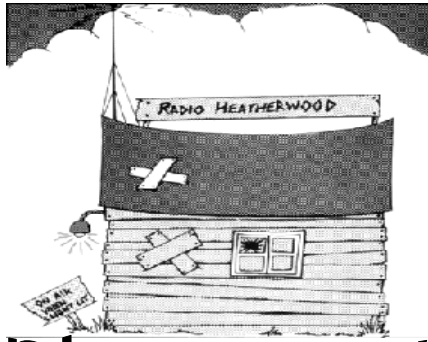


RADIO Heatherwood



Presenters Newsletter Iss 51 June 1993

The Radio Heatherwood staff newsletters took many styles and methods of production during it's publications.

The originals have been lost, but to show the flavour of the content we have recreated an issue (51) from scans and text files.

A newsletter originally published in June 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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In this month's newsletter :- part two of Scotsman " finnan haddie " kind of smoked "Learn the lingo", the space problem and haddock !

how to solve it, Roger celebrates his fifth birthday, stonk of the month and Yakkety yak.

★ Donations

A large donation of singles has been received from the boys in blue. members of the management team, reported that they are looking into it.

☛ New Presenter

The station has a new fully qualified member, in the shape of Rebecca Loader. I'm sure you will all wish her well. Rebecca recently lost her "T" status.

(ED: What shape do presenters have to be ?)

Footnote:- Warm, friendly sincere and above all, " cuddly ".

☛ Stop Your Tickling Jock Pt 2

Answer to last month's learn the lingo :-

Scotsman " peely wally " Translation :- Pale/wan/out of sorts !

Scotsman " gyte " Translation :- Daft/ crazy !

In next month's lingo we sample an "Arbroath smokie" some " Champit tatties" and find out what a " gigot " is.

(ED: Why don't these people speak bloody English ?)

☛ You've Been Framed

The few remaining spaces on the studio walls are to get six new frames. The frames will contain pictures of each night's presenters and will be regularly updated. These will appear shortly just as soon as we have pictures of each presenter for each night.

☛ Grand Draw

The grid is on the wall and the times allocated to each presenter. A reminder to everyone to note down their times and if their is a problem to contact Gordon at the earliest. It is important that each selling time goes ahead and that the maximum effort is given to this our annual fund raising event. New presenters especially should ensure they are aware of what is required.

☞ *Who Wins*

The studio log which records where you have awarded the prize should be consulted each night to determine who wins. The prizes should be spread out around the hospital. It should not happen where one ward gains two or three prizes a week, one only please !

(ED: I don't mind one prize only, as long as Carla delivers it " wow ")

✓ *Feedback*

Fridays Foot "n" Mouth a classic bit of foot "n" mouth has been passed to me where a member of Fridays was asked to read out the song title " When you're old wedding ring was new " sadly the song title came out as " When you're old wedding tackle was new ". on hearing this the patients fell about laughing causing a member of the nursing staff on ward four (Jenny) to ring and ask what we are up to. Nice one team.

(ED: Nice one Rebecca your secret's safe with me.)

★ *Donations*

Tuesday 27/4 Mary ward 8 donated £3 and Ada on ward 3 £2.

☞ *Trolley Shop Long service awards*

The month of April was a busy time for ye olde secretary as a special presentation was organised for the ladies of the trolley shop who celebrated 21yrs of providing the

trolley shop around the wards. Gordon Young went along to the presentation representing the radio staff on Tuesday 4/5.

☞ *Bracknell Bandstand*

In the March edition of the newsletter I mentioned the charge for using music this year £15.98. A member of the radio staff has donated the money for this. On behalf of all the team We thank you for your generosity.

☞ *Bop while you shop*

This year as an added crowd puller to the bandstand we intend to put up the sale of all the records which have come in since March.

✓ *Feedback (Saturdays)*

On saturday 15/5 a classic adlib by PJ on ward four had patients in stitches. Whilst trying to provide loan radios to a patient after her visitor had paid the pound for the battery it was found that every spare radio had one side of the headphones not working, not wishing to deprive the patient of a radio quick as flash " it's a special offer today as only one ear is working we'll let you have the battery for 50p " after a few chuckles I moved to the next bed to hand over another radio which the battery had been paid for; when explaining the problem to the next lady she said " I've got

both of my ears working " !

Ps she wasn't referring to the radio !

★ *Donations*

Tuesday 4/5 £3 from Bob ward 1, Thursday
6/4 £2 from Ethyl on ward 8.

☞ *Mug Give-aways*

At the league of friends committee meeting
of 17/5 the league approved the purchase of
further supplies of the mugs.

