

# ANORAKS

## WEEKLY REPORT

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Back to our normal size this week, unfortunately. At least the postal strike is over and mail is back to normal, but as it is a Bank Holiday tomorrow, the WR will be a day late yet again. New items available this week, an up-dated Irish Independent Radio Station list(just 20p.), an up-dated Stations of the British Isles by Ian Anderson, listing all English speaking regular operators on medium wave.(50p). Free Radio Round-Up, Issue 2 will be out in a few days, and looks like being very interesting. Send 50p., in order to get your copy as soon as it is in print. ABC Radio(Waterford) new stickers, well, not quite stickers, as they are not sticky, but they are sort of mini sun visors, done in bright yellow on plastic-type paper. Anyway, they are great and cost 20p. Newspaper photo-copies cost 10p., plus an SAE, and are mentioned as we go on.

### Nova/Magic 103.

We left Magic last Monday at 10.00am., with Bob Gallico having just taken over behind the turntables. He did till 1.00pm., with very middle of the road programming, and included phone-ins and the like. Linda Conway and Jenny McIvor were both noted later in the day, as was Dave Johnson. It appears that everyone may be tried out on this station to see how they go on. Later in the week, Peter Madison was heard with a splendid phone-in programme, and according to the people who called in, the station looks like being a huge success. Also heard was Steve Gordon. The station was also heard relaying Nova at odd times early and late. It is understood that extended hours are planned very soon indeed. Extra staff have been set on, Chris Barry and George Long from Q 102. In fact, George Long appeared on ABC Network News at 7.00am this morning, surprising everyone one, as he had been on Q until only the night before. Reception on FM here continued to improve as the week went on, and by the end, FM stereo was noted at all times, despite the great distance from the transmitter. Conditions however, for FM, were very good all week. If anyone would like a tape of this MOR station, send blank plus SAE for 17p(no boxes, please!).

Nova, in the meantime, continued as before, the odd slip was noted by many presenters, as would be expected when a secondary service is introduced, particularly as they both come together for the 'on the hour' news. Rick Dees was noted from 9.00am till 10.00am., each week-day. It was nice to see that the shows were actually aired on the day that they were intended. However, some of the music was quite stale, compared with what is normally played, which just goes to show that the USA are a little way behind us just now, despite having some excellent acts. Steve Gordon was noted doing late evening spots at the weekend. Other than that, everything was just about normal.

### OTHER IRISH STATIONS by Sean Brady.(presenter with Cavan Community Radio).

**BREFFNI RADIO....**This station are currently testing on FM, on about 98.7mhz. On Thursday 18th April, the signal was very good, but, since then further transmissions have not been noted.

**RADIO WEST....**Last year, this station were broadcasting coast to coast(Galway to Dublin) on FM on 102.3mhz., from a very high location in the centre of Ireland. The signal was excellent throughout the large area. Unfortunately, the transmitter was vandalised, and, for a short time after this disastrous event, the station were offering a substantial reward for information regarding same. The station had plans to broadcast coast to coast in stereo eventually. Q 102 is now broadcasting on 102.1mhz., and for Radio West to re-commence near to this powerful transmitter, would, I believe, be disastrous, as regards reception. However, Radio West have always broadcast locally on 99.8mhz., covering an area about five miles around Mullingar. On Monday 22nd April, I noticed that Radio West were broadcasting with high power on 99.8mhz., although the signal was continually cutting out, no doubt, as engineers made further adjustments. The signal next day was even better, although the engineers were still adjusting. Hopefully, when these tests have been completed, the station may consider broadcasting in stereo. This would complement Radio West's excellent output of power on 765khz.

**BIG'M' RADIO.** This station, based in Main Street, Castleblaney, is now definitely broadcasting an excellent signal on 103.5mhz. FM., in addition to 1359khz.,AM.



Our thanks to Sean Brady for this report, we look forward to the next. As regards Radio West's 102.3mhz transmissions, we can confirm the very high power used/high location as we had absolutely no problem in receiving the signal in Blackpool, almost 200 miles from the transmitter. We had planned an article on FM from this location, but due to space problems, we have decided to feature it in the next issue of Free Radio Round-Up. It mainly features what we use to receive these distant signals and general comments and hints for those who would like to do likewise. So, get a copy of FRR No. 2, from us now, if you are into this sort of thing. Also, I can send copies(10p each) of the American FM Aerial Tuner I use, The Magnum Power Sleuth and all the details about it, plus details of the FM aerials I use. Please enquire, as I know a number of people are interested in long distance FM.

