



NEWSLETTER

ECHUCA MOAMA COMMUNITY RADIO

EMFM 104.7
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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2PM AT THE STUDIOS.**



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Roger Peake

I am writing this as thunder rumbles outside, a sign that winter has not decided to move off just yet. The calendar tells us, however, that Spring is on its way. We are delighted to be welcoming back some familiar voices to our microphone as presenters who headed off to work on their tans return to our studio.

My thanks to all those who have taken on extra shifts in the last month or so, especially Kirky, Val and Dot who have forced themselves out of bed on cold mornings to start your day with the breakfast show.



Paul Napier installing the transmitter with Alistair Reynolds.



Our volunteers have also been busy behind the scenes: my thanks to Paul Napier, Graeme Stevens and John Vincent for their time and effort in upgrading our transmitter. Hopefully you have noticed an improvement in our broadcast signal of late. Paul and John have also been busy replacing and fine tuning the CCTV cameras that protect our property.

Our most recent outside broadcast was from the Winter Blues Festival performances at Hopwood Gardens on the last Saturday and Sunday of July. I hope that you enjoyed our broadcast and the chats our presenters had with the artists at the end of their sets. We will be out and about again soon.

Look for us at the Moama Market on September 14, in Hopwood Gardens on October 25, and also at the Echuca Show on Saturday November 8.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT Continued

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held at the studios on Sunday September 28 at 2pm. It is an opportunity to have a look at our studios if you have not already done so, to have a chat with our presenters and with other members, and to enjoy the afternoon tea, as well, of course, as hearing reports on what has been happening at Radio EMFM in the past twelve months.

I look forward to seeing you there. Members should get an email about the AGM shortly. Keep enjoying the good times of Radio EMFM 104.7.
Best Wishes, Roger.

WINTER BLUES FESTIVAL 26TH & 27TH JULY 2025

After his gig in Hopwood Gardens on Sunday 27 July, Nathan Cavaleri had a chat with Bruce "Chappie" Chapman - under the watchful eye of Station Manager John Vincent!



Right: Kane Dennelly (pictured with Roger Peake) is from 19Twenty. They played at the Winter Blues Festival and his interview with Dot Hammond is on our website.



Right: John Challis presenting the fundraising raffle prize guitar to John Vincent. Congratulations John. After a few lessons from Kane Vincent we believe he'll be available for weddings, funerals or anything.



Below: Roger speaking with Luke O'Connor from Doc Halibut after their set at the Blues Festival.



We'd like to thank all the presenters who helped promote the Winter Blues Festival whether by interviewing the musicians prior to the festival, during the festival, or by being part of the Outside Broadcast team.

The Winter Blues Outside Broadcast takes a lot of hard work, team work and many layers of winter woollies, but it is great to be part of this important local event.

Winter Blues: Congratulations on your 25th Anniversary.

BOARD & PRESENTERS MEETING - FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST



William Pel (on the right) explained the new podcast



We all come and go at different times so it's important to hold Board & Presenters meetings throughout the year so we can all get together. Above: Station Manager John Vincent delivering a run down of station matters.
Right: Anthony Davies & Kirky.



Above: Jimbo with technician Dave Hollamby.



PRESENTER'S NEWS



HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY RON WOOD
Congratulations on celebrating your 90th Birthday Ron. You are one of the longest serving on-air presenters at EMFM and have been instrumental in the success of the station. We look forward to many more years of your wonderful programs.

Campaspe Shire Councillor Tony Marwood headed to the studio last Friday to wish Ron a very happy 90th birthday, and present him with a birthday cake. Shire teams and councillors love heading down for an on-air chat with Ron on the first Friday of the month, it was great that they were there on Friday to celebrate Ron's big day.



Left: President Roger made a wonderful speech and presented flowers to Ron on behalf of the Board & Presenters.





ROGER KIRCHHOFER - KIRKY

Hope all our EMFM Members are thawing out after a very cold winter. As we head into spring, it's great to have Maree + Jimbo back in town, and on air after their break.

