

.7th September 1986

P.O. Box 539, Blackpool.

Thanks once again for all the information, photos, logs and newspaper cuttings received this week. We do appreciate that one or two of those amongst you, are not really into writing much, so, if you wish, you may telephone any news into us on the following number, during office hours...0253 882017. Obviously, due to pressure of work, as a result of producing a weekly news sheet, we would not be able to give out any free radio news on the phone, but if anyone was looking for up to date news, then we suggest that you give a call to the excellent CM Info-line, on 07372 41510, where our good friend Chris Wheeler will have a ready prepared tape message, informing you of the latest activity.

WEEKLY REPORT AND CUTTINGS costs just 30p, posted second class rate within the U.K. Posted first class rate, the charge is 35p. To EIRE and other EEC countries, the charge is also 35p also. Elsewhere in the world, the charge is 50p posted via air mail. You may subscribe for as many weeks as you wish.

THE NEWSPAPER CUTTINGS. For the benefit of people who still only receive the report on its own, this week's B4 sheet contains news about a land-based station in Chelmsford(two articles), news about the Communicator, and reports on the death of a former captain of the radio ship m.v. Mi Amigo(two articles), plus fillers. The price of this sheet is just 10p, plus an SAE(or 30p without).

that the latest edition of Offshore Echo's (No. 62), has still not arrived. We are informed that problems with the printer are once again to blame for the delay......In our quest to find odds and ends to sell our members, we can this week, offer an A5 glossy, Dutch book all about Radio Northsea. entitled, VRIJE RADIO, de geshiedenis van Radio Noordzee. It is, as stated, all in Dutch, but does contain a lot of black and white photographs in it's 56 pages. It also has a colour cover. Some knowledge of Dutch would make the book very interesting indeed. It seems to cover from the start of RNI, right up till 1982. We have only a limited number of these, so send off fairly quickly if you want one. The price is £1.00 including post and packing.....Watch for more 'specials' each week!.....Voice of Peace Postcards continue to sell rather well and we urge people to buy a few and use them to correspond with your friends, continuing to spread the free radio word around. Prices are...25p each, or 5 for £1.00, or 25 for £3.00, or 50 for £5.00, or 100 for £9.00.

NEW ARRIVALS. The excellent Radiotelex, Issue 81, arrived. Another six page 'special' of news, logs, reports and QSL's, and highly recommended for short wave listeners. If you have never seen a copy, send us 40p and we will send you a sample. In it, you will find details of how to subscribe to this excellent publication for yourself.....PLAY-DX Issue 425 arrived also, and contains all the recent logs. Mainly in Italian, but interesting nevertheless. Details from Dario Monferini, via Davanzati 8, 20158 Milan, Italy, enclosing IRC or radio station stickers.

CONTACTS GALORE. Gabe Conway tells us that he is in the process of forming a local branch of the Caroline Movement in South West London, to be called CM Southwest. They will be holding their first meeting on Tuesday 16th September at The Olde Swan public house in Thames Ditton, just off the A308 between Kingston and Esher.

NEW MERCHANDISE. We are sorry to report Non-members are most welcome to go along and it promises to be a very relaxed evening where people interested in radio can meet others and chat over a drink. More details can be obtained from Gabe at 14a Knight's Court, Kingston KT1 2QL.....Ian Scott of 92 Hastings Street, Grangetown, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear SR2 8SW, would like to hear from anyone in his area, who would be interested in getting involved in some free radio activities..... Miss Elaine M. Spence of 3 Grantham Road, North Shore, Blackpool FY1 2RF, would like to obtain any recordings of Brian McKenzie on RNI and Johnnie Walker on Caroline South. Also, she would like to hear from anyone who remembers these stations.....Paul Dumpleton has a recording of Charlie Wolf's New Year's Day Special on Chiltern Radio and also Radio Caroline Christmas Day 1984, with John Lewis doing a tour of the ship. If anyone would like a copy of either, send £2.50 to cover all costs, to 13 Capron Road, Dunstable, Beds LU5 5AG.

> GENERAL CHAT. It is with sadness that we have to report the death of Italian DX-er, Claudio Dondi, on 22nd August. For the last 16 years, Claudio was a very active DX-er, not just in Italy, but also involved with such organisations as 'Sweden calling DX-ers' and the Danish International Short Wave Club. Recently, he was official representative at the EDXC, for the Italian DX organisation, Co.Rad.

Finally, in this section, the 'Buster Birthday Memorial Function' looks all set to be a great success, on Sunday 28th September, from 11.00 till 22.00, at a venue in the Southend area. Admission is by invitation only(please note: no one will be allowed to pay at the door) and these invitations can be obtained on written application to Penelope Page, Monitor, 31 Avondale Raod, Benfleet, Essex, SS7 1EH, enclosing a suitable donation(about £5.00). Many people will be in. attendance, including the A-UK gang and a number of celebrities are expected to make an appearance.

RADIO STATION NEWS...IRELAND. DUBLIN.

We had better start with Sunshine Radio/Hot Hits 101 this week, as, according to all the promos heard, a survey has been carried out(not another!) and the station is now Number One in Dublin. The American voiced promos told us this and also that they had had many calls congratulating them on it. They also went on to say that Phase III is on its way. Listeners were asked to call into their 'downtown' office at 8-11 Lower Baggot Street, in the city.

Over at Q 102, breakfast presenter, Greg Gaughran, returned on Monday, following holidays. However, on Friday, he told us that it was his last early show, and that he would not have to get up early again, or talk to Mike Hogan in the 'Eye in the Sky' helicopter. We presume that a change in line-up is once again on the cards. Shortly before the end of his final breakfast show, Greg held a lengthy discussion with Mike in the helicopter. He told us that he would be back on afternoon shifts as from tomorrow. Scott Williams is expected to take over on this show. Anne Casson, news-reader, also made her return to the station, after her holidays. Following the great success of the recent Sony competitions, the station is holiday giveaway competition in conjunction with the Abrakebabra fast food outlet.....



We're giving away 40 return flights to London and a holiday for 2 in Barbados (with £500 spending money) over four weeks.

You receive another chance at winning in our "Great Escape" each time you eat in "ABRAKEBABRA" at O'Connell Bridge (open 24 hours), Rathmines, Baggot St., Donnybrook, and our latest branch in Crumlin Shopping Centre, all open 7 days a week until 4 a.m.

IMPORTANT YOU MUST RETAIN THIS TICKET

For details of Draw see over.

Each weekday at 8.55 just before the News, tune in to Q102 on 102 & 103.5 FM or 891 AM, when a winning ticket will be drawn live on air. If you hold the number drawn you've automatically won 2 return flights to London plus a chance to win an exotic trip for 2 to Barbados with £500 spending money in the "Q102/ABRAKEBABRA Great Escape quiz".

To claim your prize you must call to Q102, 8, Upper Mount Street, Dublin 2 within 2 hours of the ticket being announced and enter the "Great

Escape Quiz" live on air.

If the prize has not been claimed by 10.55 a new ticket* will be drawn and so on every two hours throughout the day until a winner is found.

*The drawing of a new ticket renders the

previous one null and void.

Remember each time you eat at ABRAKEBABRA you get another chance to join the "Great Escape".

ENERGY 103. The story here, early week, continued to be one of breakdowns with the 738khz., AM transmitter. This was even mentioned on the air, as FM seemed unaffected at this time. Most of Monday's AM transmissions were lost. They returned at 16.20, but went off yet again, and returned later with test tones etc. A much reduced signal was thereafter noted. However, normal signal strength has since been restored.

A new English weekend presenter has been noted, his name, Richard Cooke, although one report

mentioned his name as Richard Kingston.

KISS FM. This station has also been experiencing problems with transmitters this week. The 1116khz. transmitter has been off for a time, and local reports tell us that the FM transmissions were interupted at times.

Liberties Local Community Radio. Yet more problems! This time with FM here. The AM signal

on 1035khz., seems OK though.

Excellent FM conditions on Thursday evening, in fact, the best this year, brought the following selection of stations into this grateful household... 100.5/101.0/101.5mhz...Sunshine Radio.

102.1/103.5mhz.....Q 102.

103.0mhz..... Energy 103.

98.1/99.1/100.1mhz....Boyneside Radio.

99.0mhz.....Phoenix Radio.

95.8mhz......Nitesky(Capitol).

94.8/104.1mhz.....Kiss FM.

105.1mhz......Radio Dublin.

99.5mhz.....Treble T.R. Radio.

99.9mhz......North Dublin Community Radio.

100.7mhz......Radio Carousel.

101.2mhz......Community Radio Wexford.

97.8mhz...........Unid., presumably B.L.B.(Bray).

99.2mhz......Unid., possibly Radio West.

A station on 102.4mhz., relaying Boyneside Radio, was also heard with a good signal, but low audio.

Several of the stations were logged, despite strong local U.K. stations on the same frequencies.

This is the first time we have received Nitesky, Phoenix, Carousel or West at this location.



"Tune it in . . . and turn it up, The "all new sound" in South Dublin.

Broadcasting live every day on 99 FM in Super Stereo. It's the only true Southside station.

PHOENIX RADIO "THE POWER STATION"

P.O. BOX 1875, DUBLIN 18. Telephone: 858579, Unit 2.

SWORDS.—Radio Na nGael has not been noted on 1350khz., for a few days. Reasons are unknown. WICKLOW. WLCB seems to be off more than on, 1584khz., at present, although it is thought that their FM service, locally, on 101.8mhz. is un-affected. Despite a number of low power FM's being logged here last Thursday, we were not able to log this one.

ENFIELD, Co. MEATH. The station on 107.35mhz., logged by Brian in Dungannon recently, now appears to have a name, according to reports, East Midlands Radio. Broadcasts are said to be 18 hours per day.

MULLINGAR. There was no free radio show on Radio West today. Station owner, Sean Coyne(Captain West on the air) claimed this was due to show presenter, Phil Hilton, leaving at short notice, to join Sunshine Radio in Dublin. He did say, however, that the show would continue, once he had sorted things out. He then played a tape of KIIS FM in Los Angeles. The other station in this town, which has been on low power for a couple of weeks, Midway Radio, has now restored the original good strong signal on 1494khz.

BALLINASLOE. Kandy Radio, heard recently under Radio Carousel Navan, on 1386khz., has been positively identified by Brian in Dungannon. Having said that, we logged an advert for Ballinasloe during the week.

GALWAY. WLS Music Radio station owner, Don Stevens, tells us that despite reports that something is amiss, things are going smoothly at the station. Tony Allan and Keith York are both there, and Tony is currently revamping the news service. A new newsroom is in operation and Tony has some exciting plans for the future. Keith can be heard on Drivetime once again, with Steve Marshall on through the night and Don Stevens on Sunrise Special.

Solid Gold Sunday is still the major Sunday morning show. Some staff have been shedded, but the remaining ones, we are told, are worth their weight in gold. The station can be heard on 846khz.(and was heard in Athlone last week) and on 102.7mhz., locally.

Co. KERRY. Reports from Joe and Jane on holiday there, tell us that in Tralee, three stations could be heard....Radio Phoenix on 98.1mhz. with an all pop format, although more adverts than music were noted! WRKY(ROCKY 103) was by far the most professional station in that area, and despite the excellent FM signal being logged about 40 miles away, they could not help but wonder why the station had no medium wave transmitter, which would greatly extend their coverage area. A diet of non stop hits, along with an acceptable amount of adverts, promos and jingles were noted. The third station, which remained un-named was a community type station, again, on FM only, with some adverts, plenty of community news and music.

CORK. Pam Wilson, formerly with WBEN has now appeared with regular shows on Radio ERI, along with George Talbot, Liam Quigley, Barry Falvey, Derry O'Callaghan and Mark Lawrence. The station is reported as sounding better than it has done for some time. On WBEN, Nick Richards and Neil Francis have both returned and can now be heard daily. Hugh Browne can be heard each evening, not morning, as we stated in an earlier issue. Centre Radio, formerly Leeside Sound, continues, but they aren't thought to have that many listeners. Sunshine Radio appears from time to time, during the night. Finally, South Coast Radio have moved to new premises in Marloboro Street, but as yet, have not made it back on air.

THE VOICE OF PEACE. No news reports from the sunny Med., this week, but Paul Graham in Leicester tells us that he logged the station last Tuesday morning on 1530khz., at 02.40 with a positive identification. Stuart Clark was then heard to play the Rolling Stones' "Sympathy for the Devil", then John Lennon's "No.9 Dream". Vatican Radio re-commenced transmissions at 03.00 and reception thereafter was totally impossible.

THE OTHER OFFSHORE VENTURES. Little news, other than what keeps appearing in the press(see cuttings), although, as regards the Communicator, it does seem to be close to being sold and a report on Anglia television apparently confirmed just this. Obviously, Mr Anderson, of EAP, will have to sell the vessel, unless of course, he has plans to operate it himself somehwere else in the world.