#### THE VOICE OF PEACE.

No further news from this source, except to say that Abie still needs a transmitter engineer desperately(Is there no one out there who would like to go out to the VOP?) I understand that the FM transmitter has now broken down, and they are only broadcasting on AM.

#### CAROLINE.

As reported in last week's WR, James Day, from ABC in Waterford, arrived and did his first show at mid-day on Wednesday. He experienced one or two technical problems at first, but very soon settled into things, and he sounds very much at home now. He is a seafaring man. A second new man was heard on Saturday, his name, Neil Francis. Further details of his whereabouts previously are not yet known, but he sounds very professional too. John Lewis returned also, on this day, at 12 noon. Possibly Dave Richards could have come off the ship, but we are only guessing at this time.

The big news from this station is the religious programmes back on 963khz., after Monique has closed down at six o'clock. It seems to consist of non stop gospel type tunes for an hour then Roy Masters for an hour, then another hour of tunes. These programmes were first noted last Wednesday. A lot of people will no doubt be upset, but many can listen to Caroline on 576khz., and more will be able to soon, with the extra power planned. The final tune at about five to nine was extremely popular with a number of people including us here. The thing is, was it Alan Haven or Jimmy McGriff? Answers on a postcard..... Finally with this station, Saturday night's personel top 5 at 9.30pm., was for a Ruth and Barrie Johnston in Anorakland! Fancy!

#### LASER.

Still off, still having problems with that aerial. I wonder if they are going to get it back on the air in time for their birthday at the end of the month. The London Evening Standard apparently don't know....in their issue dated Wednesday 1st May, and headed...."On the air...a pirate with blue blood" they say.....Pirate Radio ship Laser 558 has hired a new disc-jockey - a distant cousin of the Princess of Wales. American Alan Stuart Wortley Bishop, 25, who began spinning the discs on the station this week, said:"we're blood relatives. You'll find my name in Burke's Peerage. Diana and I share the same great, great, great grandfather, a pork packer from Ohio, called John Wood". "The family seat is in Wortley, near Sheffield, and my uncle is heir apparent to Earl Wharnccliffe. I'm sixth in line." "My parents know the present Earl quite well". Alan has just arrived first class by Virgin Airlines from New York. He will spend the next two months aboard the MV Communicator, a 180 foot former Lowestoft fishing trawler, home of Laser 558. He has a degree in business studies and spent two years working for radio stations in Detroit and Worcester, Massachusetts. They obviously have not tuned in lately. Our thanks to Alan Porter of Hornchurch for that gem.

#### LAND-BASED STATIONS.

MANCHESTER.....No stations operating from this area this week, at all. LIVERPOOL.... A Radio Veronica(must be about the fifth one) has been noted on 104.7mhz., recently. At the weekend, Storeton Community Radio were noted with a good signal here, on 1026khz., AM., both Saturday and Sunday, and promising Bank Holiday Monday. Radio Merseywaves were back with the superb quality of previous weeks(except last week), on 1242khz., mentioning FM also. Apparently, they thought the DTI might be about last week, so moved location and changed transmitters, resulting in some pretty abysmal transmissions, and off channel too! They were noted on both Saturday and Sunday. KISS FM were on Sunday, on 102.85mhz. So. too, were WFM, on 90.3mhz. The latter two were not heard here, but logged in Liverpool.

CHESTER. Chester Community Radio were logged in Liverpool in the week, on 103.6mhz. FM.They said they would be on Sunday and Monday this weekend, and Sundays thereafter from 7.00pm till mid-night.



BLACKPOOL. K 104 were heard on Saturday morning from just before ten o'clock, but were obviously having problems, as there was a loud buzz heard also. The station went off before noon, and have not been noted since.

STAFFORD. Radio WX had quite a good coverage in the local press there, and we have copies if anyone wants same. A new transmitter has been acquired and from this week, Radio Wx will be operating with 20 watts power on 103.5mhz. The station has announced that on the weekend of 11/12th May, they will be on air for 24 hours from mid-day Saturday with Chris Levell doing the whole 24 hours himself, being sponsored in aid of local charities. The same day, the station has organised sponsored runs, darts matches and various other events, all for charity. Our thanks to S.G. for that news item.

