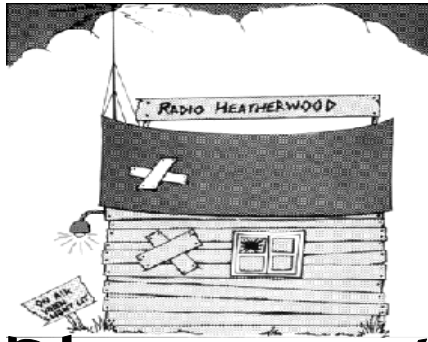


RADIO Heatherwood



Presenters Newsletter Iss 60 July/Aug 1994

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 (60)
a newsletter originally published in Jul/Aug 1994.

This was produced using Microsoft publisher and was 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 was then left in the team trays for each volunteer.

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

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RADIO Heatherwood

Presenters Newsletter

Iss 60 July/Aug 1994

In this months newsletter A room with a view part two, all change, battery sales falling, and grand draw update, plus all your favourites.



Feedback (It's a mugs game)

Robin on ward 10 looked the perfect candidate for the mug winner on Saturday 21/5. Having checked to see when ward 10 last won the mug it was 7 days so yes this is tonight's winner.

Later the same Week:-

Gordon whilst carrying out ward rounds is informed by Robin that he had actually won it the previous Monday.

Gordon note to Saturdays:-

" Ha" "Ha" "Ha" you gave a mug to somebody who had already won the mug.

Management message to Dave & PJ:-

When checking to see where to award the mug check that the persons name doesn't appear in the mug log. Smack on the hand time.

(ED: This just proves our management are human after all)



Charity Buzz (My Generation)

This years charity buzz on Sunday 29/5 was reminiscent of the heady days of the sixties when mods & rockers descended on Southend for the annual punch up

on the sea front.

Due to maintenance problems with their bikes: two coach loads of ageing mods and rockers (RHSG) suitable dressed, descended on the Shangrilar tea rooms. Tea coffee buns and cakes were plentiful and thoughts turned to their youth. The weather was kind and a great day out was had by all. The cause for this unruly behaviour: Radio Heatherwood. £500 was raised for the RHSG, down on previous years but still a princely sum.

(ED: Keep on Rocking.....)



Feedback(Post-bag)

A donation in the postbag received 4/6 from Mr R Pusey of Slough He writes:-

To the volunteers

Please find enclosed a donation of £5 with thanks for the service you provide, very much appreciated.

Well Done Team.



Feedback

Sarah writes:-

I don't know, you let presenters come to your evening and they start off all quiet and innocent and then they gradually get quite cheeky.

Well that David Griffiths is so cheeky the things he said about me on the 1st June you wouldn't believe. First it was she's 19 going on

59 well if that's not an insult I don't know what is, and then there were the various other comments he made.

So is there anything else I should know about David one careful owner + low mileage Griffiths ?. If so: please let me know.

Other Feedback:-

While on ward 10 the other week I went into the part of a ward that the men are in and I was absolutely swamped with requests. I was also told that they thought Radio Heatherwood was really good
(*ED: obviously not heard Dave's show*).

While on ward 5 David Griffiths was collecting requests from the ladies and I was also with him when these Two Ladies said how they thought he was such a lovely Boy!!!!!!

Sarah
(*ED: "" Yuk "" "" ""*)

Feedback (*Welcome back you tart*)

On Saturday June 11 as Keith Smith made a welcome return to Saturdays he was busy collecting requests on ward five when a lady decided Keith looked under nourished and promptly handed him a coconut tart for his tea.

Footnote :- *Tuesdays might have the cakes but Saturdays is the night for tarts ?????.*

Departures

18/6 Jo Birrell sends a letter and resigns after moving to Hounslow.

17/6 Tom Beaumont has departed for pastures new, mostly ladies underwear. We wish him well.

