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NEWSLETTER: November 2020

EDITORIAL

That's what I love about Alive 90.5- the community spirit and support. I now have people volunteering to send me articles for publication in the newsletter, which I think makes our Newsletter that much more interesting. Please remember if something important or eventful has happened to you recently we'd love to know about it. Just send the article through to mail@alive905.com.au

Leonie

CHAIRLADY'S REPORT

What a different event it is this year. To the usual way of meeting and connecting with people, we found another way to do so, virtually being the new norm.

If anyone had predicted the horrible bushfires, followed by the economic-crippling global pandemic that's pretty much shut down the world, I'm not sure we would have believed them... with companies, economies, communities and the world in general coming to what's basically a standstill.

Being human, in the trenches, morally doing the right thing and being transparent about the situation at hand during the pandemic is where I believe true leaders have shone. We thank them all for getting us back on track.

People are the best assets any business or organization will ever have, and I want to say thank you to all our Members, Presenters, Sponsors, and Local Governments for their support during the past year and more. I look forward to another great year with an amazing board to steer us, Alive 90.5 (Cumberland Community Radio Inc.) into 2021. As 2020 draws to a close and brings a new landscape, please join me in congratulating and recognising the amazing achievements within our radio station.

5 FINALISTS in the Community Broadcasting Association.

Accomplished in one of the most challenging years Australians have recently faced. They are all truly outstanding and we commend each finalist on their work in enriching the fabric of local communities.

Thank you for your hard work and ongoing contribution to our local community radio station

Look forward to seeing you at Our Christmas & Awards Celebration on Saturday 28th November 2020, from 11am. Please RSVP to mail@alive905.com.au or call Gillian 0410397530

**A Blessed, Merry Christmas
Happy and safe New Year
to you and your family.**

Gillian Schrickker

Alive 90.5 - Chairlady

CBAA AWARDS

The Virtual Awards Gala Celebrations are broadcast across 3 weeks from Wednesday 28th October 2020 to make it as special as possible, being the awards are not in person. All the Award announcements, and results will be shared daily via the [CBAA Facebook Page](#).

Congratulations to all winners and don't forget to show your support for your sector peers by liking, commenting and sharing the winner announcements posts! You can view the list of winners on the [CBAA website](#), and see videos of their reactions to the news on

the CBAA Facebook page.

NEW PRESENTERS

Urban Kick Off With Kicks – Wednesdays 8-9pm Urban with Kiks plays nothing but the best in old-school urban music including RnB, Hip-Hop, Reggae and plenty more. Kicking off on Alive 905 on 4th November Kiks loves playing music by artists/groups like 112, Blackstreet and Jodeci to name a few. The usual segments of the show are the Urban Kick Off Countdown, In The Mix, Urban Reversals and Where Are You Now. Kiks has been in music and radio for 12 years as a radio show presenter and DJ. He enjoys playing Old School Urban music because it's the music that he grew up listening to and continues to listen to as it gets him and his listeners into a good mood



Dominic Vozzo Tuesday Drive

During his working life Dominic was involved in Sales as a National/State Manager, selling building products for large multinational Companies, such as BHP/Hunter Douglas and Preference Floors. He has always had a love for music and the Entertainment Industry. In the early 80's he enrolled in a 12 week course "The DJ/MC/Radio school and then started his own Disco business - A 1 Discos, which ran for over 25 years. He has been involved in Radio,

producing three of his own shows including Mix show/ Smooth Mix Show/and an Italian show Musica Italliana.

Over the last 32 years he's worked at 2RDJ 88.1FM at Burwood, 2CH 1170am Light and easy at Milsons Point, SWR 99.9am at Blacktown.

We welcome such an experienced broadcaster to Alive 90.5 during his retirement.



NEW OFFICE POSITION

Michael Brock, a Retired Chartered Accountant, worked since the 1980s with Multinational Companies in Japan, USA, and Australia. He took up volunteering after the Paralympics and now likes to volunteer where he can be active. Volunteer positions have included Lifeline (Book Fairs), Fairfield City Council (teaching children about "old days" at their Museum) Australian Museum (Paleontology), in Peru helping a poor community build a school), Thailand - (several visits at Elephant Park). Now looking to keep active at 90.5fm - Currently cleaning up old files and financial systems



SPONSORSHIP

Welcome to our new sponsors **Money Life** and **SE Timbers Floors & Shutters**. We're looking forward to a long and prosperous relationship with you.

WELFARE

How romantic! A surprise proposal. Congratulations to Jodi Schrickker and Aquiles Fernandez



TECHNOLOGY

Update to the Music Library will achieve the following

- Standardise file format to MP3
- Standardise Filenames to **<artist> - <title>.mp3**
- Update metadata using Music Brainz database
- Remove duplicates keeping the highest bitrate/quality file.