PLYMOUTH. Sound City Radio were heard by Glenn Hocking again last week, on 105.5mhz.FM., on Sunday evening. Their schedule was 7pm., Steve Grant, 8pm., John Turner, 9pm., Bowen James, 10pm. till 11pm., close-down, Phil Brown with "Night Shift".

MIDLANDS. Sounds Alternative on 1179khz., were logged here in Blackpool by Sandy Mountain and also in Leicester by Paul Graham, who also logged Radio Neptune from Herts.

BELFAST. The KISS FM court case comes up on Thursday 16th May in Belfast.

LONDON. Alan Porter reports the following heard mid-week in Hornchurch....Skyline, London Weekend London Greek, Horizon and Solar.

Allen Dean logged a number of stations in London on a recent visit, they read.....

ASIAN PEOPLE'S RADIO on 90.8mhz.....P.O. Box 12, London N19.

SKYLINE RADIO on 1413khz and 90.2mhz.(daily)....32 High Street, London SE.25.

SOLAR RADIO on 102.5mhz(daily)....Unit 1, 8 - 20 Well Street, Hackney, London E.9.

LONDON WEEKEND RADIO on 92.5mhz(daily)....address not known.

HORIZON RADIO on 94.5mhz(daily)....4 Lexington Street, London W.1.

CITY SOUNDS on 90.8mhz(Testing)....148 Ridley Road, London E.8.

ALICE'S RESTAURANT on 92.4mhz(testing)....1 St. Barnabus Road, Woodford Green, Essex.

K-JAZZ on 94.1mhz., (weekends)....10 Lower John St., London W.1.

NIGHT STAR on 90.9mhz(testing)....address not known.

RENEGADE RADIO on 1404khz.(Weekends)....50 Longmoor, Cheshunt, Herts.

Greek and Arabic stations were noted on 92.7mhz., 90.5 and 104mhz.

#### ITALY.

A new man is about to join Riviera 104, and Dave Windsor and Paul James, his name is Phil Kennedy and he has worked on Radio Jackie and weekends on Radio 1, I am told.

#### HOLLAND.

Mark Palmer reports on a recent trip to Holland, where he went in search of pirate ships. The Paradijs ship, the Magda Maria is moored around the back of a warehouse, near a customs office at the Entrepot Haven in Amsterdam. By means of a bit of trespassing, I was able to get right up alongside it. The mast and all the superstructure is intact, other than the feeder wires having been cut, although the ship itself is in poor condition, the hull rusty and the paint blistering off. I very much doubt if she will ever broadcast again.

The Veronica ship. The Norderney is now a floating disco, and is kept in extremely good condition. I found her by sheer co-incidence, moored behind the Centraal Station. I took loads of photos, only to have them ruined by "One Hour" processors.

On the LBP scene, the FM band is packed with pirates, almost all playing disco music! Such stations included Radio Star on 101.5mhz., Radio Monet(?) on 99.3mhz., Radio Vierest on 100.5mhz., Einstein Radio on 97.4mhz., and V.F.M. on 89.4mhz. Light/Pop stations included Radio Daff on about 93mhz., Decibel Radio on 96 and Radio Santa Ross, all sounding a bit like Radio Mi Amigo, while Radio Delta on 87.9mhz., was a horrible "barrel organ" station, over-compressed and sounding almost as bad as the medium wave ones. Only one Ethnic station was heard, an unidentified one on 100mhz.

Our thanks to Mark for that interesting report.

Still in Holland, Ken Baird logged '180m' pirates at the weekend, Zender Kristal and Armada. He also logged still more second harmonics of Irish stations, his latest tally must now be approaching ten, if not more. A harmonic station list might be his next project!



### SHORT WAVE STATIONS.

Dare I say it, things were slightly better today, not a lot, and not everywhere. They were certainly no better here, nor in Leicester. We could only log the odd station.

First of all, amendments and comments from previous weeks logs. Falcon Radio have asked us to mention that Leslie Mann of 68 Wordsworth Street, Liverpool, Merseyside, L8 0RP was the winner of the Peter Moss Quiz. He wins a £5.00 record token.

Podney is back(thank goodness) and he reports that last week, our UNID on 6225khz., was Albatros Radio, P.O. Box 290, 3330AG, Zwyndrecht, Holland. He also heard a whisper of West-Side Radio! He thinks operators ought to try 3900 - 3950khz., for better results.