Feedback (*Tuesdays*)

Graham reports:- On Tuesday 21/6 we had a first, a live broadcast on Radio Heatherwood.

Dean martin was joined live on air by Alan Holder & Tony Gardner singing Memories are made of this. Mr Martin has since agreed to go back on the booze as a result of the " Stiff " competition.

Graham.

Feedback (*Postbag*)

Les Maple writes:-

Dear Sir

I am writing this as a back up to the message I left on your answer phone yesterday.

As stated on the message. I have just been released from Heatherwood hospital. where I was a patient from 16th June till 21st. During this period I listened in to your evening request programmes and much to my surprise I won the sexiest Pyjama's award (I didn't even know anyone was looking).

I was quite impressed with the service provided.

From the dates in your booklet I assume that it was printed about a year or two ago - thus I am enclosing a cheque for £15 as a donation towards a new ward radio.

Footnote:-

Keith nominated Les as the winner on the Saturday, PJ delivered the mug. Les was a patient on ward 3.

Yakkety Yak

What was Dave Griffiths doing one Thursday chasing a bird into the bushes whilst on ward rounds ?



Car Parking

Permits

The hospital will not be issuing the new permits until October your current ones will be valid until that time.



Arrivals

The station welcomes Andy Eason (6/7) to Wednesdays, Kay Tillotson to Thursdays (7/7) and Paul Del-Nevo to Fridays (22/7) Jane Forrest (27/7) Desmond Hutchins to Fridays (29/7) Wednesdays, Caroline Dandridge Mondays (1/8) Lisa Jones Thursdays (4/8) and finally the return of Kevin Donaldson to Thursdays (4/8). We wish them well and hope they will enjoy their new interest.



Feedback (postbag)

2/7/94

A follow up letter from Les Maple detailing his voluntary career and how he came to be in Heatherwood was received this week. Les ends his letter with

" A mug I sha'll cherish to remind me of my stay in Heatherwood and of the Radio Station which helps to cheer up the patients Regards and best wishes Les Maple ".



Mug Sale

The first mug sale of the new financial year was made to Jenny on ward five Tuesday 5/7.



All Change

Once again it's all change on the

presenter front as Gordon shuffles the pack.



Feedback

(Donations)

On Friday 15/7 Joan Davis on ward 3 donated £5 and Vera on ward 10 donated £5.



Yakkety Yak

Why is it that since Rebecca changed from Friday nights to Thursday nights she has not yet seen her Teamleader. What has happened to her Teamleader & will she ever see him ?????.

Who keeps meeting a certain presenter either in the early evening or late evening to exchange keys ?

(Ps is that front door keys !!!)



All

Change at the Top

It has been announced in the local press 15/7 that the present Chief executive of the Heatherwood & Wexham park trust Karen Caines is to give up the post in September after only eight month's in the job.

Karen Caines was extended an invitation to visit Radio Heatherwood in February but never responded to our invitation. A caretaker director will take over, until the post has been advertised and a new person is appointed.

(ED: Rumours that Dave the Rave is in line for the post have been greatly exaggerated, they are looking for someone without organisation skills!!!!!!)



✓ *More Donations*

Tuesday 19/7 Monica ward 5 £1.60 &
Thursday 21/7 Irene ward 1 £1.10.



Departures

Andy Eason (13/7) Kay Tillotson
(28/7) A case of Hello & Good-bye.



More Yakkety

Yak

What presenter was desperate for her tickets ?

What presenter turned up for her ticket selling in her skin tight lycra shorts flashing her lovely legs ???

Which male presenter spent
an evening walking
around the wards
almost unable to sell
any raffle
tickets ???



Grand

Draw

(Feedback)

What tight B-----d owning a L reg BMW comes and purchases a 10p ticket from the table in Ascot high Street.



Feedback

A short note from ward 5 arrives at the studio :- A very big thank you to all Radio Heatherwood for cheering us up, it's greatly appreciated by Monica & all the other patients on ward five.