☞ *Battery Bag*

Don't put new batteries in the same pouch
as the money, a short across the terminals
will drain the power of what might be a
new battery.

★ *Donation*

A visitor to ward three on Monday 10/4
passed a load of Jukebox singles to Dave
Griffiths for the studio.

☞ *Work Experience*

Every year we get inquiries from many
different sources asking for work
experience. If you take a phone call from an
interested party tell them we don't have the
facilities to accommodate them.

In the last two weeks alone we have spent
over four pound in postage telling people
no. Messages left on the answer machines
or via the post will still get a reply.

☞ *Stop Press*

The records so kindly donated by the boys
in blue, have had to be returned due to the
real owner turning up to claim them.

(**Ed: was a criminal record
involved ? :Yes, I Just called to say I love
you; was in there)**

☞ *Did You Know*

A certain manager has put down + one
guest on the skittles evening ?

A member of staff has recently changed
jobs so that he can share his raspberry
ripples crisps at work as well !

✱ *Yakkety Yak*

In this month's Yakkety Yak questions
which need to be answered:-

Why does the Sunday program organised ,
always have all the women presenters
assisting when GY attends?.

Why does GY have all the best spots on
ticket selling this year ?.

Has Gordon cracked it with the blue rinse
brigade of the trolley shop ?

and finally why was Gordon invited for tea
by Roger's mum ?.

Official Notices

The notices displayed by various members of the management team should not be altered, defaced or un-necessary comments written on. The last two month's has seen a return to the old days and this action taken by individuals destroys items which would be included in the radio history files. Don't do it. The code of conduct refers:- General Conduct Section 1 page 3

(1:9) If at any time you do not understand any notice displayed at this station contact the originator for clarification. A notice is not displayed for you to deface or write comments on: it is there to inform; any defacing of notices will not be taken lightly. (This includes notices asking for your participation)

Dave.

(ED: a more suitable outlet for your scribbles is to Ye olde Editor)!

Engineer

(A day in the life)

It's not easy being an engineer, you have to be on call at all times, members of the public interfere with your work, the management never let you have enough money, Murphy's law rules all day and faults which occur; are plainly caused by those little furry things Gremlins.

The on-air studio two lights have been repaired this month.

An intermittent fault on studio one's mixer continues to plague the tuner module. LBC has been removed to accommodate radio two on the spare channel.

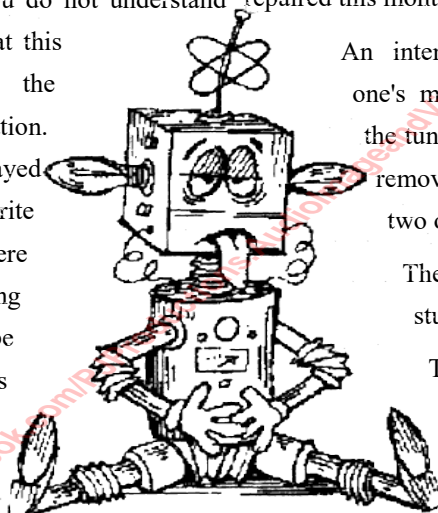
The tuner news bulb in studio one is replaced.

The talkback mixer in studio one had a loud buzzing on it.

The reception speakers decide to work on one channel only.

The am service suffers at the hands of Thorns security(cowboys) cut a cable in the casualty dept and don't tell anyone.

The new ward in EMI, ward 15 has the bedhead units connected with one channel not working and the other three obviously connected up wrong and loud enough on one channel to wake the dead.



☛ *If things Go wrong:-*

Don't just leave a note on my clip I only see it on a Saturday evening by which time it's too late to do anything. Leave a message on my answer machine any time of the day and then I stand a better chance of repairing the fault quickly.

Life could be so sweet:-

☛ *Why Don't we get Radio one*

The bedhead system rack in our studio has never had an external aerial, This is why Radio One or capital radio suffer from drifting and bad signals but the moment we connect an external aerial it picks up the bleep and in the process will knock out the Am Rack. The inter stage wiring and poor earthing of the rack is the likely cause. The rack was purchased 17 years ago and radio technology has moved on since then. The service on the bedhead units will only improve if this unit is replaced.

And finally if that wasn't enough, on a Saturday evening we have to show our token Welsh person how to do drilling anding ?.

(ED: Happiness is a hot soldering iron !)

☛ *Am Service*

As you are already very much aware for the first time ever this month we lost part of our service area due to the cable being cut. The transmitter check list is there to identify a

problem as soon as it arrives, just because the list is now in the studio log outside, don't automatically fill it in without checking first. All the building work or changes which are constantly taking place on the hospital could mean we are not so lucky next time and suffer far more seriously.