A Dutch friend of Podney's thinks that the UNID heard on Easter Sunday on 7348khz., was without doubt, Radio Noorderzon, P.O. Box 1017, 2200BA Noordwijk, Holland.

SHORT WAVE LOGS courtesy of Sandy Mountain, Gary Hogg and Ken Baird only.

6200khz...FALCON RADIO, at 0911gmt.(Scotland only).

6207khz...RADIO DELMARE, also relaying RADIO RASTAFARI AND RADIO C.L.C.G., at various times.(All).

6230khz...RADIO EAST COAST COMMERCIAL, at 0912gmt.(Scotland only).

6240khz...RADIO TONAIR, at 0746 and 0810gmt.(All).

6280khz...WESTSIDE RADIO INT., at 0936 and 1011gmt.(All, very briefly and very weak).

6300khz...RADIO DUTCH BOY, at 0944gmt.(Scotland only).

6910khz...RADIO DUBLIN, at 0948gmt.(Very briefly, in Scotland).

7315khz...FUTURE WORLD RADIO, at 0936gmt.(All).

7340khz...RADIO WAVES, at 1016gmt.(Scotland).

7345khz...RADIO BATIDA, at 1020gmt.(All).

7445khz...RADIO 101, at 0815gmt.(Leeds and Scotland).

And that was it, could things be improving, I wonder. No logs from Cornwall this week, so we await Podney's log in the week, to see how he went on.

LATE NEWS ITEMS. Podney reports that a friend of his in Chelmsford, Essex has heard recently a station called Radio Lola, with an address of Woodrose Lodge, Lupin Drive, Springfield, Chelmsford, Essex, on 104.4mhz., FM mono, stating that they would be starting regular broadcasts on 21st April 1985. No further details are known.

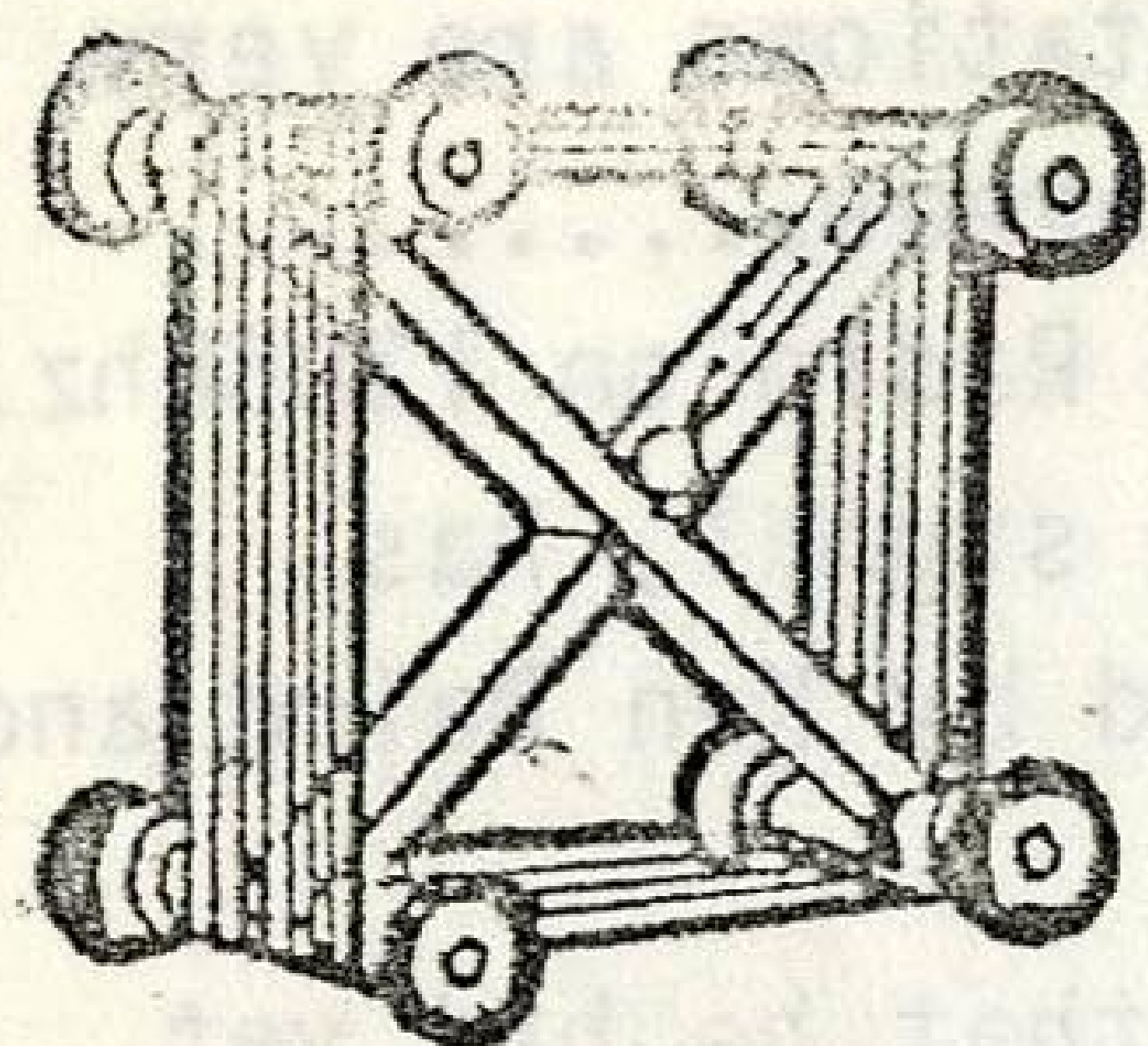
Dave Richards appeared on Caroline at 6.00pm., Sunday, so, has obviously not gone off.

