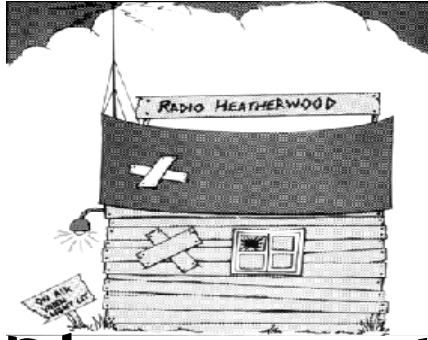


RADIO Heatherwood



Presenters Newsletter Iss 48 March 1993

The Radio Heatherwood staff newsletters took many styles and methods of production during its publications.

The originals have been lost, but to show the flavour of the content we have recreated an issue (48)

a newsletter originally published in March 1993.

This was produced using Microsoft desktop publishing program and would have been printed on a coloured sheet of paper. All the layout mistakes and poor positioning of items are still shown, so as not to change the history of the development of the newsletter.

A copy would have been posted on the studio noticeboard.

The only changes made to these have been the removal of personal phone numbers.

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Presenters Newsletter March 1993

In this month's exciting edition of the newsletter. We find out who has gone green, who has joined the station and the sweethearts ball, did romance blossom ?.

Grand Draw

Gordon will be compiling the sales grid for this year's draw, if you have your holiday dates please pass them on to Gordon to avoid dates clashing. The grid will be on display from April.

*******Stop Press***** Nine prizes have already been secured**

Toy Fair

The February toy fair held in the social hall raised £306 for the League, of which £102 comes to the radio.

Arrivals

The following trainees have joined us this month Patricia McNally, Viv Jones, Janet Gardener, Tom Yeung, Amanda Chivers and Luisa Whiting. I'm sure you will make them very welcome. Contrary to popular rumour all presenters are able to submit feedback to the newsletter, so I hope that new presenters will contribute. Not just stories but pictures as well.

New Ward

A new ward for elderly patients in the EMI unit is under construction and will be completed by June. We are already making representations to the hospital to get them to extend the medium wave service to the ward which at present receives a poor signal. This was an admin area and was not catered for when we installed in 1988.

Social Hall

The social hall will no longer be available for events. After June this will be occupational therapy. Taffy and CO are now looking for another venue for all the toy fairs, which are planned for this year.

Thought of the Month

Do Tom B & Alan Holder keep every charity shop in the area going by buying their shirts in them?

(ED The man from Beau-Monte he say yeah!)

Sweethearts Ball

Caterers Letherby & Christopher deserve a huge note of thanks from us all, for the excellent food for which they charged us only a fraction of the actual cost, they also provided bar staff waitresses and assistants at no extra cost. On conclusion of the event, bar takings had been so good they donated back £206:59p to our efforts.

A bouquet was presented to Margaret Ferguson for her help and companionship she has given to many of us during our time at Heatherwood.

Mrs Ada Hawkes and Mrs Dot Fishenden raised £175 on the night selling raffle tickets.

In the absence of the secretary and the manager Gordon Young studio manager thanked everyone for attending, what he thought had been, a most successful evening and a wonderful pr. exercise for the station.

Vanda Hird won the best dressed female & Mr Walters won the prize for the best dressed male.

Two hundred people attended a wonderful evening and Tom & Roger received numerous letters/cards of thanks and praise for such a good night. The total profit was £877. A staggering amount for the first venture of it's kind.



Many people need thanking for making the event so successful:-

Ascot Authority

Surrey Fasteners

Stuarts Hairdressers, Sunningdale

Letherby & Christopher

Vampire Disco's

Gelston Castle Fine Wines

The Directors (Skint till pay-day)

Silwood Nurseries

Susan Bailey

Designer Conservatory Bases.

*Roger Hawkes & Tom Beaumont
Fridays.*

Yakkety Yak

Questions which need to be answered this month!

Has the battery bag become a fashion accessory ??. See Rebecca for this month's fashion report !