CAROLINE. This week saw the return of Peter Phillips, with his first shows since the end of July. Peter replaced John Dwyar on the 1300 slot on Monday, with John moving to the late evening show at 2100. Mondays line-up read...0500 John Lewis...0900 Richard Jackson...1300 Peter Phillips...1700 Dave James...2100 John Dwyar...0100 Caroline Martin. This placement of John Dwyar at this time seems to be permanent, as Jamie King has now left the ship. The only other change during the week, was another swapping around

of shows, this time between Peter Phillips and Richard Jackson. Since Tuesday, the line-up has read...0500 John Lewis...0900 Peter Phillips...1300 Richard Jackson...1700 Dave James...2100 John Dwyar...0100 Caroline Martin. The station seems to be closing on weekdays at 0200, on both 558kHz and 963kHz, but reverting to the normal 24 hour service on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. According to announcements read by Tom Anderson on 963kHz, this will be the case for the next two weeks, whilst technical improvements are made.

On the news bulletins, Richard Jackson once again read said during the breakfast show on Monday, but by Tuesday had been replaced by John Tyler, who so far has only done shows on the 'Overdrive' service. John Tyler read his last bulletin this week, on Saturday morning. Since Jamie King has now gone on 'leave', both the lunchtime and afternoon news has been shared between Peter Phillips and John Lewis. Richard Jackson hosted two shows on Saturday morning. The first being his own breakfast programme, and following only one hour of John Lewis, between 0900 and 1000, he did another 3 hours until 1300. It is not known at present why John left after one hour, and GBH Bitter is not thought to have been the problem, as John stated there wasn't any beer in the studio. However John has been one of the victims of some sort of 'flu' virus, which has already plagued other members of the ship's company during the last couple of weeks. Mark Wathews also made a welcome return to the Ross Revenge this week, and was first heard reading the news on 558kHz on Saturday afternoon. He hosted his first show over on 963kHz, the same evening. There has only been two new commercials aried this week, as far as we could tell here. The first was for another Brighton Record Fair, to be held today, 7th September. Various versions of the advert, relevent to the day it was to be broadcast, were played up until today(Sunday). The other advert was a new recording of the Superior Leisurewear promotion, this time for Caroline Caroline 'Overdrive' has again been on Sweat Shirts. the receiving end of reduced hours. As stated earlier in this section, Tom Anderson told us over the air, that the station would be closing at 0200 for the next 2 weeks, apart from weekends. This has meant that Tom has been finishing his show early at midnight, which started at 2130, and John Tyler has been starting early at 0000 and finishing off the nights programmes at 0200. The changoever between shows reverts to 0100 at the weekend, and Saturday saw Mark Matthews back on the air from 2100, playing some excellent selections of rock music, until John Tyler took over at 0100. Before Mark ended his show, he said that he may be back on the air at 0400, to give Ad Roberts a bit of 'hassle' with the 'International Breakfast Show' on Radio Monique. As far as we could tell, he did 'lend a hand' in the show, but the signal here, was lost beneath a Spanish station, and so was unlistenable.

CURRENT DX POSSIBILITIES. Despite the short wave and FM being the worst for many years, in this area, strange things seem to have happened on medium wave, involving trans-Atlantic DX. We would normally expect to get the majority of North American stations during the Winter months, but at present, these stations seem to be coming in better now, than they were in January. An example, last night here, beat any night during last Winter, as stations were heard on almost every channel, even 'graveyard' channels, except where a European station was exactly on that frequency. Perhaps we should give up short wave and FM and stay up all night instead, to log these stations!

LAND-BASED STATIONS. LIVERPOOL. Nothing has been heard during he week past, even the ILR relay on 1026khz. by a 'pirate', seems to have gone off. Saturday saw a brief appearance of what we assumed to be Central Radio on 1404khz. It was heard signing off at 14.30. Today, Central were on air again, on the same channel and were noted switching off at 12.55, but were heard back on, later in the afternoon. Anfield Community Radio appeared as promised, on 1431khz.(v), around lunchtime today and were announcing programming until 18.00. Radio Veronica, it appears, made a return to the airwaves last Sunday, although the signal here was non-existant. However, this week, the signal is slightly better and some programming was noted during the afternoon. The frequency was approximately 104.8 mhz. According to Tim Jackson in his Liverpool Report of last week, the recent TV concert, "Rock Around the (Albert) Dock",

on Granada TV, which was promoted by Radio City, was

broadcast by Radio Veronica, the night after the actual concert

took place, thus beating the ILR station who promoted it,

by several weeks. Tim also logged Slag Off Int., last weekend, on 103.5/6mhz. They promised further broadcasts over the weekend, but nothing more was heard, it seems. Another quiet week on the radio scene, then, in this area.

NORTH WALES. Radio Annabelle continues to operate each Sunday, on 92.4mhz. Current lineup is 10.00 Les Martin. 11.00 Ray Clark. 12.00 Paul Lloyd. 14.00 Steve Davis. 16.00 Paul Roberts. 18.00 Steve Jones. 20.00 Les Martin. 22.00 Close-down.

THE MIDLANDS. PCRL were reported to have been raided during the week, again, but were back on the air by Saturday night, according to our logger. However, he could not hear them Sunday, possibly due to the extremely strong signal from Sunshine Radio in Ludlow. Both stations were on around 103.5mhz. Regarding the latter station, the programme line-up appears to be...08.00 Chris Lane. 10.00 Bob Anderson. 12.00 Heather Muldoon. 13.00 Roger Matthews. Laura Scott followed Roger Matthews until 16.30, then 'Cathy' finished the day's programming until 18.00. The format of the station is much different to what it used to be. There are now, very few announcements, and the accent seems to be more on keeping the music to a maximum.

LONDON AREA. A station calling itself S.O.S. Radio(Soul over Stevenage), has been reported being heard in Dunstable. It is on air from 19.00 till 22.00 on Monday evenings, on 105.5mhz. However, the station does not announce a mailing address for any contact. Following more raids last weekend, silencing many pirates, by mid week, London Greek Radio had re-appeared, followed by London Weekend Radio. Today, Alice's Restaurant was on air, along with Kiss FM.

THE SOUTH COAST. Last Sunday, ABC Radio(Eastbourne) suspended their normal programmes, and instead, put out a continuous loop tape, announcing that they were having technical problems and would be back the following Sunday at 19.00. Radio Sovereign was logged on 103.5mhz., today, from the same area.

Finally, we have been informed that Sunderland Community Radio Association are having a day of action in Sunderland Market Square, on Saturday 20th September next. They will be broadcasting as Wear Radio from 10.00 till 15.00 on 97.0 mhz.

SHORTWAVE STATIONS....Today's Log
5945kHz....Radio Caroline 558 (off-air relay), at 0949gmt.

6206kHz....Unid., at 1055gmt 6206kHz....Unid., at 1250gmt

6218kHz....Riverside Radio, at 0955gmt

6230kHz....Radio East Coast Commercial, at 1015gmt

6238kHz....Unid., at 1100-1200gmt

6261kHz....Radio Skywave Int., at 1020gmt

6266kHz....4FWS (via Orion), at 0937gmt

6266kHz....Radio Orion, at 1059gmt.

6280kHz....Westide Radio Int., at 0756gmt.

6284kHz....Unid.(Gamma?), at 0925gmt.

6295kHz....Radio Sovereign, at 0930gmt.
6310/2kHz..Voice Of Hope(via R. Ireland), at 0952gmt.

6310/2kHz..Radio Ireland Int., at 1032kHz.

6319kHz....FMTR, at 0853gmt.

6322kHz....Radio Normaal, at 0841gmt.

6910kHz....Radio Dublin, at 0943gmt.

7357kHz....Radio 101, at 0848gmt.

7375kHz....Radio Waves Int., at 1035gmt.

As last week, the logs in bold were received here in Blackpool, and others were logged by friends in Scotland, Midlands and on the South Coast who were kind enough to supply them.

Conditions on shortwave today were quite good. Conspicuous by their absence during the late morning were Radio Rainbow on 6240kHz, and Westside Radio on 6280kHz, although Westside did transmit an early morning programme which signed off shortly after 0800, with Prince Terry announcing he would be back at the normal time, next week. Nothing is known about the relay of Radio Caroline on 5945kHz, but it does seem to be taken from MW, judging by the quality of the audio on the signal. The old Radio Caroline Shortwave, which was on the air between the sinking of the Mi Amigo, and the start of transmissions from the Ross Revenge, did however, transmit a few tests on frequencies around that part of the 49m.b.

Amendments to last week's log of Sunday 31st August, from SSM in Surrey(Podney is away at present)...6206kHz. Radio LS, at 1025gmt; 6910kHz. Radio Dublin, at 0927gmt.



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After a rather quiet spell, back this week with lots of action, news, cuttings and merchandise, so, with the minimum of fuss, off we go.

Weekly Report and Cuttings costs just 30p per week, posted second class within the United Kingdom. First class, and also to all EEC countries(including Eire), the cost is 35p per week. Elsewhere, the cost is 50p per week, posted via air mail.

The Data Protection Act 1984 makes it necessary for us to inform you that in order to speed up our mail outs, names and addresses are stored on computer. You have the right to ask to have them removed at any time, and we will duly oblige. However, such names and addresses, not stored in the above mentioned way, may experience delays in the despatch of any mail sent.

The Cuttings, this week, for the benefit of people only receiving Weekly Report, amount to two B4 sheets, both reduced down from A3. These two busy sheets features many interesting items taken from the press of the last few days, and include....an excellent page taken from City Limits magazine, detailing many free radio publications and featuring an interview with ourselves, a second feature, again by the same journalist, John Mulholland, from the Observer colour supplement, all about (TX) Magazine, an article from The Guardian about radio in the U.K., some news about the Communicator(two items), Laser skipper fined(two items), several stories from the Irish press about Sunshine Radio, a religious station and the Dublin stations generally, plus other smaller pieces. The price for these two excellent sheets is 20p(plus an SAE) or 40p(without the SAE).

we doing well?).....'Caroline' by The Fortunes... The new version, a Dutch pressing on the BR Music label, as played recently on the station, first recorded in 1971, re-issued in 1985, now deleted, in a picture sleeve(picture of the group, not the ship!). Price is just £3.00. Again, please note, we only have a very few...SEND TODAY IF YOU WANT ONE......The Mi Amigo Theme Tune by Bronx, with Radio Mi Amigo jingles on the flip side. A Belgian pressing, on the Monopole label, in a picture sleeve(of the ship, not the group, this time!). Price is also £3.00 and we must point out that we have even fewer of these!....To clear..one or two copies of the current World Radio TV Handbook, originally retailing at £17.95....now just £12.00....coming soon..one or two items of Radio Nova memorabilia(Sweat-shirts etc.) to clear, now that it looks fairly certain the station will not return(see news items later)....coming very soon..Offshore Echo's, Issue 62. This magazine was delayed at the printer in France. He has now finished and the said mag. is currently at the mercy of the postal people. We expect it any day. Please note: Offshore Echo's Issue 61(the last one) is completely sold out.....Wavelength, Issue 11 is now in stock with a very smart blue cover this time. 12 pages of A5, with plenty of offshore and short wave news. Price is 60p. Subscriptions are available via Wavelength direct.

NEW ARRIVALS. We received our first Christmas card today!...early?, not really, CM Thanet are selling them. They tell us that these A5 tent cards, with a sketch of the Ross, in red, on white, with suitable festive messages

NEW MERCHANDISE. More specials(aren't surrounding, come in packs of eight and cost £1.50, plus 20p post and packing. Supplies are available from CM Thanet, 121 Monkton Street, Monkton, Ramsgate, Kent, CT12 4JQ.....Falcon/I,R,R,S. News, Issue No.1 is out. News and information about the above two organisations. Two A4 sheets initially, for just 1 x 22p plus 1 x 17p stamp for the U.K.(2 x 22p for EEC) from Falcon/I, R, R, S. Newsletter, P.O. Box 1686, Dublin, Eire.... Media Monitor, Issue 35, now available for 50p for a sample copy, from Roger Tidy, 11 St. Philip House, Lloyd Baker Street, London WClX 9BA. general news, legal and pirate within it's pages....BRS News, Issue No.1, August 1986. All about the London pirates here, 16 pages of A4 for just 80p, from "Glenburn" Cardigan Road, London OBH(cheques/P.O.'s to A. Gordon please). This organisation has quite an extensive sales catalogue, but wishes to point out that their catalogues are currently out of print for about 4-6 weeks. After this period, send an A4 size SAE or 25p to their address above.....This month's C.L.C.G. Magazine arrived during the week which is published in German, by the Clandestines Listener's Club of Germany. More information from CLCG, Postfach 540101, D-4100 Duisburg II, West Germany.

WANTED. Lady D.J. for short wave station. Please send short demo to R.X., 3 Rosewarne Cottages, Rosewarne Downs, Camborne, Cornwall TR14 OBE. If you wish your cassette returned, please enclose return postage.

D.J.'s required immediately for the Voice of Peace, apply to P.O. Box 539 or telephone (0253) 882017.

GENERAL. If you have a small advert, or wish

to go into 'Contacts Galore', drop us a line, this service is free of charge, as long as the message is brief. Of course, large adverts can be accepted as an 'insert' and these can be either 1, 2, 3 or 4 x A5 sheets, or 1 or 2 x A4 sheets each week. We do the printing, just send for details. For a small charge, our box number can be used for certain things(not a radio station mailing address), but again, please write and enquire about your particular use..... A fortnight today(28th) sees the 'Buster' Birthday Memorial Function in Southend. We shall be there along with lots of other organisations and a number of celebrities. If you have not yet obtained an invitation, and you can only get in with one of these, please write at once to Penelope Page, Monitor Magazine, 31 Avondale Road, Benfleet, Essex, SS7 lEH., enclosing a suitable donation(about £5)....the night before this function sees the first birthday party of CM Thanet. Again, this function is ticket only from CM Thanet at the address mentioned earlier. Further details can be obtained by ringing Jenny Knight on (0843) 821112.