It's been fun filling in for Jimbo, but very big shoes to fill!

John has been busy with all our outside broadcasts, with more OB's to come.

Thanks for listening to Kirky's Hits & Memories.

Kirky had some very interesting guests on his program during winter.



Above: Kristin Monroe - celebrating National Science Week.



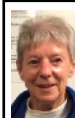
Left: Jock Edgar - Jock Edgar Plumbing - talking about simple plumbing issues around the house.



Right: Jazz Koolar - Practice Manager Campaspe Dental. Celebrating Dental Week.



Above: Julie Langdon - Echuca Moama Community Projects Winter Coat, Hat & Scarf Drive.



GET WELL WISHES
ELLIE WALLACE We hope you feel better and are back on air soon.



It's good to see Emily Donohoe back after her recent trip overseas. Tune into Only Australian 7pm - 9pm Tuesdays.



SECURITY CAMERAS -
Unfortunately our security cameras were stolen. John Vincent & Paul Napier have worked very hard to get our system up and running again. Thankyou for your hard work.



Download the Community Radio Plus app from your app store and listen to EMFM anywhere on your iPhone, iPad or computer. It's free and provided by the CBAA.

OUR PRESENTERS - Opposite you can see Dot Hammond, Ron Wood, Jim Harris, Ellie Wallace, Roger Peake, John Vincent, Roger Kirchhofer, Val Ellis, Val Horne, Andy Cameron, Bruce Chapman, Graham Hodgson, Emily Donohoe, Anthony Davies, Jake Chapman & Murray Whiteford. These wonderful presenters volunteer their time to make our radio station great.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU Jacob Chapman
One of our newest presenters.



Q. How did you get interested in community radio?

A. I got interested in joining EMFM firstly after a previous presenter suggested the idea and secondly after a family member got involved with EMFM

Q. What music do you play in your program?

A. I play the classic hits of the 70's and 80's. No obscure indi song that you've never heard. Just two hours of hits every Wednesday at 4pm. Having two Gen X parents has strongly influenced my taste in music

Q. What other hobbies/interests do you have?

A. Outside of work and the radio I spend my time keeping fit, reading and listening about numerous topics such as history and health and spending time with family and friends

Q. Have you had any interesting trips lately?

I recently went to Papua New Guinea and completed the Kokoda Trail. It was a bucket list trip after personally knowing many men who fought in the campaign. It was fantastic to finally put locations to stories and experience the conditions that the Owen Stanley Ranges provided to our diggers 83 years ago in the most important military battles in Australia's history.

OUR PRESENTERS



OUR TECHNICAL TEAM



Above: We are extremely indebted to our Technical Team - John Vincent, Graeme Stevens, Paul Napier, Shannon Savage, Dave Hollamby & William Pel, who keep us on air 24/7

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



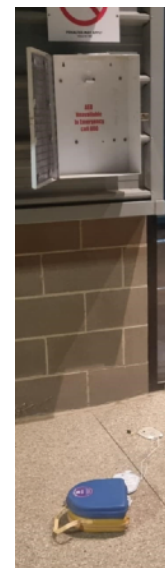
AGM 2PM SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH

The AGM will be held in the community room of the Echuca East Community Facility. Enter through this front door. All welcome.



DEFIBRILLATOR

Right: We were saddened to find our defibrillator, that was donated by George Santos from the Moama Bowling Club, had been vandalised. Above: It has now been repaired and has been mounted on the front of the building near the EMFM studios.



GRANTS: We were able to replace our new transmitter using a grant from the Community Broadcasting Foundation (CBF). We would like to thank them for providing \$10,954.00 to purchase the equipment that has just been installed.

Out & About - Friday Program 10am - Ron Wood
First Friday in Month - Campaspe Shire
Second - Murray River Council
Third - Library Bytes - Jenny Mustey. 11am - ERH.
Fourth - Victoria Police - 11am Echuca Lions Club
Fifth - Echuca Neighbourhood House - Sarah Peake
Any extra interviews - 11am Fridays



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