Jeremy James, recently of the Voice of Peace, has secured a job with Radio Top Shop in Liverpool, one of the largest shops of that chain, in the country. After initial training he will do three full days a week, plus one day in the Manchester shop. Kevin Van Gelden, also recently ex VOP, is also working there.

Monday morning, Ireland, Boyneside Radio have appeared with yet another relay, this time on 1404khz., very recently occupied by Radio Carousel. This is the fifth outlet for Boyneside Radio, and although we can receive it loud and clear here, it is not yet known to what area it is directed, or in what area it is located. The channel has been used very successfully by Radio Carousel with a Northern Ireland relay, until quite recently, and it is not known why they were not using it at present. Possibly due to break-downs, as the transmitter has given a little trouble before.

Best wishes  
To All Readers AND The CAROLINE FAMILY.  
OF WR.  
with Love  
From John Lewis (JOHN LEWIS)  
MAY 85  
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We have nothing much to offer in the line of photo-copies this week, apart from a little bundle taken from various magazines, and sent in by Barry Collins of Coventry. They feature mainly the closure of Gwent Broadcasting and the apparent reasons for it, plus a few bits about the IBA etc. 10p plus SAE if anyone would like copies. Our thanks to Barry for bothering to cut them out and send them to us.

The Happy Cobbler(details on the back of WR 47/48) seems to think we ought to have some "Anoraks U.K." stickers. He has sent a sample and they are very good, so, as soon as the remainder arrive we shall send all our members(the people who take WR)one each.

Next Saturday and Sunday marks the second anniversary of the great Irish radio station raids of 1983. These raids nearly ended independent radio in Ireland, and mark a major milestone in the history of same. At the time, we, at Anoraks U.K., hastily assembled, with the help of John Lewis, a C.90 tape of all the major events of those three or four days. It ended up eventually as "The Great Irish Radio Experiment - The End?" and sold many hundreds of copies. It is a must for anyone, even those only slightly interested in Irish radio. We still have copies for sale and they cost a mere £3.00. Another organisation promised an even better one, shortly after ours, but two years later, we are still awaiting. As for being better, well, send for ours and see what you think.

The week after next sees another anniversary connected with the above, anyone know what it is? We shall be offering a free tape then, so get one ready to send.

Finally in this introductory spot, initial copies of Monitor No. 30 have sold out. we expect a second batch shortly, but orders in the next day or so will be delayed slightly. They cost 60p and back copies cost 90p for this excellently written and produced(and printed) magazine. Members(people on Monitor's mailing list) can receive one copy of the current edition at a minimum donation of 25p., but Buster really depends on people sending more. We charge a more realistic price, in agreement with Buster, and once postage has been deducted, he does receive the whole amount, which we think he deserves. This explains why our charges are different. The current edition is yet another action-packed copy(56 pages, the biggest yet), despite promises of a thin edition. The next edition will hopefully be in October.

