



NEWSLETTER

ECHUCA MOAMA COMMUNITY RADIO

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Jim Harris

We would like to invite everyone to attend our Annual General Meeting on Sunday 24th September at 2pm at the Echuca East Community Centre, 56 Sutton Street. Come along and help celebrate the successful year we have had. We have 14 presenters at the moment and you will be able to meet and talk to them. There'll be afternoon tea and a time to socialise after the short meeting.



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We have been working with a group of students from St Joseph's College. They have been completing a unit of work with us and hopefully their recorded programs will be put to air at a later date. Watch our Facebook page for the dates and time. Jim.

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WINTER BLUES FESTIVAL Outside Broadcast. This is the first time EMFM has attended the Festival in recent years. Thanks to everyone who made it such a successful OB.



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John Vincent	2022
Ron Wood	2020
Di Richmond	2015
Karin Jenner	2003
Doug Crow	1996
Rob Kemp-Dec	2021
Fred Every-Dec	2007
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PRESENTERS' NEWS



DOT HAMMOND

Mondayitis appears to have got hold of our presenters, Jimbo, Roger P, Kirky and Andy (The Road Less Travelled) they are all taking some time out and some have just returned... Meanwhile my Mondayitis program rolls along at 10am Monday as does Dot's Treasures 3pm Tuesdays. And since the new year, I have had a program playing new music that comes into the studio. First though, I choose what may suit our programming, then I load it onto our automatic system to play on rotation. Then on Wednesdays at 3pm I play Today's New Music. I find it very interesting - the genres/styles of these songs coming from all over - quite a lot of Aussie singers, many of them country, but also from Germany, Jamaica, France and of course USA and UK.

It would be great to get more local songsters onto our system which can be done if you email: info@radioemfm.org.au and send an MP3 copy of your song. Remember to check all your lyrics for suitability for community radio (read the Codes of Practice on our website). But, don't be disappointed if we don't play it as it may not suit our programming needs.

KAZ'S KELTIC KOUNTRY 2PM - 3PM THURSDAYS

Kazz's Keltic Kountry had its first interview with Warren Kearney, on the release of his song "Road Beneath My Wheels". Warren is a country Musician from Nanango QLD. This song is doing extremely well in radio charts. I have been extremely busy with new song releases from Ireland and Australia.

I don't have enough time to air them all.

I thought I had heard every title to a country song. No way. The rooster, let's say he was extremely busy on the farm. The Mullet, that will be played next week, August 24th. And this one was extremely funny - "Hare Today Gone Tomorrow". About a farmer neighbour who was extremely helpful until his neighbour returns. That will be played on August 24th program too.

Lovely to assist St Joseph's students with radio training. I said, "as you fade the song out, you can start talking". The young man said, "Ohhh, they did that a lot years ago, when people taped songs to get the words". Yes, we all remember those times. Kids are so smart.

Keep it country and always remember to smile as some will catch it and smile back. Cheers KKK.



Left: These are some of the young students who took part in the Blues Songwriters Studio at EMFM during July. Dot Hammond is working with them.



Arielle Dolan - We are very proud of our youngest presenter, Arielle. She is able to manage studying for her VCE as well as present a 2 hour radio program from 4pm - 6pm on Fridays. Don't miss it!



VAL'S GARDENING PROGRAM Thursday
 9am-10am. Spring is coming, August is nearly over and September is close. Spring is the perfect time to start your summer garden with both veggies and flowers. It is also a very good time for the weeds to grow, so get rid of the weeds first. Pull them out and GREEN Bin them, if they have any size to them. If they are small, just pull them out and let them die on the ground. They will die very quickly, then dig them into the soil as they make good soil fertilizer.

Prepare your soil as it has been a very wet winter and the goodness has been washed from your garden soil. Dig in compost and manure, then you are right to go. Vegetables for spring planting are tomatoes eggplants, capsicum, lettuce, pumpkin, zucchini, sweet basil & parsley. Flowers for our area are petunias, marigolds, portulaca. ageratum, phlox, bedding begonias and many more.

Enjoy your garden and the pleasure which you can get from it. Happy spring gardening, Val.



Graham Hodgson - Hoddo's Hot Hits - Fridays at 3pm

Having recently retired as a chiropractor, and along the way a racehorse trainer, a trivia teammate of mine suggested I should look at perhaps doing a local

community radio gig. Not without some reticence, I eventually made my way to the studios of EMFM 104.7 and was very impressed by the quality of the facilities and the helpfulness of the people involved.

My taste in music is fairly mixed and I have, I guess, a slight penchant for the unusual. No matter what age group you fit, there are always songs from each generation that you come to appreciate.

Incorporating trivia in the show was inevitable given the circumstances that led me to this involvement. I hope you enjoy my program.