Transmitter check first before ward rounds!!!!

☛ *Feedback (Saturdays)*

On Saturday 15/4 the mug give-away to Nellie on ward 10 rounded off an evening of singing along to the records and did it's job of cheering up a dear lady who was in need of cheer. The ladies in the ward chatted to me after the presentation and complemented what a wonderful service the station provides. The staff on ward ten also commented could we stop playing records that the patients keep singing along to. Tonight's sing along was " Happy Talk " from South Pacific.

Footnote:- On returning to ward ten on 22/4 Molly one of the ladies from the previous week informed me that Nellie had passed away earlier in the week, she also mentioned that after we left the ward the previous week Nellie didn't stop talking about the mug.

Molly said " I know you fixed it so that she would win " because she wasn't wearing the sexiest pyjama's. We know different !

Playlist

A new look playlist has been produced and signals the change from the old style which has been with us since 1989. The new sheet takes into consideration the facility to offer different promotions and the equipment check which I hope will help monitor each studio's equipment status during every show that is broadcast.

✓ **Feedback (Fridays)**

Friday 21/4 Bill on ward one We gave him a special mug and he gave us a stonker and two quiz riddles.

(Ed: I'd give him two mugs if he wouldn't hand over any more stonkers)

Roge

❑ **Stonker of the month**

Dave:- Knock Knock !

PJ:- Whose there !

Dave:- Farmer Jock !

PJ:- Farmer Jock who!

Dave:- " Farmer Jock to a king from loneliness to a wedding ring ".

PS. Don't mention wedding rings or tackle to Rebecca !!

(ED: Gordon doesn't feature in this stonk somewhere does he !)

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Reminder

When we grow older we all need reminding of things we need to do as it is very easy to forget. On the wall now in reception is a

reminder card. Young and old can use it though !

(Ed: A special Scottish version will be produced for those from north of the border)

Language School

A suggestion has been put to me, that after the success of the " learn the lingo " series we should continue with Welsh, Chinese, and Carla Davis.

I shall be taking my own personal courses on these in the near future. and will keep you informed.

(ED: Now then which one shall we do first)

Tom Beaumont

is currently on a course in London learning how to design and make clothes. Apparently he is looking for volunteers to be measured up for some sexy lingerie, but the only offer he has had so far has been from Roger.

Well, Tom, I do have Caroline's phone number. I'm sure she will oblige - and then you could see her wedding photos at the same time.

✓ **Feedback (Tuesdays)**

It does get confusing working with the Loader sisters. One Tuesday evening recently, Gordon was doing a programme with Sarah. "Let's do a name check" says Gordon. So Sarah goes on air, gives out the station details and concludes "you're in the

company of Sarah Loader and...", the correct one or take it back to the studio whereupon Gordon comes in and says for the next night's team to return it. "Rebecca. Oh, no I'm not, I'm Gordon!!" Talk about an identity crisis! The following week Rebecca swapped nights with Sarah, and Gordon didn't dare go on air.

✓ **Feedback** **(Thursdays)**

1 Poor Nellie on Ward 4. I asked her recently if she would like a request. She looked so surprised and said "But I'm still waiting for the record I requested on Tuesday. Have you played it yet?" When I said "Yes, we played it on Tuesday" she replied "How do I listen to it then?" And that was from someone with a working bedhead system.

2 After Derek on Ward 1 had given me a graphic description of how his toes had gradually turned black and dropped off, we decided to award him the evenings mug, whereupon someone suggested he could use it to keep his toes in!! I guess then he could become a tea-toe-tal.

☞ **Loan Radio's**

The Saturday Team have been busy modifying some new radios, which will be appearing on the wards over the next few weeks. I have started adding the ward number on to the radios next to the serial number to make it easier to identify which ward it belongs to. If you come across a radio on the wrong ward, please return it to



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What's on Next ?

May 29th Charity Buzz to Gt Yarmouth

June 26th Grand Draw starts

Information:-

RHSG - Dave Smith 0344 489496.

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

This Newsletter Belongs to:-



Feedback

(Wednesdays)

The Wednesday crew especially the evil Kevin Donaldson, have really got poor Tom Yeung in a 2 & 8. Kevin having mispronounced his name from day 1; calling him Tim Young, Jimmy Young etc etc, this has left Tom not really knowing who he is. He actually answers to " Tim " !! but today was a red letter day when he welcomed everybody to

" Haydio Wedderwood "

Poor Tim, " I think it's the flid lice he buys from Graham Hyman's take away ".

AI

(Ed: I don't believe Nicey could do such things, by the way have you seen the picture of Nicey and rent a gran)

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