Like Buster, we are experiencing great success with WR, which compliments Monitor, Offshore Echos and CM Bulletin very well, and, as a result have less and less time to write back to people with information. If you do not receive a personal letter back from us, please look in the next week's WR, as the answer will likely be included. Please do keep writing with information, queries, newspaper cuttings, requests, in fact for anything at all. This way, we can let people know what is happening in your area. On to news from the stations now(at last).....

### NOVA & MAGIC 103.

Despite a second service operating, very few slip-ups of note, and credit must go to everyone who has done that little extra, to help get it going. Phone-ins are very popular with Magic, and the Saturday ones with Peter Madison are most interesting, as they always seem to get around to radio. Last Saturday but one was rather a good one, when a few "Ghosts" from the past were interviewed. We have copies of this on a C.60 in excellent stereo.(Blank tape plus SAE).

Chris Barry duly joined Magic last Monday and does the early show(6 till 9) as he did on Q 102. On the subject of musical chairs, both Hugh O'Brien and Tony Fenton(both ex Nova) have joined RTE, along with Andy Rua(ex Sunshine), and will be heard from June, doing weekend shows.

Recent good medium wave radio conditions have enabled many more people to hear Nova, when the 50kw transmitter is on(daylight hours), as far afield as Cornwall and Suffolk.

Present line-up on Nova(Magic will be printed when the line-up is more settled).....  
6.00am., John Clark, 9.00am., Rick Dees, 10.00am., Greg Gaughran, 1.00pm., Tony McKenzie, 4.00pm., Colm Hayes, 8.00pm., Henry Owens, Midnight, Noel Clancy.  
News-readers...Bob Gallico, Mark Weller, Bernie Jamieson, Dave Johnson and George Long.  
Weekend presenters....Peter Madison, George Talbot, Dave Harvey, Steve Gordon.  
Special shows....Rick Dees Top Forty(Saturdays) and European Top 40 with Declan Meehan(normally,



Before we continue, we should like to point out that the following stations are very slightly off-channel, causing a slight growl or buzz for listeners on the fringe areas..... Radio Dublin on 1188khz., Radio Carousel on 1071khz., and either ERI or Boyneside Radio on 1305khz. Wicklow Community Radio on 1602khz., whilst putting out a superb strong and clear signal, has colossal side-bands. The above info mainly intended at radio stations, is supplied by Ken Baird and Barrie Johnston and is in the interests of better listening for everyone.

Apologies to Heddy Eddie of Boyneside Radio. We suggested last week that he had yet another relay on 1404khz. Whilst his signal could be heard loud and clear on this channel, after speaking with him, it appears that it was someone else who was relaying the station(possibly Carousel Radio from Dundalk). Still, at Boyneside, it appears that a Cavan relay is very imminent (whatever happened to the Navan relay?), as adverts for that area are being aired. And, finally, one of the best programmes on the radio in the week, can be heard on 1305khz., and is called "Afternoon Delight" and is presented by Heddy Eddie weekdays at 2.00pm. Give it a listen if you are in the area, if not, then send me a tape and I will record a show for you off the AM. I cannot receive FM too well here, due to the emergency services around 98.1mhz.

The rest of the Irish news by Sean Brady.

**BREFFNI RADIO:** On the afternoon of Thursday 2nd May, after numerous days of test transmissions, the station began broadcasting officially on about 99mhz. FM. Earlier in the week, the station had been broadcasting across the entire FM band, but thankfully, this problem has been sorted out. The signal on 99FM is very clear and is being received over a wide area.

**ERNESIDE RADIO** This station is going through a problem-free period. The signal output on 1251khz., is always clear and precise. To compliment this excellent signal, the station is rumoured to have purchased a high power FM transmitter. However, test transmissions have not commenced as yet, and it is not known when they will start.

**CAVAN COMMUNITY RADIO.** The four singles in the "Holiday for Two in Spain" Giveaway, were finally played in their entirety without any interruption. This occurred on Thursday 25th April 1985 between 5.18 and 5.34pm. The tenth caller to CCR in Cavan was announced at 5.45pm., she came from County Fermanagh.

On the first three days of May, CCR were present at The Home and Leisure Exhibition in Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh. Interviews, requests and dedications were broadcast live over the airwaves of CCR via the telephone system.

