHUCA MOAMA UNITING CHURCH FAIR - SATURDAY 30TH OCTOBER. 9AM - NOON. Covid restrictions had eased and we could finally have an Outside Broadcast, and what a very successful broadcast it was. Our new OB gear worked perfectly under the expert eye of Chris Campbell and the OB Committee - John Vincent, Jim Harris and Rob Kemp. The organisation by Anne Peace, John Ferris and the Fair Committee at the Uniting Church was excellent. We had some interesting interviews and everyone enjoyed the music. Such a beautiful place for an OB. So great to get out into the community again! Here are some of the photos below.



Marquee at Uniting Church. Town Crier Judy Campbell with Roger. Ellie & Ron. Roger with the Berick Family. John - orange hat & slacks. Rev Michelle Lees with Margaret Murray. Peter White, Anne Peace & Rev Michelle Lees on the church steps. John Vincent with hat.





"Bird's Nest with Laurelin" is now in its eighth week on air. The reception from the community, family and friends has been fantastic (thankfully), and I am thoroughly enjoying my time planning shows, recording shows, and hearing them come to life on air. The show's title, "Bird's Nest with Laurelin", is a play on my family name, and a tribute to my late father, who you'll hear me refer to as 'my dad, the muso'.

Dad had a vinyl and CD collection that would be the envy of any music lover. He loved music of all genres, and brought us up to have a healthy appreciation for a broad range of music.

Whilst the name of the show is dedicated to my dad, the form of the show is simply music that I enjoy, coupled with my own personal stories relating to the songs, and/or interesting facts about the song and artist. It won't be uncommon to journey around multiple decades in one show, and multiple genres, keeping things interesting for the listeners, I'm sure!

I welcome feedback, and would love to hear of any improvements I can make, so I can continue delivering a program I'm proud of, that can be an enjoyable hour for our community and beyond. You can follow 'Bird's Nest with Laurelin' on Facebook at www.facebook.com/BirdsNestWithLaurelin.

Thanks for listening and **Merry Christmas** to you all.

MERRY CHRISTMAS from the presenters at EMFM.



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

CHRIS MOOR has been with us for a short time and was just settling into his program "Moor Better Music" when he found he has to move on for more adventures elsewhere. Thank you for the time you spent as a presenter at EMFM. We hope you can come back one day .



John Harvie and Jack Bond from Murray Shire Council talking to Ron on "Out & About".

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (2020/2021) - was held on 2nd December at Mercure Port of Echuca. 24 people attended and it was very successful. John Vincent presented the Treasurer's Report. He thanked Brent Turner for his help during the year and Daryl Scott for conducting a very thorough Audit. Each year four of the eight board members are up for re-election. Paul Napier, Roger Peake and John Vincent renominated for their positions and Chris Campbell was nominated to take the place of retiring board member, Rob Kemp. Therefore no election was needed. The executive positions will be elected at the next board meeting in January.



A special thank you to those who attended our AGM. Attendees included: Bruce Glasson & Myrle Clancy, Ron Wood & Peter Mayes, Lena Vicary and Paul Napier (below).



Jim Harris, Ellie Wallace, Roger Peake & Laurelin Berick.
Sharon Beasley, Dot Hammond, Greg Staynes & Chris Moor.



Giovanni Muscatello, Chris Moor & Jacey Muscatello.

Sue & Terry James.





GARDENING WITH VAL- 9am Thursdays.

To all who listen to Val's Garden Program each Thursday I wish you a very Merry Christmas. May you all have a wonderful family time. I will be spending Christmas with my family, both young and old. It will be good to see my granddaughters, who have been

interstate for the past year. It will be good to welcome in a New Year and may 2022 be good to us all. I am looking forward to being with you all next year to tell you about the wonderful things that you can do in your garden. The garden has been good for me this past year. It has been a great form of enjoyment and we had baby birds born in our backyard. We have been able to watch Eastern Honeyeaters, Blackbirds and Topknot Pigeons teach their young how to fly, something Brian and I have not seen in our garden before. To all, Blessings and good health for 2022.
Val.



CHRIS CAMPBELL - We'd like to thank Chris for presenting 150 programs of "Wheel Music" at 4pm on Saturdays. Unfortunately Chris is retiring as a presenter but he has been elected onto the board and will also remain an important part of our Outside Broadcast Team.



PROGRAM REPORT - Roger Peake. This month has seen new shows, programme changes and the return of an old friend. Jacey is back with "On Air With Jacey" at a new time, 10am on Tuesdays. "A Breath of Fresh Air" with Sandy Kaye now follows Jacey at 12 noon. At 1pm you might have heard "Moor Better Music", but unfortunately for us Chris, the presenter of this show, has decided to leave Echuca.

"The Baby Boomers' Guide to the 21st Century" now follows "Potpourri" at 1pm on Thursdays. And have you checked out "Tracking The Decades" at 12 noon on Sundays yet? Laurelin has been busy recording special "Bird's Nest" shows to go to air Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve at 12 noon (both repeated at 8pm the following Tuesday): a great opportunity for some early celebrating!

Keeping the Joy & Pejay tradition alive, we have plans for a live show from 11am to 1pm on Christmas Day.

Jimbo and Roger will again be looking back at the stars who died during the year: listen out and keep an eye on our Facebook page for more details on those two.



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



ECHUCA EAST COMMUNITY PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT -doors & windows going in.



HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