THE CHANGING LAWS OF PHYSICS! It seems as though the laws of physics have changed in Britain yet again in the past few weeks! For years, since 1964 even, we have been constantly told by authorites, that there are absolutely no frequencies left, for us to enjoy an expansion of our radio system to involve 'free or community' radio stations. However, miraculously we suddenly find that the BBC has begun to transmit with a view to using same for the proposed new station, BBC Essex, on no less than 3 MW frequencies, 2 of which have never been used in the U.K. before, 729 and 765khz. It does seem as if there is a conspiracy between the BBC and IBA to fill as many frequencies as possible, so that no one else has the chance of broadcasting. It is also as though, the Home Office have told the BBC and IBA to fill up the band, as soon as possible, so they can justify their claims of lack of frequencies. For instance, in 1964, only a handful of frequencies were used in the U.K., out of over a hundred possible. Today, more than half this figure is occupied by U.K. stations, or relays of same, mostly of Radio 2, and particularly at night, and considering the increase in the number of channels used, there has been virtually no increase in choice of programming. So much for the claims of the British system of being the best in the world!

RADIO STATION NEWS...IRELAND. DUBLIN. We always used to start this section every week with Radio Nova. Today, for the very last time, we shall do the same thing.....From the popular Irish magazine, "The Phoenix" of August 15th 1986, the following, under the heading "SPANGLES WITHDRAWS". 'The postscripts are already piling up to mark the end of Chris 'Spangles' Cary's pirate radio empire.

Take 'Novapark' near Rathfarnham for example, where the teeny boppers once flocked to see their favourite D.J.'s in the flesh, as it were.

It was to this eyrie in the foothills of the mountains that Spangles repaired when things got too hot in town. here he had his aerials, transformers and generators, as well as broadcasting studios, to replace the facilities in Herbert Street, under siege from Nova's striking staff.

Radio Nova, as we all know, was illegal and so too, was all the broadcasting equipment at Woodtown, above Rathfarnham. But Cary at least tried to keep up appearances by seeking permission from Dublin County Council, to 'retain' his unauthorised developements there.

Sad to relate, the latest county council list notes that Nova Media Services, as Cary's outfit was called, has withdrawn it's appeal in the matter.'

That, in our eyes, is the end of another era. Whilst that appeal was still there, there was still just a glimmer of hope that this once proud station would return. Alas, now, it never will. Treasure your recordings, the video, the memorabilia etc. For us, the magic of hearing the first transmissions on FM, in June 1981, the success that followed and the D.J.'s names, many now household words, will always stay in our memory.

Back to reality though, and this week, the No. 1 station(Sunshine Radio last week) has upset RTE who seem concerned enough to issue a statement saying that the latest ratings survey, conducted by Sunshine Radio, was a 'quirk'. It does appear that the station is gaining listeners though, and those tuned in, will have heard promos for

'Phase III', although what it is, as yet remains a mystery. Former Radio West presenter, Phil Hilton, is now on air, although, at the weekend and unheard, during the 'Back to back hot hits weekend' format.

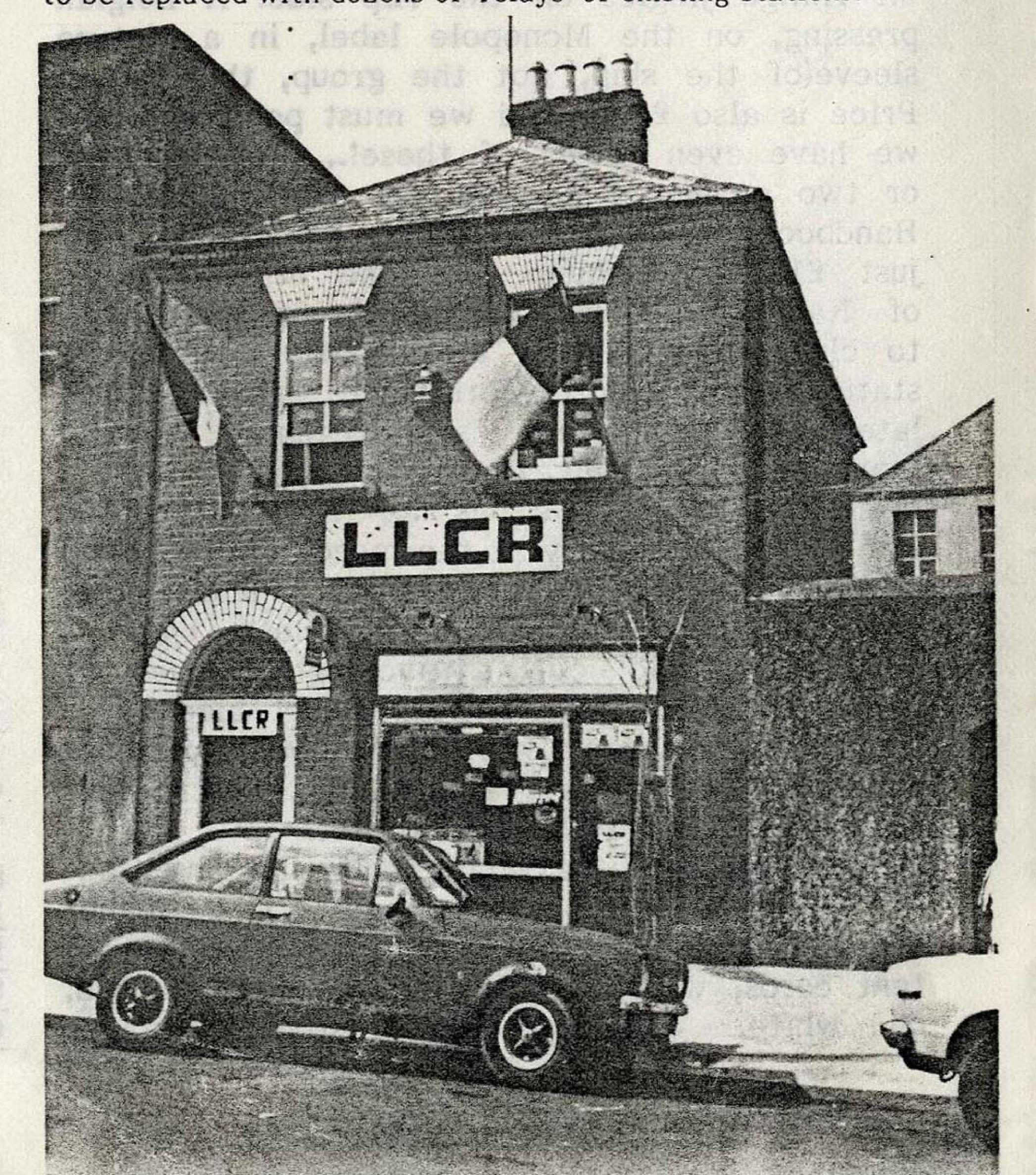
Apologies to the recent '101 Hits of Summer' winner. We spelt her name incorrectly(not surprisingly), and it should have read...Bronagh O'Flanagan.(pictured in cuttings).

We can now confirm that Robbie Dale 'soundalike', the excellent Ernie Gallagher, has left the station, and been replaced by 'Nails'(definitely not his real name!) Maloney, equally excellent.

Finally, regular listeners this weekend will have heard frequent mentions of new studios etc. We wonder if the station has moved into town from their North County Dublin headquarters. One rumour heard very recently, suggested that the 100.5mhz. transmitter has been moved from it's Portmarnock location, elsewhere. This would certainly tie up with the other suggestion above.

Q 102 appeared with their new line-up on Monday...it reads....06.00 Scott Williams. 10.00 Dave Kelly. 13.00 Henry Owens. 16.00 Greg Gaughran. 19.00 Jason Maine. Midnight Al Dunne. The Abrakebabra/Q 102 competition started last Monday and winning tickets are now being drawn regularly. The winners join the 'Great Escape', with return flights to London being the prize.

Energy 103 seem to have solved most of their problems with the 738khz. MW transmitter, although some slight problems were again noted during the week. Good FM conditions from time to time, brought in a report of the FM transmissions, on 103.0mhz., being received in Oxford last week. These transmissions have not been heard here, mainly due to a local ILR station on the same channel, however, as mentioned before, if we travel about thirteen miles inland, the ground rises sharply and the ILR station can not be heard and Energy takes it's place. We have been asked to give the Ordnance Survey grid reference for anyone wishing to visit this particular spot, in order to sample a taste of Dublin FM, within the U.K. It is SD 535495, and can be reached very simply and quickly by leaving the M.6 at either turn off 32 or 33 and seeking out the country road, parallel, and to the East of the M.6. There are doubtless other such spots and one which springs to mind is Anglezarke Moor near Horwich, but with Winter Hill and all it's aerials on there, in close proximity, this may not now be as good as the first one. Further FM reports at hand mention that in the Midlands(Staffordshire area), Sunshine Radio can often be received, along with Q 102, depending on what emergency services are resident on that particular piece of the band. We are assured that by 1990, all these 'services' will have moved, no doubt, only to be replaced with dozens of 'relays' of existing stations!



Back to Dublin though, and good news from Liberties Local Community Radio, the station set up by Sammy Prendergast, the aerial expert, who tell us that following his recent success on Manx Radio, Peter Madison has been appointed general station manager. Improved medium wave transmissions on 1035khz., have been noted of late, although FM transmissions are not as good, although a big improvement is promised here.

In issue 121 of "WR", we mentioned briefly a religious station in Dublin, called C.C.(Christian Community) Radio on 90.2 mhz. It is run by an organisation called C.C. Centre and the transmitter is believed to be at the headquarters at 22 Merrion Square, Dublin 2. The director of the C.C. Centre and the person who seems to broadcast the most, is Mr T.C. Gerard O'Mahony, who is a solicitor. The programming is mainly of a religious nature. The problem is, the station is on a frequency very close to the FM frequency of BBC Radio 1/2, which is broadcast from Northern Ireland, which in turn affects reception of the latter for a lot of people in Dublin city who wish to listen to the BBC. CC's signal is quite strong it appears, although the sound quality is far from good. A number of articles have appeared in the press about the station and one can be found in this week's cuttings sheet. Despite complaints, no attempts seem to have been made to rectify the interference.

A new station logged locally, on 106.5mhz., is Diamond Radio, although not thought to have any connection with the station of the same name broadcasting a couple of years ago, on 1557khz.

Other stations noted locally over the past week.... Hospital Radio on 97.3mhz., Radio Caroline Dublin on 105.4 and 98.5 mhz. and K 104 on 104.7 mhz.

Radio Galaxy on 1512khz., has been heard here a couple of times in the week, notably on Wednesday and Friday(this one was stated to be a test), with station owner, Tony Boylan. Tony is shortly retiring to the Isle of Man and we think he may be having a 'final fling'. The normal 78's Show on Sunday was broadcast as usual this week.

In last week's report, we mentioned that someone was relaying Boyneside Radio on 102.4mhz. We have since learnt that these transmissions were in fact Boyneside Radio, with their new Dublin relay. Apparently some problems were encountered and interference to Q 102 was reported, therefore the station moved to 102.6 mhz., whereupon, LLCR told them that that was their channel, although it was off the air due to being broken down. A further move was then made to 105.5mhz., this too, has been received here. In an interview on the Radio West free radio programme, Boyneside Radio supremo, Heady Eddie, stated that big things were in the pipeline, with a new slick, American style, high power FM 'on the cards' very soon indeed, with high power transmissions, able to be heard in both Belfast and Dublin. Radio West replied by saying that they too, had similar plans, but with their service area stretching from Galway to Dublin.

MULLINGAR. Radio West, again, on the free radio show, mentioned that they were on the point of changing around their frequencies, putting the powerful 765khz. transmitter on 702khz., and the smaller 702 one on 765, and covering Galway and the West coast with it. The reason for this move is the fact that as the nights draw in, the foreigner on 765 can be heard louder and louder, even in Mullingar(about 7 miles from the transmitter). BBC Essex have also put a transmitter on 765 and this too, is audible here in Blackpool, under West(during the day). Today's free radio show was done solely with station owner, Sean Coyne, who seemed very competent on his own. He went on to say that next week's show(on 702khz.) would be at the earlier time of 10.30 BST.

LONGFORD. Longford Community Radio continues to be heard loud and clear over a massive area. Even here in Blackpool, with two big Radio 1 transmitters on 1053 and 1089khz., the signal is clear with a good receiver, on 1071khz. It is thought that the station must have a very good transmitter site, together with with an efficient, well-matched aerial.

BALLINASLOE. Derek in Preston has heard a positive identification of Kandy Radio on 1386khz., under Radio Carousel Navan.