JUKE BOX JIVE

A special 'Animal Encounters' night was held on Friday 9th October (9pm-midnight) on rock 'n' roll nostalgia show 'Juke Box Jive', hosted by Kerima-Gae. For several weeks prior listeners were asked to nominate a song with an animal in the song's title or artist's name. As a reward there was a rare Delltones CD to be won, with everyone who nominated a song or songs having one chance in the draw.

Song titles or artist names included a wide and varied array of animals, from the classic 'Running Bear' requested by James of South Hurstville, to the novelty song chosen by Kerima-Gae, Frankie Davidson's 'I Hope Your Chooks Turn Into Emus', even had a couple of mythical ones such as 'The Unicorn' requested by Alan. John from Northmead was very clever with a double 'animal' song, 'Bird Dog'. As was Elizabeth from Greystanes with 'Me and You and a Dog Named Boo' by Lobo (which is the Spanish word for Wolf). John Brock who assists Kerima-Gae each week on Juke Box Jive by answering the phones for all the instant requests, although not eligible to go into the draw, requested 'One Man Band' by Three Dog Night which was written by Billy Fox. Artist's names included Buffalo Springfield, Cat Stevens and Eric Burdon & The Animals with Monterey requested by Kevin of Moorebank.

First prize, a rare Delltones CD plus scratch lottery tickets, was won by 'Rockin' Ronda of Ashfield, who requested the 'Lion Sleeps Tonight' and 'Puff The Magic Dragon'. Second prize went to Peter, one of the many volunteers from the Penrith Museum of Printing, who is a regular listener to Juke Box Jive. Peter's requests included one of the more unusual songs, 'I Know An Old Lady Who Swallowed A

Fly!' "Congratulations to the winners and a big 'Thank You' to all the listeners who made it a very special show".



Ronda is awarded her prize by Kerima-Gae



Peter receiving his prize from Kerima-Gae with John and George of the Penrith Museum of Printing, who are regular listeners to Juke Box Jive

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY

Jim Taggart and Darryn recently interviewed Clayton Pine and the station received an invitation to tour his Tea and Coffee factory. We all learnt amazing new facts about tea and coffee in a very well- run family business that has been significant in Castle Hill for 20 years



Their premises at 17/8 Gladstone Ave



Clayton explains how the coffee is roasted and blended

MEMBERSHIP

22 new members were accepted at the Board meeting on Tuesday night 10th November and already several have taken on important roles. It brings our total membership to 246. We're half way to our target.

NEW MEMBERS

A BIG warm welcome to:
Luke Kirchberger, Karen Price, Albert (Bert) Coquillon, Dominic Vozzo, Mark Bishop, Matt Thomson, Michael Brock, Harry Rutner, Peter Hinton, Darren

Arbon, Janice Pavey, Robert Dewar, Fred Le Tran, Susan Chen, Glenn Bosworth, Mandy Kirkland, Lee Hannaford, Jack Bevan, Simon Quinn, Prasad Wilmalasiri. Lovely to have Mia Van Tubbergh back as well.

Alive Education Committee

This is an exciting development to further enhance presenters' talents and skills. Just look at what the Committee is hoping to achieve for you

The Steering Committee will consist of Ross Fear (Chair), Gillian, Leonie Dixon, Roger Brant AIMS:

1. To develop the skills, knowledge and understanding in various aspects and issues related to broadcasting for presenters and prospective presenters at Alive 90.5 fm

2. To conduct education and training needs analysis among current presenters.

3. To identify skilled and knowledgeable on-call panel of experts in different aspects of broadcasting

4. To Provide a training schedule for hands on training for prospective presenters at Alive 90.5 fm

5. To provide a program structure for VET in Schools Program for secondary students

6. To provide community education in broadcasting and media interviewing and media releases for the local community in Greater Western Sydney, especially for media spokespersons of regional community service organisations and community groups.

7. To develop a broadcasting and radio education and training campus for the Greater Western Sydney with affiliation with VET accredited RTO (s) (hopefully CMTO).

8. To conduct accredited Media VET education for community radio (any and all stations) in Greater Western Sydney.

9. To affiliate with other community education organisations and providers for the potential of affiliated education programs for adult education in broadcasting, media use and interviewee skills.

10. To affiliate with VET and Tertiary education institutions teaching media, journalism, communications for tertiary student placements and projects.

11. To develop an associated role in community education broadcasting for the benefit of either targeted community sectors or in general.

Congratulations to Ross for his successful grant application to get the program up and running

DATES TO REMEMBER

✚ Wed 25th Nov 2020 - General Meeting:

✚ Sat 28th Nov 2020 - Christmas Celebration and awards Presentation here at the station

✚ Thurs 3rd Dec 2020 - OB @ Sydney Zoo, Blacktown