Keep up the good work DJ's Please.

✓ *Donation*

Monica on ward five donates £25
31/7 See feedback letter.

★ *Loan Radio*

Ward Rounds

A reminder to everyone especially newcomers loan radio's are no good to anyone, sat in the box at the end of the ward. When It's your turn to do ward rounds make sure the radio's are in the empty lockers check the boxes especially on ward one, three, four and five, staff are putting them in boxes in their office or on the shelf in the staff area. When checking the lockers also check to see if their is a booklet with the radio.

*On Saturday 13/8 we
removed ten radio's
from the wards
which required
repairs*



★ *Loan*

Radio

Log

If you take a radio from the ward, follow these rules:-

1 Remove any battery in the radio and throw it away: Do not leave it in the radio !!!!!.

2 Record in the studio log the number and what the fault is; if known.

3 Place the radio in the box under the LP library.

★ *Loan Radio*

Repairs

It may have escaped your attention, that

every time a batch of radio's needs repairing I have to forgo any chance of broadcasting for that week. I spend all the evening right up till going home time identifying the faults and repairing them. This is very time consuming and also denies me of a program.

If I leave a batch of radio's on the table for return to the wards, I don't expect to see them on the table when I come in the following week.

It's a simple task, your part in repairing the radio's is to return them to the patients who may be grateful for that radio.

This is a team effort: Don't leave it to others !!!!!!!!!!!

PJ Saturdays.



Feedback

Monica Ward 5 Writes:-

Thank you all so much for keeping us all on ward five so cheerful, playing our requests & keeping the comedy up between the requests.

Saturday evening you even played one from a friend who took the trouble to ring in from Windsor for me. A little tear trickled when I heard you say " It's the nicest message you had heard in the four years you'd been a DJ here at Heatherwood ".

I know you have made thousands of people very happy in those four years and made my evenings pass all too quickly. Please accept the enclosed in appreciation and keep up the good work.

God bless you all Monica.



Engineering corner

Studio One Right hand turntable. As most of you will be aware this fader

became faulty, having inspected the internal damage that the fader had A temporary repair was tried this subsequently failed and the turntable was disconnected. The type of damage the fader had is hard to imagine how it could of occurred. What is needed though is particular care in operating these, No rapid backwards and forward movements of these should be attempted.



Event Failure Alarm

A modification to the video sensor has been made, problems of high temperature affecting the alarm should be a thing of the past. The red light will extinguish the moment the video stops recording.



Playlist (Logging Faults)

A reminder to all presenters, whilst you may have logged a fault before in a previous show, if you have not received an answer from me on your clip if it happens the following week please write it on your playlist again.

I can only measure the severity of a fault if it is brought to my attention by lots of people!!!!

PJ.



Grand Draw

Ticket selling at Waitrose this year raised a total of £175.20 which is one of the top figures achieved on outside venues. Ward ticket selling is unfortunately low compared with previous years.

More Yakkety Yak

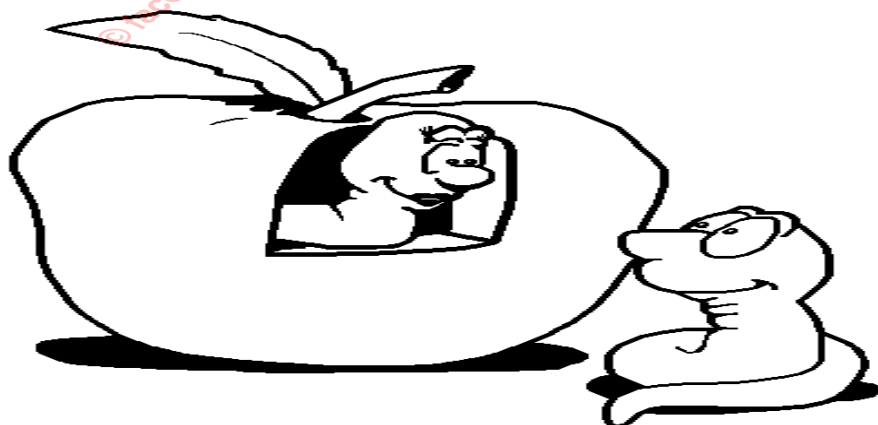
What presenter likes to share his apples ???