Has PJ taken to being an activist or is it just the way he wears his jockey shorts?.

When shots were fired at the Stag public Hse sat 6/2 was this a critic of Vonn Smith's Show ?

Who has been hiding in pot plants and taking naughty pictures?

Who danced with Margaret?

Who has taken to wearing Yvonne's missing dress?

and Kermit the frog does he know someone has been wearing his outfit!.

☛ *Library*

Over the coming months the library is to be updated and records where more than two copies exist will be removed. When looking for records always refer to the computer for the up to date numbering as the prints will not be a good guide.

☛ *Mug Give Aways*

The mugs to give-away on nights will commence on Saturday 20th March as part of the new look programs. Please remember to mark in the studio log who you gave the prize to

The mugs are currently being sold on the trolley shop for £1:60.

☛ *New Presenters*

The arrival of all the new presenters in this years recruitment drive has made the management team aware of the fact that the station has never had so many lady presenters. I hope the male presenters will treat them all with respect and do not go overboard to impress them.

It is the patients who we need to impress not ourselves ?.

See Code of Conduct (1)General Conduct 1:11, 1:14.

☛ *Ricky Rhythm (Out of the closet)*

After several months of working for vampire disco's Roger & Yvonne have decided to go independent !

Should anyone contact the studio with an enquiry for a disco booking We would appreciate you passing the information on to us. A percentage of all our takings will be donated to Radio Heatherwood.

The new disco will be known as The big sound experience featuring Ricky Rhythm & the Red Haired Raver.

The name comes from an 80's group called Big Sound Authority who's record "this House" is a theme of sorts!

(Roger)Ricky can be contacted on Tel

(Yvonne)The Red Haired Raver on Tel :

☛ *Bop While you Shop*

The plan to provide music at Bracknell Bandstand in August whilst we sell tickets has been dealt a blow this week with the letter from the PRS who inform me that free licences have been withdrawn for charities. This means a charge will be levied for that day. I am awaiting notification of that charge: if it exceeds a certain amount bop while you shop will be abandoned.

☛ *Ward Rounds Batteries*

We cannot over emphasise the need to carry out the function properly every night of the week. If you are on battery duties:

Check empty lockers for radios-Remove dud batteries.

Check empty lockers for radios-Remove faulty radios and return them to the studio.

Check empty lockers for radios-Make sure a booklet is with each radio.

Check the boxes or filing cabinets in the wards where the radios normally get put and make sure no batteries are leaking. Ward four will always be a culprit of putting radios in the sisters office with

dud batteries still in them.

And finally make sure you record all sales and freebies in the studio log !.

☛ *I Want To Help*

This is a statement we receive many times whilst on ward rounds from patients. The station policy on this is:-

We won't accept any offers of assistance to be presenters from patients. Give them a booklet and ask them to write to the station manager when they are at home and they feel they would still like to help.

Too often or not whilst in the hospital patients do tend to promise the earth but have second thoughts when at home.

We do not pass application forms to patients to fill in whilst here.

Please bear this in mind the next time you are asked.

Dave

☛ *Press Coverage*

This last month has seen some spectacular press coverage for the station with the Fight for Fm and the sweethearts ball. All of this is good for the station as long term we don't know who has seen the article's and what this might have in store for us.

When issuing press statements we are always watchful that the wrong impression is not given of our service. If the station gets a good report we can all be pleased, if the report is bad then we are all guilty of failing in our duties. The same goes for statements from patients; if their pleased we all benefit: if we get a complaint then we have all failed.

Radio Heatherwood is a team effort and

lets all ensure it stays that way!

PJ.

☛ *Studio Log*

The studio log is an integral part of each evening functions it is the duty of every member to ensure that their night is filling in the required information. Incidences of not being filled in or incorrectly filling in, have been noted this last month.

Each section has a facing page with a sample of how that section should be filled out, please follow those examples and ensure your night is logged.