CORK. Confirmation from here, that Tony Allan has

definitely left WBEN. We mentioned last week that he has been reportedly involved in revamping the news service at WLS Music Radio in Galway. Also in Cork, reports tell us that South Coast Radio is experiencing problems with their FM transmissions. The 104mhz. transmitter being on and off, plus the old 102.3mhz. being put back on.

WATERFORD. Following a recent visit there by one of our star reporters and colleague ... we received the following news....."Our first trip was to Waterford Local Radio(WLR) which we were most impressed with, having known basically nothing about the station before we got there. The station comprises of, on the first floor, a reception area and an office for the compilation of news. The second floor saw the onair studio, a very impressive production studio and another reception room to entertain potential advertisers. We were veryy surprised to find that this was the only station using NAB cartridge machines, and advertisingwise, they seemed to be doing very well, although ABC Radio was certainly the most listened to station as we walked around the city. The station address is WLR, Georges Street, Waterford. Tel No: (051)72248 or 77592. They broadcast on 88.8mhz. FM stereo(but were only on mono whilst we were there) and 1197khz.AM.

Our next visit took us to Crystal City Sound, upstairs, at the back of George White's Pub on a side street, off Georges Street. The on-air and production studios were both off the main reception area. We arrived in the middle of the country music hour, and as we understand it, CCS has the oldest listenership of the three stations heard in the city, catering for the lovers of country, traditional and folk music. The studio was fairly basic, i.e. mixer, tape decks and record decks, as was the production studio. The record library, found in the production studio was in a bit of a mess though. It struck us that this station catered well for it's target audience and presented no threat whatsoever to the other two pop sttaions on the air.

Our final trip was to ABC Radio at 4 Arundel Square, where we felt very much at home in the sales office, with various 'Anoraky' pictures on the wall. We were surprised when we saw that the station did not use Nab carts., but, cassettes instead, but after observing for a while, we came to the conclusion that if every station used cassettes the way ABC did, Nab carts. would be obsolete in no time!

Final conclusions drawn by us, was that if WLR combined it's local D.J.'s, it's equipment and it's very welcome hospitality with ABC's sheer professionalism and experience, then an unbelievably successful mega-station would emerge. All in all, we were more than impressed by the high standard of radio presentation in Waterford City, especially when compared with the stations in Cork, maybe with the exception of Radio ERI, which is fast becoming more poplular and professional".

Our thanks this week to Siobhan, Joe and Jane, Brian, Phil, Sean, Eddie, Kieran and Vincent.

THE VOICE OF PEACE. No news this week, from the Mediterranean.

SEALAND. All quiet here again, after the excitement of the last few weeks.

THE COMMUNICATOR. Reports keep appearing in the press(see cuttings) that the ship/station has been sold. However, no statement has been made at all, confirming or denying same.

THE NANNELL. Although not in the same position as it has been for some time, the ship is thought to be in the very near vicinity. It appears that lack of money/a backer is the main cause of it's nonappearance and all one can do, as in all cases is 'wait and see what happens'.

CAROLINE We started this week, with the same line-up as we ended last week...0500 John Lewis...0900 Peter Phillips...1300 Richard Jackson...1700 Dave James...2100 John Dwyar. The closedowns during the week, have been at various times (0100 on Monday, and midnight on Wednesday), so Caroline Martin, has not been heard doing a regular show. However, time permitting, she does still spin the records in the early hours of the morning (normally after 0100). On Thursday, Kevin Turner returned to the airwaves on the late evening show, after a couple of weeks holiday on dry land. He now appears to have replaced John Dwyar at this time, and John seems to have left the ship. Current weekday lineup now reads...0500 John Lewis...0900 Peter Phillips...1300 Richard Jackson...1700 Dave James...

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2100 Kevin Turner...0100 Caroline Martin. How long Kevin Turner will stay at the 2100 slot isn't known, as he has always been very successful on the daytime shows.

On news this week, John Tyler has continued to read the morning bulletins and Mark Matthews has been reading it in the afternoon/evening. Yet more new commercials have been aired this week. One advert was for Earl Shive(?), who deal in car re-sprays, and improving the appearance of your car. Brand new U.S. and Japanese hi-fi at reduced prices was offered, in a 'shopping by telephone' advert. Enquirers are to phone Sue the 'tele-ad' girl in London, or write to 2 London Bridge Walk, London SE1, and if they mention Caroline can get further discount or a free gift. The final new advert this week, was for two furniture sales, one for saturday, at a pub in Hampton Court, and the other, for today(sunday), again at a pub, but this time in Staines, Middlesex.

'A couple of 'new' jingles have been aired this week(ones that we certainly can't remember hearing before), which had a distinct American accent on them. We are not sure as yet whether these jingles are brand new, or just ones that have been lying about for a while. Also of note this week, was the greater number of 'classic' 70's tracks that seem to have been appearing in various shows, making a pleasant mixture of music in the programming. John continued his amusing breakfast shows this week, by reading extracts from a 'Book of Insults', from which he took various phrases which could be used insult or embarass people in certain situations. On Thursday shortly after 1400, Richard Jackson mentioned that a Dutchman was painting the 'dangerous' parts of the masts, in various colours. Apparently most of the work to get the mast ready for winter has now been carried out, and only one or two things now remain to be completed. Power is reported to be currently 6.2kW on 558kHz, and 22kW on 963kHz. Saturday saw the announcement of a 'major catastrophe', which happened when Kevin Turner and John Lewis decided to bottle up the latest batch of GBH Bitter(or should it be renamed koss's Revenge?)...40 pints had turned to vinegar because someone had let a 'fly' in whilst it was still fermenting. Another 'shock' came through John's show on Saturday morning when he said that during a party the previous night . he had stayed on Orange Juice. Perhaps the loss of 40 pints of GBH had put him off drinking? The U.S Air Force have again been 'buzzing' the ship this week, and at one point got so close to the ship, they 'scared the living daylights' out of the crew, according to comments heard on air at various times.

The mystery thought to have been cleared up about the Mi Amigo mast, has now re-appeared. At 0720 on Friday, John said that he had seen the mast the previous day. However we were informed yesterday, that a Mariners Notice has been issued saying that the mast has now collapsed. Does anyone know exactly how the mast is currently lying?

Mark Matthews and John Tyler continued to host the 'Overdrive' service on 963kHz this past week. Mark has done the first show, following on from 'Viewpoint 963', and John has normally taken over at midnight through to closedown, which as stated earlier has been at various times.

LAND-BASED STATIONS. LIVERPOOL. Very little action has been noted from this city, this week, although, we have logged Anfield Community Radio, on Saturday lunchtime(with a test transmission), on 143lkhz.(v), and again today, similarly. On this station, D.J. Mark Evans stated that he had heard a station called S.O. International, which he presumed to be Slag Off International, after noting content of same. He stated that as this station would be bound to bring out the DTI, which would in turn affect the other stations, he was going to try to organise a 'posse' to track them down and get them off the air. The pirate transmitter on 1026khz., has been noted again this week, with relays of local ILR/BBC stations. It is thought to be Storeton Community Radio, but as far as we know, has yet to commence with their own programming. A very weak signal on 104.8mhz., today, was eventually identified as Radio Veronica. Poor FM conditions/weak signal both contributed to this. Tim Jackson, in his Liverpool report for last week, once again, gave out a full Friday, Saturday and Sunday lineup, so obviously the station can be heard locally, but as regards power, it is only a fraction of what it was up till about four weeks ago. The station has

mentioned some changes in the offing. Tim also mentions Liverpool Pirate Radio, on 1404khz.(formerly 1179khz.), but we have not received this station at all here. All in all, another quiet week on Merseyside.

NORTH WALES. Radio Annabelle is reported as being received on parts of the Wirral, thanks to a better aerial system being

installed. 92.4mhz. the frequency here.

THE SOUTH COAST. A Channel Radio 192 continues to broadcast on 192 metres, to the Solent area, on Sunday mornings. The station is very strong around the Solent, but the modulation is quite poor.

LONDON. Not only BBC Essex on three AM frequencies, but also on two FM frequencies, 95.3 and 103.5mhz. Both these channels were used by London pirates and consequently, KISS FM were noted last week on 95.5mhz.(from 95.3mhz.), although are reported to be moving to 94.0mhz. for better reception. The People's Choice may also have to move from 103.6mhz., because of the massive signal from Essex. Starpoint Radio is reported back on the air, after a two month break, this time on 94.3mhz. London Greek Radio on 105mhz., have been noted all week, as have London Weekend Radio, although

the latter was not logged this morning.

THE MIDLANDS. PCRL has not been logged today and has been missing, apparently since their brief appearance last Saturday, following raids(see Cuttings). Sunshine Radio from Ludlow, were once again on air today, and can be heard over

a wide area. Reports of them being heard in Bristol have been received.

SHORT WAVE STATIONS...Today's meagre log(again!).

6200kHz....Radio Pamela, at 0837gmt. (via Orion).

6200kHz....Radio Orion, at 0948gmt.

6200kHz....4FWS, at 1056gmt.

6230kHz....Unid.(Dutch pirate?), at 09.13gmt.(2980 AJ?).

6240kHz....Radio Rainbow, at 0935gmt. 6261kHz....Radio Skywave Int., at 1156gmt. 6280kHz....Westside Radio Int., at 1200gmt. 6285kHz....Gamma Radio, at 0839gmt.

6319kHz....FMTR, at 1151gmt.

6324kHz...Radio Normaal, at 08.32gmt.

7357kHz....Radio 101, at 0908gmt.

7365kHz.... Unid., at 0928gmt (playing 'The Cars').

Once again, the logs in dark type, were heard here in Blackpool, and the rest by loggers in other parts of the U.K. All in all, the worst morning on SW for some time, with even those stations logged, being extremely weak here. According to 'Media Network' on Radio Nederland(11986), which we unfortunately missed, the station which has been relaying Radio Caroline on 5945kHz, is Radio Delta, a Belgian SW station. They are also reported to have been using 5910kHz, although this has not been heard here. The times of broadcast are 0800-1400gmt.

Just one amendment to last week's log(Podney is still away)....6290khz...Weekend Music Radio at 12.00gmt.(in QSO with Radio Sovereign).

The IRRS are cuurently using 6830khz. for their relays of various stations, according to a report from Falcon Radio.

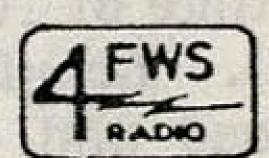


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Just seven days to go before the 'Buster' Birthday Memorial Function, and a special welcome to many new readers, who will be taking a copy at the said event. If you haven't got an invitation, well, it is a bit late to send for one now, but 31 Avondale Road, Benfleet, Essex SS7 1EH, is the address, enclosing a donation of about £5.00.(As it will now be too late to post your invitation back to you, ask them to leave it at the door, for collection). You will not be admitted without an invitation! The whole A-UK team will be there, along with representatives of many other organisations, plus a number of well known 'names'. As a result of this, next week's report will be one day later than usual, but, in keeping with the heading('first with the news in print'), will contain a full report on the Sunday function. We look forward to seeing you there, make a point of making yourself known to us(we shall all be wearing A-UK badges), as we only know a great many of you by names only, so obviously, will not recognise you.

Weekly Report and Cuttings costs just 30p per week and can be subscribed to, for as many weeks as you wish, from the address at the top of the page. Posted first class within the U.K., or posted to EEC countries(which now includes the Republic of Ireland-see further news about this below), the cost becomes 35p per week. Posted elsewhere, via air mail, the cost is 50p per week.

This week's <u>CUTTINGS</u>, for the benefit of people who only get the report, are a B4 sheet, reduced from A3, and contain news reports about Sunshine Radio from several Irish papers, concerning their claim to be No.1 in Dublin, several 'Letters to the Editor' from the Irish Times and concerning the controversial radio station 'C.C. Radio' and it's blocking of the BBC, two pieces from Broadcast, one about London's pirate television station, Network 21, the other, a feature entitled 'Can the Government Help Radio Find It's Way?' by Martin Loat. This single sheet will cost non subscribers just 10p, plus an SAE(30p without).

NEW MERCHANDISE. As expected, Issue 62 of Offshore Echo's arrived first thing last Monday. Price is £1.80, but subscriptions are slightly Monique Postcards(at last). We now have plentiful supplies of these superb colour cards from Holland and the cost is 25p each or 5 cards for £1.00. We are unable to offer trade terms for larger quantities, due to the fact that we are not the main agent here.....more specials!..."Sweet Radio Caroline" by Popgroep Dus met Mieke en Maudy(flip side is "Delmare Tune" by the same group, plus Delmare jingles), a 7 inch single for just £2.00. We have only a few in stock!....We have obtained a few more copies of the new version of 'Caroline' by the Fortunes(£3.00) and 'The Mi Amigo Tune' by Bronx(£3.00). We also have one or two copies of 'I Spy for the DTI' by the Moronic Surveyors still available at just £1.70 each(£4.00 for the 12 inch version). It has been brought to our attention that 'Caroline' by the Fortunes can be found on an Arcade CD Compilation entitled "Remember the 60's - Volume 4"(Cat. No. ADEH/CD735). The 'new' version of the tune is featured, and we wonder why, when all the other 19 tracks are originals. Due to ever increasing costs, some of our suppliers have had no choice but to increase the price of one or two items. We, in turn, will have to pass on this small increase, and will circulate our new price list during October(all "WR" subscribers will receive a copy). However, any "WR" subscribers wishing to make purchases before then, will find that the old prices will still operate. So, order now and save!