**RADIO WEST.** Having recently purchased a directional FM beam aerial, I now notice that the Mullingar based station have changed their FM frequency. As reported earlier, Radio West were testing with high power on 99.8mhz FM. However, these tests have now ceased, and Radio West have moved frequency from 99.8 to 96.3mhz. The signal on this frequency is just about audible. This is due mainly to the fact that 96.3mhz., is aimed to be received within a four mile radius of Mullingar town only.

**BREFFNI RADIO.** As mentioned previously, this station is broadcasting now on two frequencies, 1170khz., and 98.75mhz FM. However, there are rumours of this station expanding into the Midlands with headquarters, perhaps in Longford Town.

Finally in Ireland, extensive reports will be appearing shortly, following trips over that side by Paul Graham, and Dave Small & Mike Davies, in the meantime we welcome your report, if you live in Ireland.

**THE VOICE OF PEACE.** It appears that this station has now gone off AM, and as a result of not having a transmitter engineer, has had to sail into port(Ashdod). It is understood that help is on the way thankfully, and reports on this will appear as soon as confirmation of this assistance is forthcoming/

**CAROLINE.** The music before and after the religious shows at 7.00pm nightly are creating some interest, and I actually find myself tuning in to the broadcasts. Meanwhile, 576khz., is reported as being received in Scotland now.

Yesterday and today saw very rough conditions, sea-wise, and no trips or tenders were expected. The present line-up looks like this.....6.00am., John Lewis, 9.00am., Jay Jackson, midday, James Day, 3.00pm., Neil Francis, 6.00pm., Dave Richards, 10.00pm., Fergie McNeil, 2.00am., Chris Pearson.

Persons heard in the night with weird and wonderful names like Morris Dancer are without question the same person, an engineer most popularly known as Bilbo Baggins.

Brian Marshall(the man reading the news) is reported by various persons as coming from Alices Restaurant/Phoenix Radio.



**LASER.** The station is back! I first heard them on Wednesday morning, but I understand from my very good friend Buster, that the transmitter switched on initially at 13.28bst., on Tuesday, music was first heard at 14.30 and programmes re-commenced at 15.00bst.

Initially there seemed to be only four presenters on board, then Charlie Wolf returned and since his return, the line-up has looked like this.....5.00am., Craig Novack (the new man, no doubt the one mentioned in WR last week), 9.00am., Christine Carson, 1.00pm., Tommy Rivers, 5.00pm., Liz West, 9.00pm., Charlie Wolf.

All, bar Charlie Wolf, were in the studio when transmissions re-commenced and they said they had been hibernating, and that the aerial would not fall down again (this is no doubt being tested as I write this).

A film crew is due on board any day to make a film to be shown at the first anniversary on 24th May at the London Hippodrome.

A new advert for Kim Wild's new single has been heard, also a new programme, the European Top Thirty. The above info from Pete Evans and Ronnie Simmons.

**BELGIUM.** Alan West has joined Radio S.I.S. in this country. The address of the station is Rue Vilain X14, 40, 1050 Brussels, Belgium. Tel: 010 31 2 6480490.

The station plays Top Forty music daily in English, on 104.5mhz FM mono (stereo is not allowed). Alan can be heard from 6.00am., till 10.00am., then Kevin Tover from 10.00am till 2.00pm., then Alan again for two hours, then Kevin for two hours, followed by a Dutch programme, then an American guy, then just tapes throughout the night.

**ITALY.** Dario Monferini reports that there are rumours from Radio Milano International that from Sunday 8th September 1985, Radio Earth International will start a six hour regular programme in English to Europe. Radio Victoria will continue on Saturdays only for six hours via Radio Milano.

Radio Nuova Musica who are often heard on 7480khz., SW, can be found at Via Burrida 24/a, 33080, Porcia, Italy. Tel: (0434) 366366. Managing Director is Claretti Claudio. The station also broadcast locally on 87.6, 99.9, 105.5, and 96.7mhz. FM.

#### **LAND-BASED STATIONS**

**BLACKPOOL.** As reported in last week's WR., K 104 went off the air just before midday last Saturday but one. The station was raided by four police and two DTI men, who took away all the station's equipment in a Mitchells Self-Drive Rent-a-van, a Transit (other ops., watch out for this type of vehicle!). Names of persons on the scene were taken and a court case is expected to follow.