Till Death us do Part.

On Saturday 20 August, our north of the border studio manager said I do and is now a happily married man. We wish Gordon & Diane all the best for the future.

League of Friends Agm

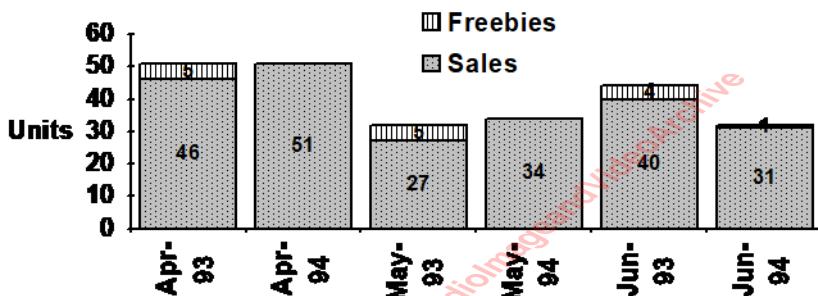
On Monday 26 September in Heatherwood house 7:45pm. If you wish to attend: please contact me for a copy of the agenda. The meeting is not open to members of the public.



“ Would you like to share my apple? “

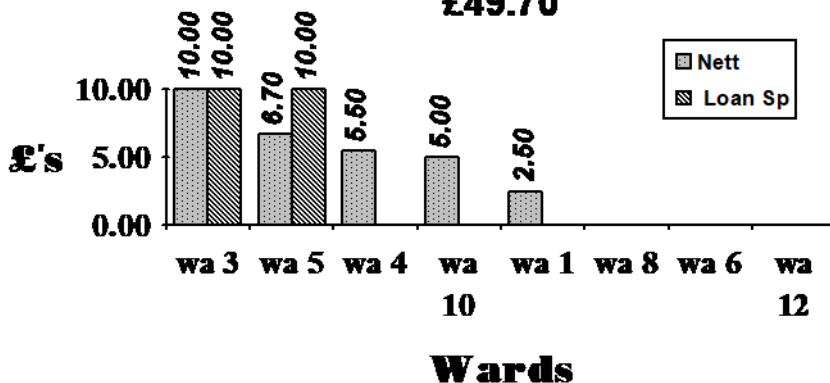
Loan Radio Battery Sales compared with last years sales shows a small increase but more radio's on the wards this year denotes a drop in sales. A trend towards poor sales is reflected in weekly sales returns which has dropped compared with the last three months of last year.

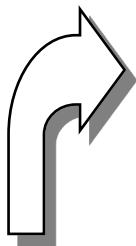
Loan Radio Battery Sales By Month
1st April 1994 to 31st March 1995
1993 Recorded Total Sales 113 + 14 Freebies
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Donations received from the wards, also reflecting the drop in patients on the wards !!! April - July 1994.