You may have noticed that we are currently extensively advertising our Medium Wave Loop Frame Aerial. In these days of multi-channel operation, one of these is an essential item for even the modest DX-er. Do please remember though, as the nights draw in, and reception of, say Caroline, becomes a bit 'ropey', a 'loop' will not greatly help, as it will also amplify the continentals that you are attempting to get rid of. The 'loop' is basically a daylight implement, due to our close proximity to a very active continent, and a whole new world of medium wave listening awaits you. The cost is £25.00. including VAT, post and packing etc. Anyone using a very expensive communications receiver however, is advised to invest in a more expensive 'loop' available at big radio/communication receiver shops.

NEW ARRIVALS. The excellent, and very prompt, Radiotelex, Issue 82 arrived in the week. Four A4 pages of logs and news from the world of short wave. Highly recommended. You can send to us for a sample copy, which will cost 40p, along with it, you will receive a subscription sheet, telling you how you can get further issues......Media Monitor Issue 36, from Roger Tidy, 11 St. Philip House, Lloyd Baker Street, London WCIX 9BA, arrived also. 24 pages of A5 news and reports of a more general nature. Sample copies cost 70p each.....Play-DX from Dario Monferini, via Davanzati 8, 20158 Milan, Italy, issues 426 and 427 arrived together! Mainly in Italian, but lots of excellent logs here.

ADVERT. Notecards/Greetings Cards with artist pen drawings of the Ross Revenge, Communicator

or Sealand. Mixed five card pack(with envelopes). Ideal as Christmas cards. Just send £1.00 (per pack) to Dave Wallis, c/o 73 Middle Mead, Hampshire RG27 9NX. [Recommended, although we have not seen the Sealand one!..A-UK].

ADVERT. Jingle cassette of Laser 558. Full set including some never aired, plus free Caroline and free Monique sticker, all for £2.00.. Dept.MC, P.O. Box 539, Blackpool FYI 4RE.

ADVERT. For sale, Trio R300 Analogue receiver, complete with box and manual, SSB/150khz. to 30mhz., good condition, £95.00, Tel: Hartlepool (0429) 222181, ask for Chris.

ADVERT. Site in South West Dublin available for TX use. 700 feet above sea level, facing city. Ideal for FM TX use. Contact Andy on Dublin (01) 503322.

ADVERT. Wanted, a recording of Caroline 558, with Jamie King, from 21.00 till 01.00 on 12/13th July 1986, although the last hour would suffice. Will pay £3.00 per hour for a good quality recording....contact John E. Patrick, 155 Sanctuary Way, Grimsby, South Humberside DN37 9RX.

CONTACTS GALORE. Peter Tilt of 6 Albert Road, Bognor Regis, Sussex PO21 INL has tapes of the 60's, 70's and 80's for exchange.

GENERAL. Only one more issue to go before the new postal charges become operative(lst October). There will be no real increase from us, apart from the fact that everyone will be asked to take cuttings along with "WR". Most do right now, anyway. Outstanding subscriptions at 1st October will be amended to accomodate the changes and you will receive a green slip informing you of these changes. (Many will have done so already). The only people 'out of pocket' on these increases, will be the Irish subscribers, as they are now classed as EEC. A statement as to why this has happened has been issued by the U.K. Post Office. It reads..... "The Republic of Ireland postal administration, An Post, has decided for the first time, under it's right as a member of the Universal Postal Union, to charge the United Kingdom Post Office for the delivery of letter mail received from the United Kingdom in excess of that which it sends to the United Kingdom. As a result, the United Kingdom Post Office is required to pay some £4 - 5 million per annum to An Post for the imbalance in delivery charges. Because of this change of policy by An Post, the United Kingdom Post Office has reluctantly concluded that it has no alternative but to bring the postage rates and conditions for letters destined for the Republic of Ireland into line with those for letters sent to other European countries. From October 1st 1986 letters to the Republic of Ireland will accordingly be charged at overseas rates, including the concessionary rate to EEC countries where appropriate". So, it looks like the Irish post office is to blame for the increase! Let's hope a better postal service results. Having said that, we appear to be going through a rough patch again, as regards delivery of mail. All "WR's" are posted on Sunday evening, but it appears that it takes a week at the moment to reach, even local areas like Liverpool! THE CHANGING LAWS OF PHYSICS!(Continued). Bringing to a conclusion the comments we made under this heading last week, it has come to our attention through a newspaper article, that BBC Essex plan to have 45% of their output as speech(to supplement all the relays of Radio 2). This value was quoted by the station manager. If this is the case, then why waste 2 valuable high quality FM frequencies when MW (and only one at that!) will do. No more space need be wasted!! RADIO STATION NEWS....IRELAND. DUBLIN. Q 102 get top spot this week, as they sent us a selection of their splendid stickers. They supplied us with their current line-up, but we beat them to it and printed it last week! However, we never mentioned weekenders, so...John Power, Brian Graham



and Aidan Leonard, there you are. Not forgetting the syndicated

The 'Abrakebabra Great Escape' promotion continues with 2 return flights to London for the daily winner. The weekly winner in the general knowledge quiz goes forward to the grand final on Saturday 4th October, where the prize will be a holiday for two in Barbados with £500.00 spending money. The winning ticket number is announced on the Breakfast Show at 08.55 each morning.

SUNSHINE/HOT HITS 101. A changed line-up here this week, with 'Morning Mark' on holiday. Steve Kelly was heard standing in all week, followed by 'Nails' Maloney, Tony Dixon, David Denehey and Paul Kavanagh. 'Phase III' is still promised. We understand that New Zealander, Pat Courteney, has now left the station.

ENERGY 103. Apart from a major breakdown on medium wave, at about 11.15 on Tuesday, which lasted until about 09.00 on Wednesday, no other transmission problems have been noted. Apparently some minor component blew, putting 738 off the air, but once a replacement was found, transmissions were restored. Promos advertising for news reading staff, have been noted from time to time, and a new voice was duly noted on mid week news bulletins, along with Sybil Fennell. Breakfast presenter and station manager, Tony McKenzie, has been missing from his shows, which have been handled by Alan Burns(Caroline's Dave Andrews), who also presented the ET 40 on Sunday last week, and again today. A new jingle announcing 'The power station is Energy 103' has been noted.

DIAMOND RADIO mentioned last week, as being a new one on the air, was duly heard here in Blackpool and in Staffordshire, during periods of good FM reception during the week. The frequency was 106.5mhz. No address was heard announced, although we understand the station to be in South County Dublin. However, a telephone number was given and this was Dublin (01) 263000.

LIBERTIES LOCAL COMMUNITY RADIO. We mentioned last week, that they were experiencing FM problems. It now appears that the station can be heard locally on 105.9mhz. (107.lmhz., is now off).

RADIO DUBLIN, shortly to celebrate 20 years on the air, are planning to go "'70's style" for the whole month of October, with all music from the '70's being featured. Also heard, have been promos for Bob Gallico's syndicated big band show 'The Time of my Life', due to commence next Sunday, around lunchtime.



"78's Show" broadcast today, on 1512khz. At just after 14.00, station owner, Tony Boylan and his wife Frances, thanked all their faithful friends for tuning in over the years, and sending messages of best wishes. Tony and Frances are retiring to the Isle of Man, and Tony suggested tuning to Manx Radio on Sundays, where he hoped to have a short programme on the air sometime. Tony has been actively involved in alternative radio in Dublin since the early 1940's.

Other Dublin stations noted locally, include....Hospital Radio on 97.3mhz., The Anorak Relay Service on 96.5mhz.(heard testing with a tape announcing Bernard Evans's Free Radio Programme going out from 20.00 till 22.00 each Friday), Caroline Dublin on 105.4 and 98.5mhz., K 104 on 104.5mhz. and Phoenix Radio on 99.0mhz.

DROGHEDA, Co. LOUTH. Boyneside Radio appear to have completely pulled out of Kells, both on FM, 98.1mhz. and medium wave, 1224khz. However, a Dublin relay has appeared on FM(mentioned last week) and has now moved from its original spot on 102.4mhz., to 105.5mhz. This signal is quite easily

audible here during good FM conditions. A further AM relay has appeared on 1332khz., and this too, could be in the Dublin region, but at this point, we are not quite sure one way or the other. A carrier continued to be logged on 102.4mhz., following this move, and several suggestions were put forward as to what it may be. At this point, we can offer another suggestion....Downtown Radio in Belfast is shortly to introduce another relay on this channel, it could possibly be them testing already, although normally the IBA do put out tones or continuous music at times like these.



DUNDALK. Reports of Radio Carousel being received on 88.0mhz. are at hand. However, John in Dundalk, who submitted his FM bandscan this week, failed to mention them, and we have now learnt that this signal is in fact, coming from Radio Carousel Navan.

KCR, a low power station near Dundalk, is currently being blocked out by an RTE relay, on the same frequency of 97.8mhz.

| -88.5mhzTelstar Comm. Radio2 |
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| 95.8mhzCapitol/Nitesky 964 |
| .97.8mhzRelay of RTE(not KCRsee above)3 |
| . 98.7mhzRadio West (Navan relay)4 |
| 99.0mhzEast Coast Radio |
| 99.5mhzTreble T.R. Radio3 |
| 100.lmhzBoyneside Radio |
| 100.5mhzSunshine/Hot Hits 1014 |
| 100.7mhzRadio Carousel |
| 101.0mhzSunshine |
| 101.2mhzBoyneside Radio N.I3 |
| 101.5mhzSunshine |
| 102.1mhzQ 102 |
| 103.0mhzEnergy 103 |
| 103.5mhzQ 102 |
| 103.7mhzBig 'M' Comm. Radio3 |
| ,104.1mhzKiss FM |
| 105.0mhzRadio Dublin |
| 105.5mhzBoyneside Radio3 |
| 105.7mhzEast Coast Radio(link?)3 |
| 106.1mhzBoyneside Radio N.I. (link)4 |
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As with A-UK Irish station lists, the signal strengths listed are thus....2..Good, solid listenable signal at all times. 3..Good, with aid of external antenna. 4..Poor, even with external antenna.

Our thanks to John for his list, no doubt invaluable to stations appearing on it.

MULLINGAR. RADIO WEST. The announced change to 702khz., failed to take place last weekend, and the station can still be heard on 765khz. The reason for this appears to be that a suitable SWR bridge was not available in order to tune the transmitter correctly into the aerial. Since the transmitter power is quite high, this needs to be performed correctly in order that the transmitter can run efficiently. Anyone having such a SWR bridge, capable of coping with at least 10 kw., to lend or hire to Radio West for a few hours, is asked to telephone the station on Mullingar (044) 41694 or 42103. The station surprised us all last Monday with the re-appearance on the Breakfast Show of none other than 'Daffy' Don Allen. Don has been stationed at Cavan Community Radio for some time now, but had worked on Radio West previously. Don was heard on this show all week, then on the Free Radio Show on Sunday, at the earlier time of 10.30 BST. (We, of course, missed the first half hour, as we forgot to tune in, despite mentioning it in this column last week!).

KILNALECK. As promised Breffni Community Radio duly re-appeared on 95.6mhz., with a very powerful signal, reported from a wide area, even as far away as the East Coast(Dundalk). Co. DONEGAL. City Sound Radio, currently off the air, is apparently due to return with a new name, Nova 2! Frequencies are said to be 1323khz., with 1 kw and 98.2mhz. FM. Tests were supposed to have been carried out yesterday, but no reports of logging same are at hand. Full programmes are said to start tomorrow.

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THE VOICE OF PEACE. Stuart Clark writes and tells us that things are fine out there(including the weather and his sun tan!). Current staff include himself, Chris Pearson, Mark Warner, Tim Shepherd, Mike Darby and Gavin Ford. A number of new presenters will be joining soon, and enjoying the late Summer heat of the Eastern Mediterranean. For anyone more than interested in this station, the current issue of Offshore Echo's contains quite a lot of news and pictures. THE COMMUNICATOR. No further news from here, apart from a suggestion that a sale is under way.

SEALAND. All quiet here, nothing to report.

NANNELL. As above, in this case too.

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CAROLINE - 'The Legend Lives On', that is, according to one of their newly aired promotions. First off this week, the continuing saga of the state of the mast of the previous Radio Caroline vessel, 'Mi Amigo'. Despite a letter we received this week, stating that 3 weeks ago the mast was clearly visible, some height above the sea, John Lewis, at 12.25 on Saturday, read out the 'Notice To Mariners', from Trinity House, which we mentioned briefly last week. It stated 'England. East Coast. Thames Estuary. Black Deep. Mast. The 39 metre high mast on the wreck of the m.v. Mi Amigo, in position 51°34.95N, 1°17.35E approximately, is reported no longer to be visible.' It is possible that the mast may have partially collapsed, and at certain low tides, may still stick out of the water.