Attendance, Battery sales, Prizes etc. are sections which have not been filled in.

☛ *TUESDAYS*

Tuesday nights broadcasts are now in full swing, despite the eagle eyed patients who have said "ere - it says in this booklet you're closed for staff training on Tuesdays"!

After the first Tuesday broadcast, we got some positive feedback from a group of ladies in Ward 8C, who said "That lovely girl" (*what a way to refer to Carla!!*) "read out my request and mentioned my name not just once, but twice - before and after the record. I was ever so pleased to get TWO mentions."

This shows how much the service is appreciated and how important it is to ensure the emphasis is always on the patients name.

Sweethearts Ball- The Funny Bit's

Did You See !

Gordon & Margaret dancing to
" Hootsman "

Roger called him up to handout the
bouquet to Margaret and did him like a
kipper.

Roger & Caroline jiving !.

Rebecca & Lee " Twisting the night
away " (Don't get green CP).

Captain & Mrs Beaumont dancing to
" baggy trousers " !.

The drummer of the band and Mark
getting on down .

Mark Porch playing his guitar
(superbly) in his shades, " Old sexy
come to bed eyes ".

Mark dancing intimately with a girl
he'd known for all of ten minutes(Not
called Sophie was she ?).

That man and his wife dancing properly
to everything. !.

Lee & Yvonne looking after the disco
while Roger circulated-Lee doing what
he was told !.

Allan's leary tee-shirt !.

Dave Griff looking super smooth Cool
Dude or What !.

Carla's sister leading " OOPS upside
your head "

Carla at the bar several times!.

Rebecca's legs in that split skirt!

(phew!)

The man from Beau-Monte in his
red/orange shirt.

Thanks

On behalf of Tom and Myself(Ricky)
We would like to say a big thank you to
all who helped sell tickets: provide a
raffle prize and for a great team effort
which made our sweethearts ball such a
success.

Here's to the next one !

Roger & Tom.

Footnote:- I am sure everyone on the
station would like to thank Roger and
Tom for their marvellous contribution to
our station by arranging the Sweethearts
ball

Well done chaps.

Charity Stall

Don't forget to wrap up warm if you
have signed for the market, It's cold out
there !.

★ Donations

On Monday 1/2 confirmation was|recei-
ved of a donation of £150 from a
supporters family (Mr A Wood)who
uses the facilities provided by the
RHSG. £300 has also been donated to
the main body. Well done Dave.

W/e 13/2 Beverley & Bill Finnigan
donated £5 for the radio. Beverley was
a patient in maternity.

W/c 13/2 two donations of records was received this week one from Mrs Dot Fishenden and one from L Hawkes.

W/c 20/2 A record donation from Mrs D Manning.

Teamleader

Carla Davis famous for liking PJ's raspberry ripple crisps has moved to Tuesdays and is in training to become Teamleader for this night.

All Change

As part of the increase in hours Tuesday nights are open once again. A complete revision of the staffing arrangements has now been completed and with the new trainee's which have joined us a further expansion of hours will be we hope on the cards.

(*ED: as long as we don't get anymore of Roger's stonkers*)

Fm Update

The initial response as you saw on the notice board was quite good and Andrew McKay was very quick to reply. Mr McKay will be visiting the studio on Saturday 20th March at 14:30. A special broadcast day is to be arranged and staff are invited to take part and impress our visitor of the value of hospital radio.

Feedback

Sat 6/2 A patient on ward 8 responded to being asked for a request, and when asked has she seen our booklet she replied "oh no but I have bought one of

your mugs rather expensive though.

Feedback

Alan Holder a man renowned for his shirts has a new string to his bow.

On Saturday 13/2 a note was left on my clip by Alan; detailing the misfortune of breaking one of the clipboards. This man not content with dazzling us with his taste in shirts now impresses us with his super human strength. Great stories have been written about his shirts, is his super human strength a new talent which is un-tapped.