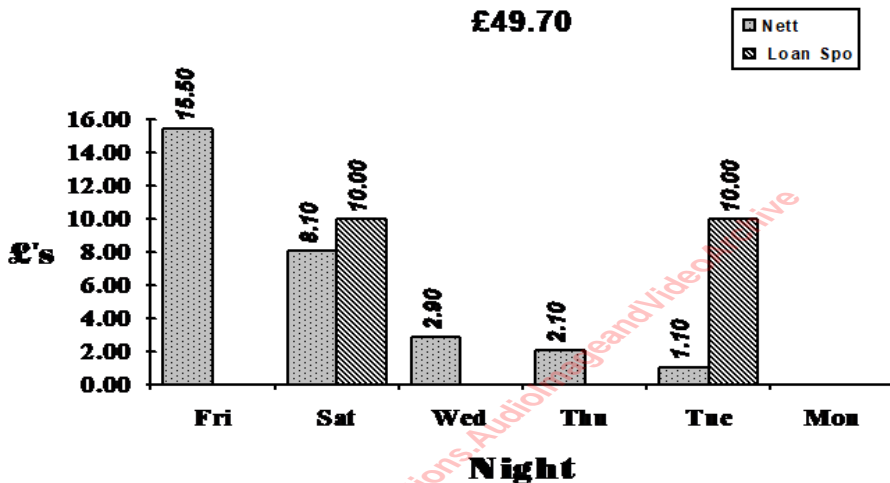
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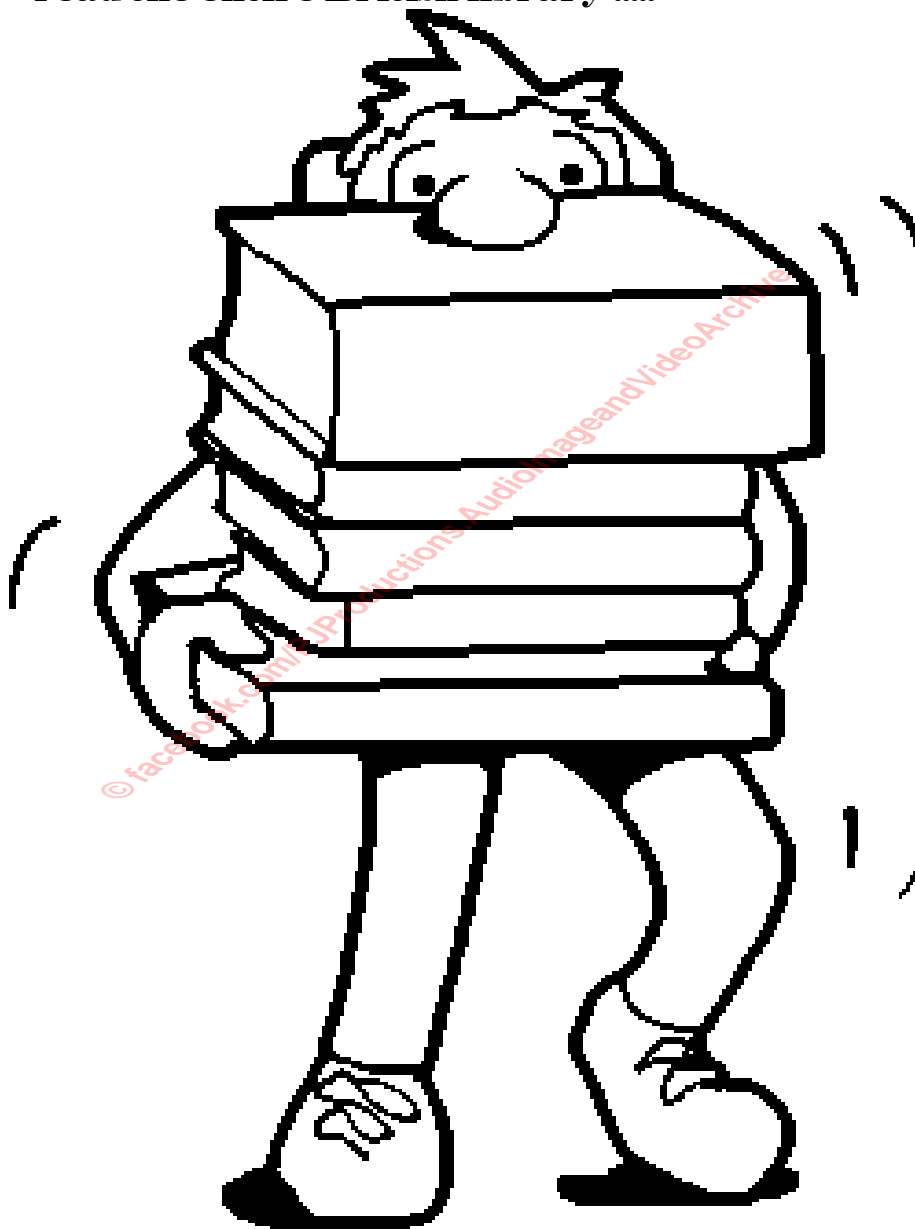
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**Grand Draw Venue
Did You Know**