Programme-wise, Monday saw Kevin Turner move from the night show, which he had been hosting, at the end of the previous week, to his old afternoon slot of 13.00. To accommodate this shift, both Richard Jackson and Dave James have moved up four hours to give the following line-up, which has lasted all week.....05.00 John Lewis. 09.00 Peter Philips. 13.00 Kevin Turner. 17.00 Richard Jackson. 21.00 Dave James. 01.00 Caroline Martin. Sign off is still early during the week. On Tuesday, Kevin Turner was suffering from a severe case of toothache. He announced that what followed might possibly be the first onair cure of toothache in Europe. A couple of records later, he was duly cured, after a liberal squirt of Bonjela.

Roughish weather and seas, during the first part of the week, culminated on Wednesday, with the station going off air, for a three hour spell, commencing at 14.28, when the 558 transmitter cut off part way through a record. When the 558 channel finally returned, at 17.24, Richard Jackson announced that they had had a few problems with the antenna. The top stay had come adrift and the Dutch rigger, who is currently painting the mast, had to climb 275 feet to the top, to do a quick repair.

On both Saturday and Sunday, John Lewis failed to begin his programmes on time, with Caroline Martin making a surprise appearance on the daytime service, filling in for John between 09.00 and 11.35. When John returned, he made mention of a programme they had been listening to on the previous night on a local radio station. Apparently, a ficticious character had been created called 'Eric the Anorak' and the contents of this programme had the crew of the Ross Revenge in stitches, laughing. On Sunday, Richard Jackson took over John's show until he returned from doing work on the generators.

News this week has been read by John Tyler on Breakfast(except Tuesday), Kevin Turner at 13.00, prior to his show, and Mark Matthews in the afternoon.

An advertisement for trips on the Waverley paddle steamer has been aired during the week. The boat will be on the Thames between the 17th and 28th September, according to this promo. The only other major new advert heard this week, has been for yet another furniture sale, this time for three piece suites, to be held at pubs in Harrow on the Hill on Saturday and Wokingham in Berkshire on Sunday. A remake of an advert for the video 'A Day in The Life', has also been aired this week. The car re-spray advert, mentioned last week, is apparently 'Earl Schwarb', we are told, and not as we printed last week.

On 'Overdrive', the lineup here is exactly the same as last week, with Mark Matthews following 'Viewpoint' at 21.30 and John Tyler from midnight until early close at 02.00. John Tyler extends his show to 04.00(from 01.00), at the weekends, when both channels go 24 hours.

LAND - BASED STATIONS. LIVERPOOL. The action continues on a very reduced level once again this week, with DTI presence

still evident quite nearby(see below). The transmitter on 1026khz., noted relaying local IBA/BBC stations recently, sprang to life with own programming last Sunday evening, about 20.00 until 01.00, according to several reports, and duly identified as Storeton Community Radio. Martin 'C', on the air, stated that the SCR would be on air the following Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Nothing was heard here on Friday or Saturday, although a strong carrier was noted most of the day. Programmes resumed today, as normal. Martin also mentioned raids on a nearby station(see below). Liverpool Pirate Radio was noted locally last Sunday, on the old Merseywaves frequency of 1242khz. Further broadcasts for this weekend were mentioned, but as yet, have not been noted. Central Radio Int., made a short test last Sunday evening, on 1404khz., signing on at about 19.15, closing down at 20.21. Anfield Community Radio, on 1431khz., have been heard once again today(Sunday). Radio Veronica promised to be on the air this weekend, with a better signal than of late, and at 16.10 on Sunday, they were heard here, the carrier having been noted earlier, although some problems seem to have occurred with the tapes.

NORTH WALES. Radio Annabelle was raided last Sunday at 14.10 by three officials from the DTI(including a Gordon Yates) and a police constable. Apparently, they monitored the station the previous Sunday and obtained a warrant the following Thursday(llth Sept.). They removed and took away, the transmitter, the power supply unit, decks, hi-fi unit, stereo cassette deck, leads, microphone, headphones, two x 12" singles which just happened to be on the turntables and four cassettes. They also took photos of the studio and the aerial. They were reported as being very smug about the whole affair. This is

Annabelle's first raid(in six months).

THE MIDLANDS. Friday night saw the return of Radio PCRL on 103.7mhz., moving to 103.9mhz., by today. Signal is reported as strong, but with poor audio quality. Sunshine Radio from Ludlow, was once again noted today on 103.5mhz., with a strong signal. Apparently, BBC Essex was so strong that it was blocking out Sunshine's signal near Telford last weekend, we are told!

THE SOUTH. Not much news from here this week. SSM reports that 3BR was on the air last Sunday, on it's usual 1125khz. spot, as was Radio Memphis on 1260khz., from 11.00 till 14.00. Noted Saturday and Sunday, LWR on 92.1mhz., on Sunday alone, KISS FM on 94.0mhz. and The People's Choice on 103.6mhz., although the latter is expected to move along the band a little, again due to BBC Essex! BELFAST. B-96 were active in this area today, and were logged on 96.45MHz by Brian, in Dungannon.

SHORT WAVE STATIONS...Today's log.

6200khz...RADIO DISCOLINE, at 08.37gmt.

6200khz...4FWS, at 1020gmt.

6200khz...INTERNATIONAL RADIO ORION, at 11.07gmt.

6206khz...Unid.,(Radio L.S.?), at 11.00gmt.

6206khz...RADIO LIMIT, at 11.51gmt.

6240khz...RADIO RAINBOW INT., at 09.17gmt.

6261khz...S.T.C.RADIO, at 10.30gmt.

6261khz...RADIO SKYWAVE INT., at 11.41gmt.

6275khz...RADIO STELLA, at 10.10gmt.

6280khz...WESTSIDE RADIO INT., at 10.27gmt.

6285khz...GAMMA RADIO, at 08.26gmt.

6291khz...Unid., at 09.55gmt.

6295khz...RADIO TITANIC, at 08.30gmt.

6300khz...WFRL, at 10.58gmt.

6306khz...RADIO MARABU, at 10.02gmt.

6319khz...FMTR, at 11.05gmt.

6330khz...RADIO NEPTUNE, at 10.20gmt.

6525khz...RIVERSIDE RADIO INT., at 11.18gmt.

6884khz...Unid., at 11.57gmt.

6910khz...RADIO DUBLIN, at 10.38gmt.

7310khz...RADIO ATLANTIQUE 2000 INT., at 09.35gmt.

7357khz...RADIO 101, at 09.25gmt.

7357khz...KBC RADIO, at 09.48gmt.

7806khz...RADIO ATLANTIQUE 2000 INT., at 09.46gmt.

As usual, the logs in bold type are ours, here in Blackpool. The others are from other loggers, in the midlands(UK). The skip conditions were varying rapidly throughout the morning, sometimes, with only Irish stations audible, other times, with only English stations to be heard. Radio Delmare announced at 11.46gmt., that due to no FRS Holland tapes arriving, they would proceed to relay tapes of Radio Limit, CLCG, and Radio L.S., for the remainder of the day. They also announced that next Saturday, they would be relaying Radio Scorpio.

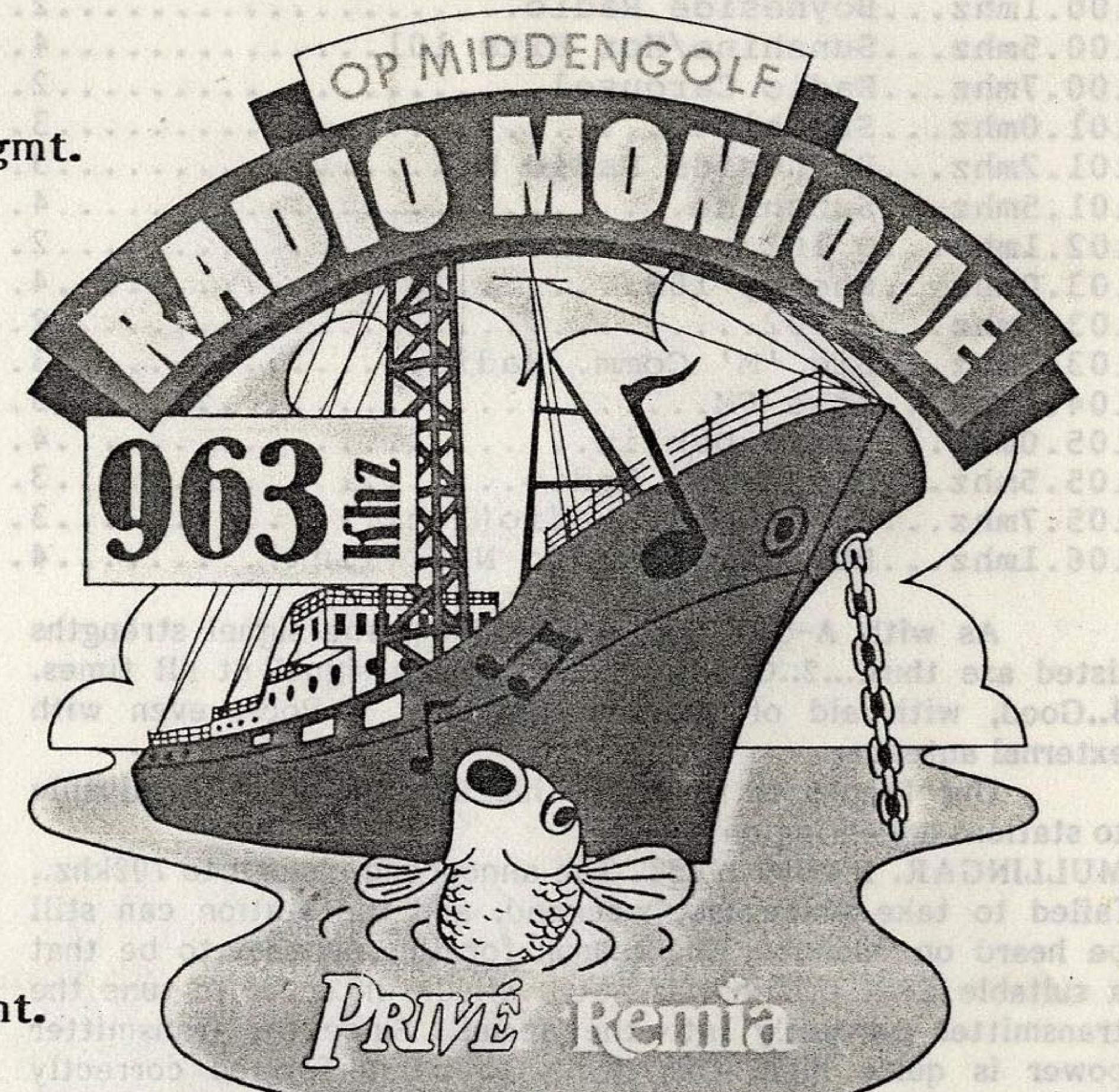
A telephone conversation relayed via the Dutch Media Network programme last Thursday, with Radio Caroline's American agent, Vincent Monsey, confirmed that short wave transmissions, received here, on 5945khz., were not emanating from the Ross Revenge. He did state however, that it was 'live' Caroline 558 that we were actually hearing, no doubt relayed by a land-based short wave station. He also stated that planned regular short wave transmissions had been shelved for the time being, in favour of improvements to the 558 signal, which according to him, was the 'money earner'.

Amendments to last week's log, from Podney R. Sixe in Cornwall.....6218khz., Riverside Radio at 10.44gmt., 6319khz., Falcon Radio, via FMTR, at 08.34gmt. and 6332khz., Unid., ('Video Wave'), at 11.14gmt., announcing 1244khz., 107mhz., and 6332khz.!

LOGS FOR SATURDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 1986....6200khz., Radio Discoline, at 09.07gmt., Radio

Orion, at 10.12gmt., 4FWS, at 11.40gmt. and Unid., at 09.57gmt.

Due to our unavailability next weekend, we would be obliged to receive as many telephoned logs for Sunday morning, as possible, by Monday tea time, on (0253) 882017.



THE WEEKLY REPORTS, THE FIRST WITH THE NEWS, IN PRINT

ANORAKS

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A couple of apologies starting us off this week. The report has been posted later than normal due to us being in Southend for the weekend(see later), so people will be receiving it correspondingly later this week, although second class post seems to be taking about a week from posting to delivering. Both this week's and last week's cuttings sheets have been dated wrongly, although, are numbered correctly. The dates should read the same as the corresponding Weekly Report.

Weekly Report and Cuttings costs just 30p per week, posted second class rate within the U.K. Posted first class to these places, also to EEC countries, including Eire, the cost is 35p per week. Elsewhere, the cost is 50p per week, posted via air mail. Subscriptions will be accepted for as many

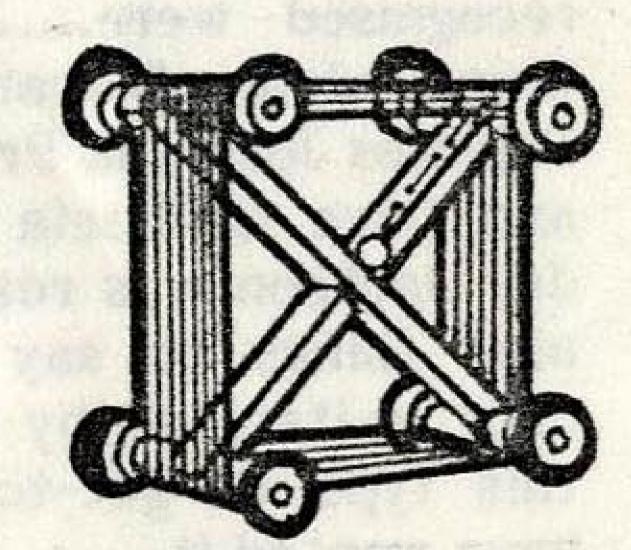
weeks as required.

