MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE Week ending Sunday 4th May 1986

Anoraks UK Weekly Newsletter apparently reported that KTSS-FM were indeed raided last Sunday afternoon. Probably as a consequence, nothing has been heard on FM during the week although a new station has been noted at the weekend. Central Radio still don't know the fate of their equipment and cancelled their Night-out on Saturday as they were unable to provide a disco, and the fact that they hadn't been able to advertise the function over the air.

RADIO MERSEY WAVES 1242kHz: 9, Meadfoot Road, Moreton, Wirral, Merseyside L46 7UW This station wasn't on the air for the scheduled 8am opening on Monday, and were first noted at 11:27am, after apparently opening at llam. Heard were: - 11(?)am-lpm Barry Noble; 1pm-3pm DJC; 3pm-5pm Paul James(?); 5pm-7pm Jeff Starr; 7pm-9pm Tony Coltrane; 9pm-Midnight Tara; Midnight-lam KtC and lam-2am close-down Peter Thomas, On Friday they opened at 8:15am and heard were: - 8:15am-llam Peter Thomas; llamlpm DJC; lpm-?? Jeff Starr. The latter started his show, but when checked at 2:10pm the station was off the air. Paul Woods apparently did the 4pm-5pm slot, and at 5pm said that the station would be closing down for a couple of hours for transmitter adjustments. The carrier was back on the air by 7pm, but apparently remained un-modulated for the rest of the evening. On Saturday, the carrier was on the air at 10:09am, but programming didn't start till 10:27am. Heard were: - 10:27am-Noon Mark Wright; Noon-2pm Peter Thomas; 2pm-4pm DJC; 4pm-6pm Paul Woods; 6pm-8pm Tara; 8pm-10pm Mark Burgess. Before 10pm, however, the frequency was showing carrier-only, and the un-modulated carrier was still on the air at 12:20am. Opening time on Sunday seems to have been llam, and heard were:llam(?)-lpm Tony Coltrane; lpm-3pm Paul Jay; 3pm-5pm Burt Williams; 5pm-7pm Martin Miller; 7pm-10pm Peter Thomas; 10pm-Midnight Mark Newman; Midnight (plus a bit)-lam Peter Thomas; lam-?? Paul Woods.

CONCEPT RADIO 104.4MHz: 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF.

This station opened at 8pm on Sunday and heard were: 8pm-l0pm Tom Webb; 10pm-Midnight Jim Lowe and Midnight-??(announced lam) The Webb and Lowe Show. The station is appealing, on behalf of Central Radio for suitable locations in high rise flats in the North Liverpool area.

K-SOUND RADIO 105.2MHz. No mailing address heard.

On Sunday from about 12:20pm, a weak signal was noted on 105.2MHz. It was carrying continuous music until about 1:30pm. Although the signal was weak, the modulation on music was quite readable, but it seems certain that adjustments were being made and the signal level varied considerably. From 1:30pm, modulation on speech was very low and hardly a word that the DJ was speaking was heard. The DJ heard was Danny(?) Molby and he was asking Dave Jackson to call at the location urgently. The station say that they had organised a phone-in, but no telephone number was heard. From 2:15pm the signal became very intermittant and variable in level, and had disappeared completely by 3pm www.datable.com/da

This has got to be the shortest set of notes in a very long time, although I seem to remember that some time ago, Mersey Waves were the only station on the air for quite a few weeks.