This years venue is the Cranbourne Public Hse Fernbank Road Ascot, everyone is welcome. We will be there from 8pm the draw will take place at 10pm. It's your chance to meet your fellow presenters. It's also a chance to get your free drink from the management !!!!!!!.

“ When the management said read the operations manual, I didn't know it mean't read the entire British library !!!!! “





A room with a view

Radio Heatherwood first began transmissions from a room adjacent to the switchboard in 1976. Over the years as the service has expanded and become very successful, the small space allocated to the radio station has become cramped and overcrowded with the expansion of the facilities, plus the record library adding to the congestion. The radio service holds 40,000 song titles on 1600 albums 530 CD's and over 4300 singles.

Since 1982 the station has actively been seeking the allocation of the old switchboard room which was vacated. This room has been used as an office by various people since 1982. Even in 1990 when the SFAT supported us with the provision of a new mixer for the second studio, we were optimistic that our pleas would be answered; sadly we were turned down.

At long last the trust management have recognised our dilemma and have allocated the old switchboard room, for the development of the radio service library and offer a better reception facility for visitors and volunteers. The addition of the extra room will give us a chance to open the access to the production area from the main corridor and allow wheelchair access from that corridor. The increase in space will also make it possible to give over an area for the maintenance of the loan radio service, which is either done at home or in the corridor of the ante-natal clinic. The new room will allow adequate expansion, well into the next decade.

To integrate the room with the present facilities, major construction work is required in providing a window and adjoining door. Changes are also required to our existing layout to comply with fire recommendations. It has been decided that where possible the changes required to