(*Ed: he hasn't taken to wearing a blue suit with red shorts yet! but there's still time*)

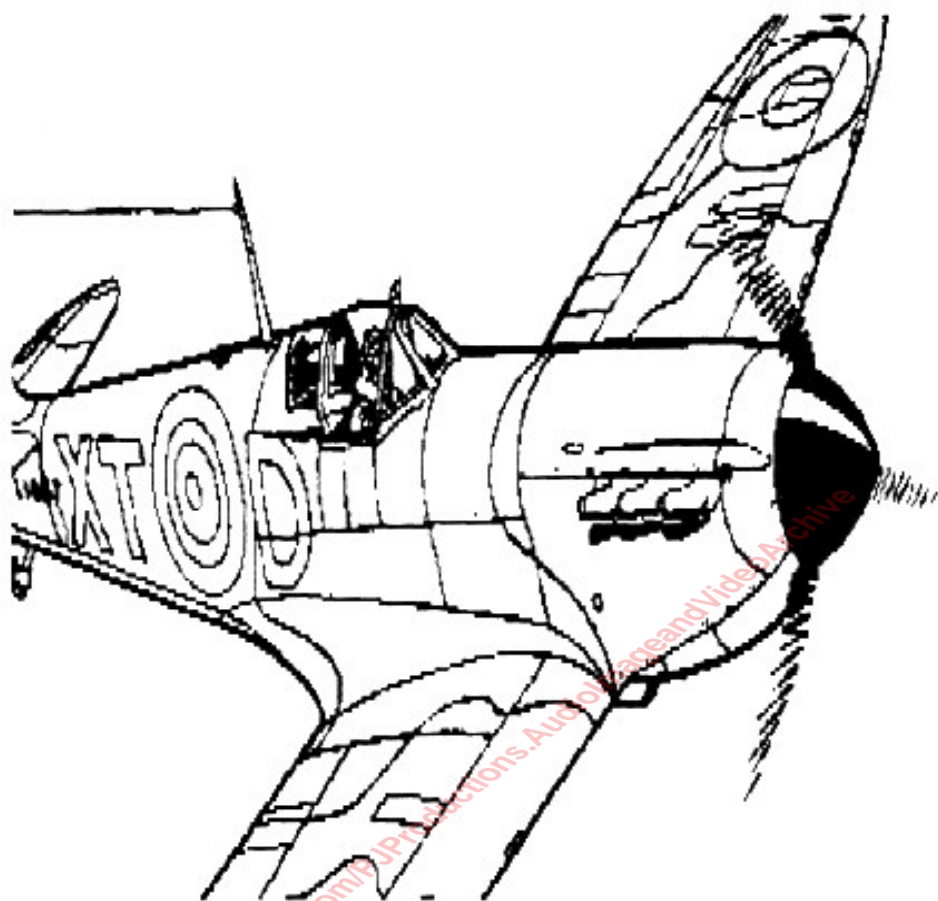
Feedback

(Sweethearts Ball)

A letter of thanks has been received from Capt Beaumont Secretary to the Ascot Authority

He writes

"Thank you very much for your letter, I am delighted that the ball raised such a very large amount for the radio service at Heatherwood Hospital. It was a very enjoyable evening and very well organised. Best wishes to all the staff at Radio Heatherwood and the League of Friends."



Picture This

This picture on this page is dedicated to a member of the radio staff who sha'll remain anonymous.

(*Ed: Is the pilot of this plane Colonel Y(vonne Smit)h*)



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What's on Next ?

This Newsletter Belongs to:-

March 5th - Toy Fair 7-10pm.

Social Hall 50p Entrance Fee

March 13th - Charity Stall Bracknell
Market 8 - 4pm.

April 11th - RHSG trip to Stoke
Bruerne

Information:-

*Toy Fairs - Taffy Evans 0753
855844.*

RHSG - Dave Smith 0344 489496.

Charity Stall - P.J. 0344 57852.

*All of the above will raise money for
the station. Tell your families and
friends to support our events.*

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