



NEWSLETTER

ECHUCA MOAMA COMMUNITY RADIO

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT. We have all been dealing with the floods, which have caused so much damage to our shire. In Rochester very few homes escaped the deluge. We feel very sorry for all the residents as they band together to re-build their town.

Whether you've been helping neighbours evacuate, sandbagging, or giving your time to feed the volunteers, we've all been affected by the floods. The rivers are still very high, but slowly going down. We are all looking forward to the rivers going back to normal again soon.

We'd like to thank Roger Peake for broadcasting and publishing daily EMFM Flood Updates and Maree Harris for posting information on Facebook.

Our AGM is now on the 27th September at 2pm at the Echuca East Community Complex, 56 Sutton Street. It would be great to see you all there.

Jim Harris

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Above: Visitors Centre from old bridge.



Below: Barriers behind the Echuca Hotel.

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ROGER PEAKE - TRAINING AND PROGRAMS.



We have had a busy few months, with a number of new presenters going to air. In the past few months we have welcomed Roger Kirchhofer ("Kirky's Hits & Memories", 8am Mondays); Adair Winder ("Feel Good Tunes", 6pm Mondays); Val Horne ("Mix It Up", 10am, Tuesdays); Chris Moor ("Moor Better Music", 2pm Tuesdays); Andrew Cameron ("Road Less Travelled", 5pm, Tuesdays). For two of these, it's actually welcome back to the airwaves, as Chris Moor has returned to Radio EMFM after a brief sea change, and Andrew Cameron has had previous community radio experience in the Yarra Valley. If you haven't tuned in to these new shows, listen out for them in the next few weeks and see what you think.

Radio EMFM has been broadcasting updates with flood information during the recent floods, and publishing reports on our Facebook page with links to the websites of relevant organisations. We hope our listeners have found these updates useful. In addition, presenters have been providing this information and other community service announcements (CSA's) with regard to events and cancellations in the course of the normal programs.



Saving the old historic library building. Luckily the levees held and the water didn't come up to it.



Campaspe Esplanade looking south to Ogilvie Avenue. Luckily there is no water over the road now and flooded residents have time to clean out their homes.



Left: The Campaspe River behind the Echuca Hotel



Maccas: "Do you want sandbags with that?"



VAL'S GARDENING PROGRAM

La Nina looks like it is here until the end of the year, so our gardens will be wet for a little longer.

Mosquitoes will be a problem over the summer months. The best way for you to keep the breeding of the mozzie down is to make sure that you do not have pockets of water lying around. Empty any containers around and clean up any puddles. Put a drop of oil on the top of your water containers, this puts a film on the water and stops any breeding.

Water- logged soil is a problem and it needs to dry out before replanting. To help your soil regain its goodness, compost and coarse organic material will help with the breakdown of the clay soil which we have in this area.

Water- logged soil can become acidic. To overcome this, add a hand full of garden lime to a square metre and dig in. Blood and Bone or animal manure will help to bring the soil back to life.

Sounds very like we should be thinking about our garden for March & April planting. The summer months will be for repairing the soil, and planting for a spring flower garden for 2023

Our gardens, shrubs and trees will be all right just as long as the water does not stay up for a long period of time.

Keep safe, thanks for tuning in to radio EMFM 104.7 Your Gardening Lady. Val

OUR PRESENTERS



OUR IN-HOUSE TECHNICAL TEAM



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KERFORD STREET SANDBAGGING STATION

What a wonderful community spirit was evident here. Hundreds of people turned up each day, each intent on doing their best for their town. Cars lined up and patiently moved up until they reached the sandbagging station.

Forklifts carries pallets of sand bags and the ADF helped load them. Cafes & clubs from around town donated food & drinks and 1000's of bags were filled. Thankyou to everyone who were involved.

PHOTOS FROM OUR MORNING TEA - OPEN DAY - SEPTEMBER 8TH
10.30AM - 11.30 AM it was very successful and over 30 people attended. Our next social event will be the AGM on the 27th November. If you missed the Open Day come along to the AGM and meet the presenters and see the new building.





DEFIBRILLATOR - donated by George Santos is located on the left of the main door at the Echuca East Community Precinct building. When needed, ring 000 to get the number for the combination lock.



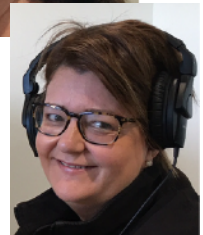
INTERVIEWS: We have a lot of guests on Ron's & Jim's programs. Here are some:

Below: Liz Dellar Foundry Arts & John Blair "Come & Try Bowls"

Opposite: Lou Conway Echuca Moama Photograph Club.



Below:
Rick Szakier-
Tongala Car
& Bike
Show.



Kath Formica
ERH
Bereavement
Service.

Tara - "Day For Dale"

Thankyou to our newest presenters Adair Winder, Andy Cameron & Roger Kirchhofer. They have all been working very hard. Below: Adair Winder's day job is reporter on the Riv Herald & her program is called "Feel Good Tunes". Due to work commitments Adair prefers to record her program each week.



Above: Roger Kirchhofer "Kirky".
Left: Andrew Cameron "Andy".

AWARDS



JOHN VINCENT flew to Cairns to attend the Community Broadcasting Association of Australia (CBAA) Annual Conference on the 28th & 29th October. This is a good way for our station to keep up with what is happening in Community Radio. We were one of the 6 finalists for the Outstanding Small Radio Station Award. Newly opened Denmark FM in WA were the lucky winners. We'd like to congratulate Denmark FM.

We were nominated for two Victorian Community Achievement Awards for Group and Service. The winners will be announced on Nov 11th, but we are not among the finalists.



Above Left: Mayor Chrissy Weller giving a community flood update with Dot.

Right: Chris Bilkey.

Left: Acting Sgt Shelley Parker & Sen Sgt Mick Carroll.

Out & About - Friday Program 10am - Ron Wood

First Friday in Month - Campaspe Shire

Second - Murray River Council

Third - Library Bytes - Echuca Library - Jenny Mustey

Fourth - Victoria Police - 11am Echuca Lions Club

Fifth - Echuca Neighbourhood House - Sarah Peake

Any Extras interviews - 11am Fridays



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - AGM.

The AGM has been charged from the 6th November to the 27th November, 2pm in the Echuca East Community Complex 56 Sutton Street Echuca. Come & meet the presenters. RSVP at info@radioemfm.org.au or Dot 0408505662

If you'd like to be a presenter contact us on info@radioemfm.org.au