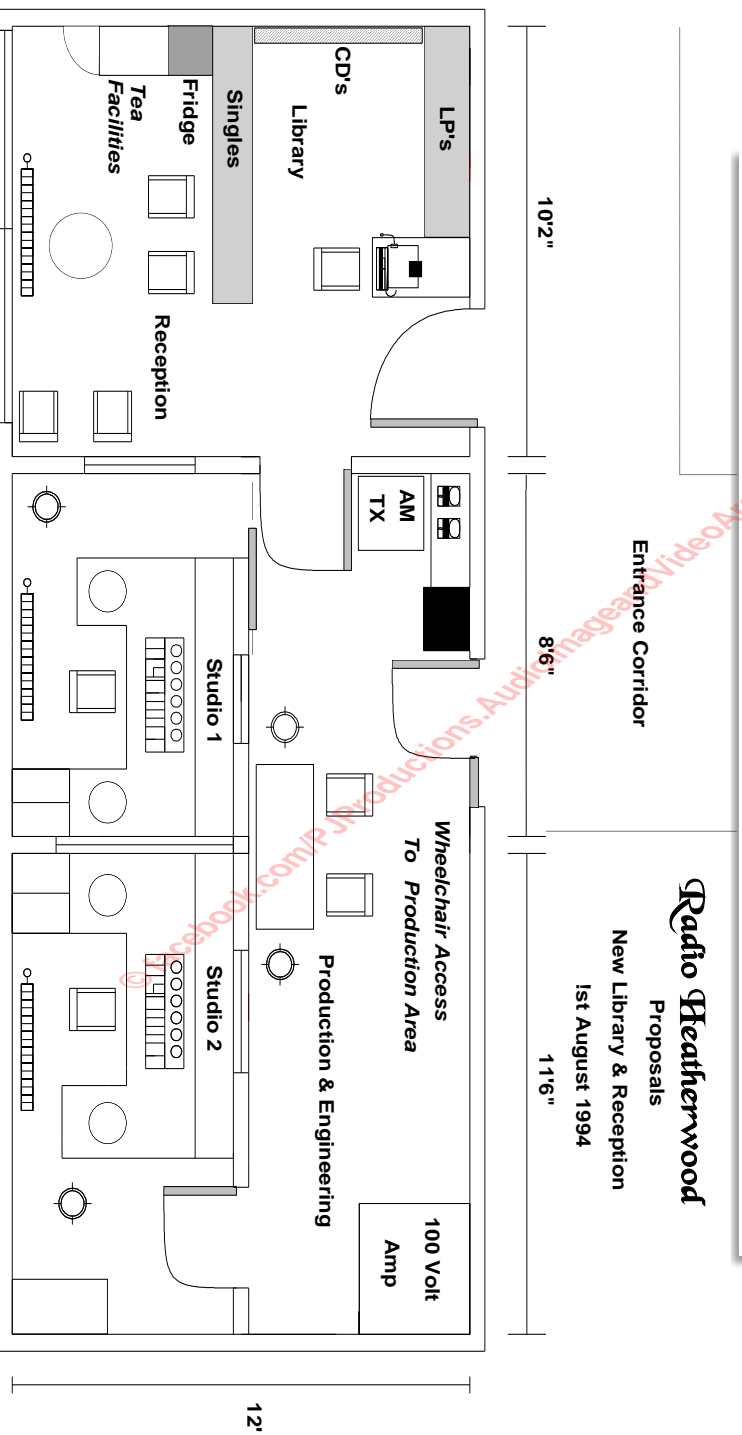
our premises should be kept to a minimum. All permissions have been granted to proceed with the project including Windsor & Maidenhead council approval for the provision of a door/window in the solid wall.

The cost of these improvements including decoration & furnishing will be in the region of £5500. The financial burden this places upon the station is beyond the capabilities of the volunteers who presently need to raise annually £3000 just to maintain the running costs.

We are currently looking towards outside groups for assistance or sponsorship of the project.

Watch This space.

*A Room With A View:
The shape of things to come ?????
But how long will it take ?????*



Team Players



Grand Draw Tickets

All counterfoils of sold tickets must be folded and returned to the Studio by Saturday 17 September. All unsold tickets must also be returned by this date.

If you turn up on the night with the tickets you'll be folding them !!!!

Dave

Some Useful Numbers

Manager
Dave Smith
0344

Secretary
PJ Davidson-Smith
0344

Studio Manager
Gordon Young
Evenings 0344
Work 0252

Mondays.

Lee Henty Team-leader.
Mark Porch Presenter.
Lance Scovell Trainee.
Caroline Dandridge Trainee.

Tuesdays

Alan Holder Team-leader.
Amanda Chivers Jnt Teamleader
Graham Hyman Presenter.
Tony Gardener Presenter.

Wednesdays

David Griffiths Team-leader
Sarah Loader Jnt Team-leader.
Pauline Hipkin Trainee.
Jane Forrest Trainee.

Thursdays

Gordon Young Team-leader.
Rebecca Loader Presenter.
Lisa Jones Trainee.
Kevin Donaldson Trainee.

Fridays

Colin Archer Team-leader.
Roger Hawkes Jnt Team-leader.
Rebecca Loader Presenter.
Craig Titley Trainee.
Paul Del-Nevo Trainee.
Desmond Hutchins Trainee.

Saturdays

Dave Smith Team-leader.
P.J.Davidson-Smith Presenter.
Keith Smith Trainee.

**And then there
was 24**