CUTTINGS CLUB. This will be the last time we use this heading, due to the fact that as from that next week, everyone will receive the sheet(s) of cuttings along with their Weekly Report. For the benefit of the handful of subscribers who do not receive them this week, they contain articles, from Irish, English, and American publications. From Irelands' 'Hot Press', a large article reminiscing over the old pirates of Dublin. It also mentions the current station LLCR. From Dallas, two pieces mentioning the recent benefit concert for the Four Freedoms World Service(4FWS). Finally from England, another article about Sealand, a piece about a new rock station in London, and a small piece from a Liverpool newspaper, about the first KISS-FM court appearance. As usual this sheet will cost 10p, plus an SAE(30p without).

MERCHANDISE. FRM Magazine, the latest issue, Nos. 9/10(Sept./Oct.), is now available and costs £1.60. The format is A4, all glossy, with colour cover featuring two superb colour pictures of the Greenpeace ship, 'Sirius', taken from the Ross Revenge, with Caroline presenters stood on the deck in the foreground. The magazine is worth getting, despite mostly Dutch text, just for the pictures.....The September edition of TX Magazine also arrived this week, priced at £1.25, and includes up to date news and station listings from the London area, along with the usual features, including 'The Eric File'. When asking for this, please quote September issue, as it has mistakenly been given the same number as the previous edition.....'Radio Caroline North Postcards. We have a limited number of these black and white postcards showing the ship, presumably, off the Isle of Man. Excellent quality, despite the age. Price is 20p each, or 6 cards for £1.00.....The new version of 'Caroline' by the Fortunes: We have obtained yet further supplies of this 1985 release of the 1971 recording. Price remains at £3.00 each.....'Goodbye Caroline' by The One Shots. We have obtained a number of copies of the original version on the Instant label. Not in a picture sleeve, not with the jingles on the 'B' side, definitely the original version. Price is £3.00 here, too......Finally, we were sent a quantity of Now Radio, Issue 10, to promote and sell at the recent gathering in Southend. As we have a number remaining, we can offer them for £1.00. Subscriptions and future issues must be obtained direct from Now Radio Communications, and a sheet containing details of same will be included. (We also have a few each of issues 6, 7 and 8, at £1.00 each).

NEW ARRIVALS. Caroline Movement Bulletin, issue No. 30, is now out and really is the best ever. Send today for details of subscriptions etc., (a sample copy of the latest issue will cost £1.50), to......

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GENERAL. Congratulations first off this week, to Clive and Caroline Roylance(Clive is a partner in ABC Radic, Waterford), on their marriage last Friday(26th).....Congratulations also to recently married Muriel in Italy(poor lass married

Dave Windsor!), on her birthday today(29th).

The Caroline Movement's CM Thanet branch, held their first birthday party last Saturday night, although we were not able to attend, due to prior commitments. 'Names' spotted at the function, were... Fiona Jeffries, Stuart Vincent, Stuart Russell and Dave Richards. A collection was made for RNLI, a raffle was held and Bob Leroi presented an audio/visual slide show on the forts. Apparently a good time was had by all.

The 'Buster' Birthday Function was held yesterday, Sunday, at the Queens Hotel, in Westcliff on Sea, near Southend, from 11:00 until 22:00. We were in attendance at this event throughout the day. The venue was a very large, old hotel, of which the only sections still in use, were the sizeable and well furnished function rooms on the ground floor. Early arrivals on this very warm and very sunny Sunday, found much activity, with vans of 'gear' being hastily loaded through the side doors, directly into the ballroom. A number of stands were soon erected and by 11:00, the venue began to look like a free radio convention. About three hundred people attended, but due to the immense size of the room, it never really looked packed. However, each stand had quite a number of people around it all day long, browsing at their interesting displays. Besides our own display, the Caroline Movement, East Anglian Productions, RNLI, Theo Dencker(the ace photographer), John G. Ford(with Caroline etchings) and of course, Monitor, all had similar. The Monitor table was almost in front of the stage, alongside a beautiful display of flowers and pictures of 'Buster' and Ronan. On the stage, Dave Caine's 'Mi Amigo Roadshow' played very quiet background music, mostly Caroline 558 off air, and of course, handled all the announcements, as and when required. The EAP stand was offering little bags of 'genuine paint chippings' from the Communicator. People had to make a donation in aid of RNLI and RAIBC. In excess of £60.00 was raised this way, and these two worthy organisations will both benefit, as a result.

The bar was open all day, apart from an hour during the afternoon and an excellent buffet was available most of the day.

Various celebrities attended, and many went on the stage to say a few words from time to time. Some we recognised were....John Lewis, Michael Barrington, Stevie Essex, John Dwyar, Ian Akers, Keith King, Prince Roy, Princess Joan and Prince Michael(all of Sealand), Andy Johnson and Dave Gillbee(a pirate from the '60's). A message from Jay Jackson was read out by John Lewis. In it, Jay had some nice things to say about 'Buster' and his comments were duly re-iterated by John, who also said that he thought that this type of get-together was just the way 'Buster' would have wanted it.

Theo Dencker's stand featured, amongst other things, many excellent shots of the recent raising of the MV Galaxy, home of the '60's Radio London, and it's subsequent scrapping.

One minute's silence was observed during the evening, in respect of 'Buster's' memory.

Missing from this get-together, were...the non-stop showing of videos(many seen scores of times previously), loud music, stells selling memorabilia(giving the whole show, the appearance of a Middle East bazaar). Instead, we had a nice quiet gathering, in pleasant surroundings, with lots of room to walk around and browse and join in conversations with other free radio fans, lots of nice people and plenty of L.A. Well done the Monitor team, we look forward to the next one!

We should finally like to add that it was nice to meet so many people, many of whom, before this, had only been names on an envelope.

AIR RAID TAPES. It has come to our attention, through several letters we have received recently, that some of our subscribers have not received goods, or the 'Radioactivity Magazine' ordered from Air Raid. Since Air Raid make use of our P.O. Box, we are currently looking into this matter, and would ask that until things are sorted out, everyone should refrain from sending money for Air Raid goods.

CONTACTS GALORE. Karen Murphy in Cork, would like to hear from anyone who is interested in setting up a Radio Station Fan Club, in her area. She can be contacted at..17, Green Lawn, Kinsale Road, Cork.

RADIO STATION NEWS....IRELAND...DUBLIN.

Q 102. Again, with the A-UK team missing over the weekend, Sunday's Q 102/Puma 10k Roadrace, can not be reported on. However, it was to start from Harcourt Street, off St. Stephen's Green, with Q 102 staff members, Martin Block and Greg Gaughran, amongst the runners. Reports on the race were to be aired from midday, from the 'Eye in the Sky' helicopter, with Scott Williams, as anchorman, in the studio.

With presenter, Henry Owens, on holiday for two weeks, the revised line-up looks like this.....06:00 Scott Williams(with Bob Gallico and Mike Hogan). 10:00 Dave Kelly. 14:00 Greg Gaughran. 19:00 Jason Maine. 00:00 Al Dunne. We are reliably informed that the weekend presenters are soon to be joined by ex Nova, Colm Hayes and ex Nova and Energy, Dave Johnson.

Apparently, reaction to the new Breakfast Show has been most encouraging, for all three involved. On the show last week, listeners were being encouraged to donate as much money as possible to the Bone Marrow for Leukaemia Trust, by exchanging their surplus copper coins at their local SuperQuinn supermarket, at the rate of 90p worth of copper for £1 note. This coming weekend sees the final of the 'Abrabebabra Holiday Giveaway' competition, live on air. We shall, of course, be reporting on this event next week, as usual. Finally, not only is Q being heard on FM, in stereo, here in Blackpool, but reports sent in to the station say that it is being received very well, on 103.5mhz., as far South as Kilkenny and as far North as Belfast.

SUNSHINE 101. Not much to report on here, except that we are still awaiting 'PHASE III'. More giveaways were heard being mentioned on a prome, during the past few days, and a figure of £10,000 was mentioned. The same promotion mentions, coming soon 'The Phrase That Pays'. We presume that this will be something to the effect that, the station calls you on the telephone, and you have to answer with a certain phrase. It seems that if you answer with 'Hello', then the chance of winning any money is lost.

ENERGY 103. Last week we failed to mention the name of the latest newsreader, he is called Steve Dean, and was heard at the weekend. This past weekend, we had yet another newsreader calling himself Michael Lewis, and he was noted on Saturday afternoon, although had also read the news at an earlier date. Obviously new readers are being recruited, as Dave Johnson, has left to join Q. Again on news, George Long reported on Monday, on a piece in the days' papers about closing down of the pirates. Alan Burns continued to sit in on the Breakfast show last week for Tony McKenzie, who was expected back this week from his long deserved holiday. Pat Courtney has apparently joined the station after having left Sunshine Radio, a few weeks ago. He is doing a behind the scenes job, and is not expected to be heard regularly on the air. Finally, it is reported, in our absence, that Sunshine's Ernie Gallagher has joined the Energy team.

RADIO DUBLIN. The station has been giving a lot of promotion to both their 20th Birthday celebrations, and to the new month long format for October, in which they are to specialise in playing oldies from the '70's.

Also in the programmes for the month, they will be going back to the '70's for the news reports of the day, which along with the music played, we assume will give everyone the feeling of being back in that decade.

LIBERTIES LOCAL COMMUNITY RADIO. A new 100watt FM transmitter was installed last Tuesday. It was initially planned for 104.4MHz, but later was changed to 104.5MHz. Although this channel cannot be heard here, due to a local BBC relay on the same frequency, the signal is heard with a reasonable signal by Brian, in Dungannon. The station is also broadcasting on lower power, on 105.7MHz, and 105.9MHz, all in stereo. Peter Madison informs us that the current weekday line-up on the station, which broadcasts 24 hours a day, is....07:00 David Ross...10:00 Tommy Matthews...13:00 John Keogh...16:00 Kevin Clark...19:00 Brenda Dowling...21:00 DJ Hookey...24:00 Sammy Prendergast...02:00 Various. At the weekend various presenters are heard with no set schedule.

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Other Dublin stations. A transmission was reported to us on Sunday afternoon, on 1512kHz, playing American religious programmes. Since the closure of Tony Boylan's, Radio Galaxy, 1512kHz is a clear channel during Sunday, and thus it could possibly be, that the 'Voice of Hope', mentioned a few weeks ago, on 1449Khz, is trying out this frequency. We await

further transmissions to find out.

MULLINGAR. According to reports received about the Free Radio Show on Radio West, (We were unable to hear it in Southend, as BBC Essex are testing on 765kHz., in fact a number of our U.K. readers tell us that they can no longer receive West, due to Essex, even as far North as Northwich in Cheshire), station owner Sean Coyne, stated that he would be moving the main transmitter to 702kHz this week. He said he would do this whether or not he managed to get hold of an SWR bridge to tune the TX into aerial correctly. Also on the show, he mentioned that the 702kHz relay, in Athlone, had gone off air, but he wasn't sure what had happened.

CO. CAVAN. According to a report from Sean Brady, who lives in the area, Erneside Community Radio, in Belturbet, is still going well, with a strong signal on 1251kHz. They also have another transmitter on standby, which comes into service immediately, should there be a failure with the primary TX. This avoids any loss of airtime. Sean also says, that the station has now obtained an FM stereo transmitter, and hope to cover most of Northern Ireland with it. The station is very regular with its broadcasts, and the only break in transmission, of any significant length recently, was on 13th September, but they returned fairly

quickly.

At Sean's location, Cavan Community Radio, now has a stronger signal(Q102 is now not as apparent in the background), on 819kHz, since their mast was repaired, after it collapsed at the end of August. They were off the air for 3 days because of this, and on returning, mentioned the 'Liney Five' Bingo, a lot during the following two days to catch up on the lost airtime. In Kilnaleck, Breffni Community Radio, is also doing well, with a healthy advertising log. They recently had their 1st outside broadcast from the Oldcastle Agricultural Show, an the 30th and 31st August, This proved to be tremendously successful, with listeners able to come face to face with the 'voices behind the microphone'. They were also able to read their own dedications out during the broadcasts, which were approximately 13:00 until 18:00 each day.

CO. DONEGAL. A new station came on the air in Letterkenny today, announcing 98.2MHz and 104.5MHz. Calling itself DCR(Donegal Community Radio), they also announced they would broadcast shortly on 927kHz Medium Wave. So far only the FM has been heard, by Brian in Dungannon and was actually on 98.05MHz, the other FM frequency announced being rather full of strong BBC stations to hear anything at that distance. An address of 4 Main Street, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, was given out, along with a telephone number Letterkenny(0007) 24383. Hopefully we will have more news on this station, next week. The return of City Sound Radio in this area, mentioned last week, has yet to materialise. We are still keeping tuned to 1323kHz, however, in case anyithing should materialise in the near future, from the 1kW transmitter they are said to have installed.

