

Central Radio International's Listener's night out will be held at the WINDSOR CASTLE HOTEL, Walton Vale, Liverpool on Saturday 13th October from 7pm to 11pm and will feature the CRI disco, free buffet, and raffles.

In the meantime, many of the local stations appear to be having problems, and have been heard intermittantly or not at all:

STORETON COMMUNITY RADIO 1026kHz: 23 The Meadow, Woodchurch Estate, Birkenhead, Merseyside

On Monday the station were on the air at tea-time, but later, L49 8HX John Sniff announced that they would be closing down at 9pm due to technical problems with the transmitter. They were not noted on Tuesday, but at mid-night on Wednesday, Keith the Chief said that they could not play a request for "10pm Tuesday, as they were not on the air". On Friday the station theme tune was heard intermittantly around teatime, but the transmitter was apparently switched off at 6:30pm. At other times a strong carrier has been noted on frequency, but no modulation. The station were on the air on Saturday and were noted from 11am to about 6pm, but later programming was not noted. The station was not on the air on Sunday.

CHANNEL FIVE 1242kHz: 30, Rice Lane, Egremont, Wallasey, Merseyside, L44 0DF.

The station has not been noted this weekend, but last weekend they were announcing transmitter problems.

RADIO ATLANTIS 102.7 MHz

This station have not been heard at all this week, but Central Radio International announced that they would be back on the air next weekend. No other details are yet available

RADIO MERSEYWAVES 1179kHz & 94.8MHz: 23, Birnam Road, Poulton, Wallasey, Merseyside L44 9AY

This station apparently signed-on at noon on Sunday, on 1179kHz only, but were not noted until 1:40pm. Heard were Tony Reeve and Paul Jay. It was also announced that John Freeman would be joining the station next weekend. From 6pm the station was operating on both FM and AM, and seem to have operated its regular Sunday schedule. Heard were Tina Christian, Paul Jay and Bert Williams

MERSEYLAND ALTERNATIVE RADIO 819kHz: PO Box No.9, Moreton, Wirral.

Laser 558 fans will like this station, which operates on similar lines. The DJ line-up has not been noted, due to their operating hours, but John Dwyer is usually noted at sign-on, with Rick Dane handling the close-down. Over the weekend the station appears to have operated part-live and part-taped, with the above DJs being the only ones noted on Saturday. The format is virtually continuous music with the occasional taped station IDs, address and jingles. To date, no advertising has been heard. They appear to have adhered to their 7am to 7pm schedule fairly well.

CENTRAL RADIO INTERNATIONAL 1386kHz: 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF.

There has been no sign yet of this station putting their 24-hour, 7-day schedule into operation, and announcements heard this weekend don't suggest that it will happen soon. They have operated their normal Saturday/Sunday schedule this weekend, as far as has been determined. I understand that a few new DJs will be heard next weekend, so this may be a prelude to extended hours. More details should be available next week.

RADIO COMMODORE 107 MHz

This station have not been noted at all this week.

Traditionally the number of local stations increases as Winter approaches, but this year the reverse seems to be the order of the day. News is in this week of a new station, Calderdale Sound, which operates Sundays only from 10am-6pm on 1404kHz. They operate from the Todmorden area, and to date they don't seem to have a mailing address. In Liscard they are "clobbered" by the splatter from Central Radio International, but listeners on the fringe of the Merseyside area might have more luck in hearing this one.