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CHRIS MOOR - MOOR BETTER MUSIC 1pm - 3pm Tuesday. Well I finally made it to an Outside Broadcast at the Winter Blues Festival and thoroughly enjoyed it. I also came up with a brilliant idea - get a caravan for OB's so that we can travel in style and keep out of the cold/heat! The opportunities for future OB's will be limitless when this project is completed (we might even have customers willing to pay for our services - wedding, parties, political rallies, anything).

Three presenters including myself have signed on for the Adelaide CBAA conference in November which should be interesting.

Another music identity dies last week with Sixto Rodriguez falling off the perch at 81 years. I did get to see him in concert about six or seven years ago and have the two famous albums on CD - those albums were quite brilliant, originally coming out in 1970/71 but which took about forty years before sales took off - it is an interesting story so look it up.

I played a few tracks from Rodriguez' "Coming From Reality" album this week on Moor Better Music but I am sure I don't need to tell you as you were all listening.

PROGRAMS & TRAINING - ROGER PEAKE



Have you caught up with all our schedule changes that took effect at the middle of July? There is a variety of reasons for these: some presenters have asked to extend their shows, we are always trying to limit the amount of "On Air Music" in our schedule, and in the case of "The Baby Boomers' Guide to the 21st Century" the new series has episodes that run well over 60 minutes.

Instead of cutting the content, we have opted to air "Baby Boomers' Guide" at 11am on Sundays so that you can hear all episodes in their entirety. Did you know that if you happen to miss an episode, or want to hear it again, you can go to the show's website (babyboomersguide.com.au) and listen to it there?

There have been no changes to our schedules for Mondays and Wednesdays. On Tuesdays, "Feel Good Tunes" and "Laurelin's Bird's Nest" have come to the end of their run, at least for the time being, and "The Australian Country Songwriters' Show" has moved to Tuesday evenings. "Hoddo's Hot Hits" has moved to Fridays as we are keeping Wednesday afternoons for programmes prepared by students from local schools.

"Tracking the Decades" has moved to Fridays so that you can listen while you lunch, with "If That Ain't Country" moving to Saturday afternoons. "Jampakt" finished its run some time ago, and there has been some slight rearrangement of other weekend programmes.

Don't forget that you can always find our current Program Guide at the top of our Facebook page (you'll need to click twice for it to appear) or on our website (www.radioemfm.org.au).

WORKING BEES July & August



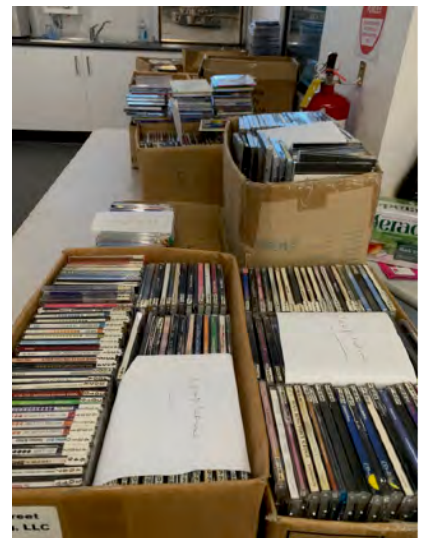
A Working Bee was held on July 22nd to move all the old equipment from our recording room to our storage shed at Echuca Mini Storage. Then we brought back all the CD's that have been stored there over the years.

A second Working Bee was held on August 19th to put together the CD shelves and to sort the CD's. Thanks to everyone who attended these working bees.

Above: Caroline & Craig Vale with Tony Lawler at the first working bee. Caroline made morning tea for everyone which was delicious. Thanks Caroline.



Above: John, Paul & Graham assembling the shelves. Looks like Paul is "phoning a friend".



Above: Volunteers managed to sort a lot of the CD's into categories ready to be put on the new shelves. There's still more to do.

Left: Paul Napier putting up some of the CD shelves.



Left: There were quite a few sharp edges on our new building. It's great to see the Shire has gone around and covered them with a protective covering.

FYI: Can you see the new EMFM sticker that has been put on the east wall of the recording room? Thanks to Chris Campbell for organising our new sticker.

INTERVIEWEES WITH RON OR JIMBO ON EMFM.



Left: 11/8/23. Ron is about to interview Brian Holmes, Manager of Waste & Compliance, Murray River Council. Ron interviews a Murray River Councillor on the second Friday of the month at 10am.



Right: 22/8/23 Jimbo with Beryl Marshall talking about the closure of the Echuca Moama Visitors Centre. This is an issue that is concerning a lot of the community. Beryl says we are a tourist district and we need to have a Visitor's Centre.



Left: RON WOOD grows beautiful orchids and you can find some in our studio at the moment. They're on our sign in table.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: If you're not sure where to come on Sunday 24th September, just follow this arrow. There's plenty of parking and we're looking forward to seeing you. Bring all your friends.

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 extra interviews - 11am Fridays



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