CO. MEATH. Boyneside Radio's signal on 1323khz., is definitely coming from Kells, we are told by the station

operators.

CO. CORK. WKLR in Bandon, is reported to have installed a 25watt FM relay, in Cork City. Our reporter says despite the low power, the signal is quite strong, and the frequency is around 94MHz.

In Cork City itself, WBEN is hoping to install a high power FM transmitter to replace the 50 watts, currently in use. Their present lineup is...06:00 Hugh Browne...10:00 Pete

O'Neil...13:00 Eamonn Kelly...16:00 Neil Francis...19:00 Nick Richards...22:00 Rob Allen...02:00 Tony Lewis. Jim Lockhart is now believed to have left the station.

Over in Ennis, Paul reports that West Coast Radio is still on air, and has settled on 102MHz. He also reports that all the stations in Limerick are still going strong. John Ryan of MBC Radio in Limerick, tells us that the current address for the station is... MBC Radio(PR & Advertising Dept.), c/o KWIK Services Ltd., 18 Shannon St., Limerick. The telephone number is (061) 49763. Correspondence should be marked for the attention of John Ryan. MBC is currently on MW and 3 FM channels, although we are uncertain as to the extact frequencies, and broadcasts to Limerick City, Limerick, Clare and Tipperary Counties.

THE VOICE OF PEACE. No news from the good ship 'Peace' this week, but we have been reliably informed that Dave Asher has yet again, re-joined the station. On air staff now include, Dave, Stuart Clark(on his travels!), Mike Darby, Tim Shepherd, Gavin Ford, Chris(The Boy) Pearson and Mark

Warner. The latter pair are shortly due to leave.

THE COMMUNICATOR. Despite being questioned intensely at the recent get-together, EAP were reluctant to give anything away, which is hardly surprising under the circumstances, nevertheless, the ship, all newly spruced up, remains at her anchorage in the middle of the River Stour near Harwich.

SEALAND. Again, despite questions fired at the same function, little was learned about what may come of recent suggestions

of three radio stations being set up on this fort.

CAROLINE. All in all, a very quiet week out on the Ross Revenge. There were no changes in staff until the weekend, and the line-up until then read...05:00 John Lewis...09:00 Peter Phillips...13:00 Kevin Turner...17:00 Richard Jackson...21:00 Dave James...01:00 Caroline Martin. As with the past few weeks, the signoff has been early at 02:00, with Caroline Martin taking the cut in programme length down to one hour.

Programme wise, there was nothing much heard here out of the ordinary during the past week. Tuesday saw Kevin Turner getting some hassle during his show, with a 'mad Dutchman' in the studio, continually tossing a ball about behind him. Also during the week, Kevin told us that he had finally got rid of the toothache which he had been suffering from recently. John announced during the week, that he would be bringing to a close, the Dire Straits video competition which he had aired several months ago. Following this, two winners were duly picked during his breakfast show, on Friday morning. On Saturday morning, John also hosted the breakfast show, not the 09:00-13:00 slot, which he normally presents. This proved to be his last show of this particular stint out on the ship, as he left the station at the weekend. Also leaving the ship this last weekend, was Dave James, who had been on board about the same length of time as John Lewis. His evening show at 21:00 has been taken over by Jamie King, who returned to the ship at the weekend.

News this week has again been read mainly by the same three D.J.'s as last week. These are John Tyler on Breakfasttime, Kevin Turner on Lunchtime, and Mark Matthews on Teatime. Since Jamie King returned, at the weekend, she has taken over reading the afternoon bulletins.

Following the large turnover of adverts noted over the past few months, last week saw no new commercials, as far as we heard.

As we are writing this on a Monday, we can list the line-up this week. It is so far...05:00 Kevin Turner...09:00 Peter Phillips...13:00 Richard Jackson...17:00 Mark Matthews. A change in the newsreaders at both lunchtime and afternoon, has brought Richard Jackson to 13:00 news, and Jamie King to 16:00-18:00.

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Overdrive

Overdrive continued as normal until Saturday night, with Mark Matthews and John Tyler. Early closedowns during the week, again meant that John Tyler started his show at midnight, instead of the normal 01:00, when the station is running 24 hours(as at the weekend). Saturday night saw another 'Overdrive Radio Party', and from the sound of it, plenty of wine, champagne, and GBH had been drunk. The shows on that night came from the Radio Monique studio, rather than the normal one at the stern of the ship. Mark said this was so they could get more people in the studio,

and also so Jamie King could join in, as she was on 558kHz at the time. He said that they might swap shows for a bit of fun also, but we are not sure whether this happened in all the excitement. Once again the Monique D.J.'s were messing about, and many short Dutch language extracts were inserted during Marks' show when he was least expecting them. More confusion arose when Mark was informed that in the Netherlands, the clocks were being put back 1 hour for the winter, which meant that Overdrive would go on one hour longer, until 05:00BST. The times have now settled down, and Overdrive now starts at 22:30BST and finishes at 05:00BST, during the week, starting 30 minutes earlier at the weekend. Disgruntled mutterings were heard from the D.J.'s during the night, about how late Overdrive would now be starting. Due to this, and early closedowns, a further hour of programmes has been lost, and Overdrive is now reduced to 3½ hours during the week.. Viewpoint 963, also alters its times, and is now 19:00-22:30BST.

MONIQUE. The new address for the station, as given out on the International Breakfast Show last week is: Radio Monique, P.O. Box 600, Gerona, Province of Gerona, Spain.

LAND-BASED STATIONS. LIVERPOOL Before the main station information in this area, we have news of a court case heard this week. The operator of KISS-FM, which used to broadcast to the North West on 102.8MHz, and who was raided earlier this year, was fined £50, with £40 costs for installing illegal transmitting equipment. All the equipment was confiscated even some which had nothing to do with the station) in a previous court case, where another member of the station was fined, for using said equipment (See cuttings).

Following a long absence, of about 6 weeks, from the airwaves, Radio Merseywaves made a welcome return this weekend on their old frequency of 1242kHz. Tests were apparently made on Thursday night, although the signal was not heard here until Friday morning. A continuous loop tape of oldies, with no announcements, put together by station engineer Burt Williams, was aired most of the day. At about 18:10, 'Keith The Chief' broke into the tests, with announcements that the the station was still carrying out tests, and that 'official' programmes would start at 08:00 on Saturday, with Dave Collins. Only a 3 day weekend of shows(Saturday, Sunday, and Monday) was announced, for the time being, until the station had once again established itself. Keith mentioned that, despite rumours, they had not been raided, but that Burt had decided to close the station down, due to lack of staff being available for security duty. During the time off the air, Burt had apparently made some improvements to the transmitter to get out more power, and this certainly seemed the case in our location. The strength here was tremendous, and the audio quality was excellent. A credit to Burts' engineering. The station appeared as announced, at 08:00 on Saturday morning. They were still on air at the time of writing, on Monday night, and signed off in the early hours of Tuesday morning.

Anfield Community Radio made a brief appearance on Thursday morning, at around 10:30, on their usual frequency of 1431kHz. The short extract heard, seemed to be a tape of an old Sunday broadcast. The signal disappeared shortly afterwards.

SCR (Storton Community Radio) now seems to be settling into regular broadcasts once more, and was heard here in Blackpool on Saturday morning. Their signal on 1026kHz is strong, but suffers from interference at this particular location from the ILR stations on the same channel(mainly Downtown Radio in Belfast).

Due to our absence at the weekend, no FM stations can be reported on, however, it is thought that both Radio Julie and Radio Veronica may well have made an appearance, which will be reported on in Tim Jackson's sheet, due later in the week. We will mention these in our next issue.

YORKSHIRE. Reports of a station in the west of the county have been received. Although announcing 105MHz, the station is actually on 104.8MHz, and identifying itself as Radio Veronica(!).

THE MIDLANDS. The sad news here this past week is the raid on the recently returned Sunshine Radio, in the Ludlow area. We have been informed, that the raid took place at about mid-day, by an unnecessarily large number of officials. It is thought that the DTI were in the area the previous Sunday in order to track the station down, as suspicious looking men were seen near the transmitter site. This Sunday it is reported that a small group of DTI men again turned up early in the morning, but then when they knew the station

was still at the same place, raided it some time later, after increasing their numbers considerably. Apparently all the equipment was removed, including the aerial, and a multicassette machine used to replay the taped programmes. Radio PCRL was heard over the weekend on a frequency around 103.5MHz. The station was not heard this afternoon(Monday), although a blank carrier was noted, but had disappeared by early evening. Wrekin Radio was also noted in this area on Sunday, on a frequency of 103.6MHz.

BELFAST. B-96 has again been logged this Sunday, by Brian, in Dungannon. who reports that the frequency has changed to 95.7MHz. This change in frequency, is presumably due to the ILR station, Downtown Radio opening a new relay on 96.4MHz, just adjacent to the channel where B-96 normally broadcasts. An address given out last week to contact the station was...B96, 102 Great Victoria Street, Belfast.

LONDON. Not really too much to report here. The regular stations were heard at the weekend.... LWR on 92.05MHz...LGR(London Greek Radio) on 105MHz...KISS on 93.95MHz.(These could be heard in Southend). On Monday, JBC could be heard on 104.8MHz, next to London Greek Radio. Also reported back on the air, but not heard by us whilst we were travelling around London, was Starpoint Radio on 94.2MHz.

SHORT WAVE STATIONS...Log for Sunday 28th Sept.

3465kHz...RADIO ORION, at 12:50/19:00gmt. 6200kHz...4FWS, at 09:19gmt. 6200kHz...RADIO ORION, at 10:06gmt. 6206kHz...RADIO DELMARE, at 09:00gmt. 6206kHz...RADIO C.L.C.G., at 09:40gmt. 6206kHz...F.R.S. HOLLAND, at 13:21gmt.

6206kHz...F.R.S. HOLLAND, at 13:21gmt. 6220kHz...RADIO CRYSTAL, at 11:42gmt. 6240kHz...RADIO RAINBOW, at 10:50kHz.

6261kHz...RADIO SOUNDS INT., at 09:45gmt. 6261kHz...RADIO SKYWAVE INT., at 11:57gmt.

6274kHz...RADIO STELLA, at 10:08gmt. 6280kHz...WESTSIDE RADIO INT., at 10:28gmt.

6294kHz...UNID., at 10:00gmt.

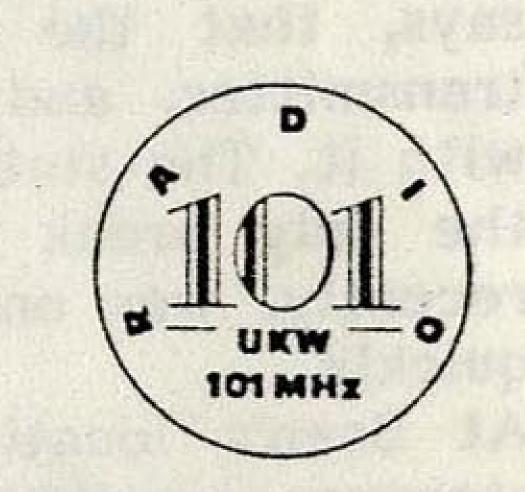
6298kHz...RADIO BRIGITTE, at 10:20gmt. 6301kHz...RADIO NEPTUNE, at 11:45gmt.

6307kHz...RADIO MARABU, at 09:38gmt.

6319kHz...F.M.T.R., at 10:20gmt. 6340kHz...F.M.T.R., at 10:25gmt.

6910kHz...RADIO DUBLIN, at 10:00gmt.

7357kHz...RADIO 101, at 09:57gmt.



Many thanks to all the loggers who rang in with information today (Monday). As usual the logs in bold type were received by us, but this time in Southend. All the rest were from our kind friends, who supplied them in our absence.

Radio Skywave was reportedly heard to announce that they would be testing during the week on both MW and FM. Frequencies mentioned were 1323kHz on MW, 88MHz, and 107.3MHZ on FM. Also reported testing over the weekend were Radio Orion on the unusual frequency of 3465kHz. This was said to be in preparation for broadcasts at night.

Amendments to last weeks log from Podney...6240kHz., UNID., at 11:51gmt......6261kHz., Good News Radio (via R. Skywave), at 08:32gmt..... our log of S.T.C. Radio, should have read S.B.C. Radio(Satellite Broadcasting Company)...... 6319kHz., Falcon Radio(via F.M.T.R.), at 12:07gmt.

LOGS FOR SATURDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 1986....6200kHz., Radio Orion, at 09:53gmt.....6206kHz., Radio Scorpio, at 09:51gmt......6910kHz., Radio Dublin, at 07:37gmt.

FOR SALE. SONY 6700 Digital Table Top Receiver inc. Handbook and Accessories. Coverage 530kHz30MHz. plus FM 88-108MHz. Hardly used £100. Contact Graham at (0533)

Finally, ending as we started, with apologies, this time, for the inevitable and understandably dishevelled issue this week. If we forgot anything, it is sure to appear in the next one. Many thanks to a great number of people who bothered to phone us on (0253) 882017 with reports on news we had missed. Thanks to everyone, see you as normal next week.

FOR SALE...Grundig Yacht Boy 700, 3 months old, good reason for selling, £85.00 o.n.o...tel: Michael (0533) 558063.