**MANCHESTER.** KFM are reported to be considering returning. RNI 105 are known to be on fairly regularly on about 105.0mhz., from the Bury area, although not received at this location.

**LIVERPOOL.** Three stations were heard here this weekend, Storeton Community Radio on 1026khz., KISS FM on 102.85mhz FM., and Radio Merseywaves on 1242khz. The latter were late appearing and station owner went into great detail (as he normally does) as to the reason for this late appearance. He mentioned problems with the modulator and also with the aerial, and went on to say that due to a recent raid by the DTI (11th Nov.), the station were having to make do with disco gear and the like, until he, Burt Williams, could build new equipment. He said however that the transmitter he designed was intended for 24hour a day use. The transmitter in question does give an excellent signal far and wide. Burt's programmes, from 3 till 6 on Sunday afternoons, make compelling listening, due to the good old tunes he plays and the great detail he goes into over the slightest event occurring on the station. If anyone would like a copy of his programme, and are out of his area please feel free to send me a blank cassette and SAE, and I will record next Sunday's show.

**LONDON.** Not a great deal from here this week, except to say that South East Sounds on their 21st April programmes celebrated their 6th Birthday, and had a party. They extended their broadcasts till 1800hrs., and dug up various people from the past. They also featured the history of the station. Thanks to Dave Humphrey for this info.

Phil Howlett of Dunstable reports Radio Neptune heard there every Sunday from around 11.00am until 1.00pm. The D.J. line-up includes....Dave Rogers, Matt Black, Bob Stone and Paul Leighton.

**SUNDERLAND.** Phil Champion reports that "The Journal" (Newcastle) reported a court case in Sunderland on April 26th, when the operator of Sunderland Independent Radio, Colin Oliver (21) was fined £100 for using a transmitter without a license. He had operated an FM station on 89mhz. FM. The prosecution had claimed it had interfered with radio 2 and the airlines.



\* STAFFORD. Radio WX, on Monday 29th April, installed a new 20w. FM transmitter, which now operates on 103.5mhz. An instant increase in signal strength and quality over the previous transmitter was noted, and during tests, phone calls from as far away as Stoke on Trent and Birmingham were received. It is estimated that over £200 was raised for Ethiopia with the recent sponsored 24 hr. DJ stint.

A station called A - 103, a subsidiary of a well known SW one, is sharing facilities with WX, and is planning broadcasts on Friday night from 9.00 till mid-night with a mix of album tracks and local news/events. The D.J.'s involved there are David Scott, John Allen and Peter Martine. The first A - 103 programme went out on 29th April between 10.30 and mid-night. The address is P.O. Box 5, Hunstanton, Norfolk, PE36 5AU.

Radio Black Star was reported testing with 10w., on 29th April, on 105mhz., from the Penkridge area.

The old Radio WX transmitter is being installed in a new base in Penkridge, 5 miles South of Stafford, and will operate two nights a week with 10w. It will have the same address as Radio WX Stafford.

#### SHORT WAVE STATIONS.

Amendments to last week's log from Podney R. Sixe.....He failed to receive Falcon Radio, on 6200khz., but he did get Radio Albatross on 6225khz., Radio E.C.C. on a parallel frequency with 6230khz., of 7316khz., at 1030gmt.

On the Bank Holiday Monday, he logged.....Radio Kristel Int., at 1000gmt., on 6238khz. County Radio at 1025gmt., on 6240khz., and Starboard Sound at 0904gmt., on 6307khz.

#### SHORT WAVE LOGS for Sunday 12th May 1985.

6200khz...FALCON RADIO, at 0921 and 0930gmt.

6225khz...RADIO ALBATROSS, at 0830 and 0957gmt.

6227khz...UNID., at 0850gmt., with a dx programme.

6239khz...UNID., with an address of p.o. box 15, Annan, 9460 ?? , Holland???

6240khz...CLIMAX RELAY SERVICE, at 0859 and 0940gmt.

6275khz...UNID., at 0917 and 0935gmt., sounded like Free Radio ----- Int., P.O. Box 77 etc.

6280khz...WESTSIDE RADIO INT., at 1020 and 1028gmt.

6300khz...RADIO DUTCH BOY., at 0936gmt.

6307khz...UNID., (was it Sarboard Sound?) at 1026gmt.

7309khz...UNID., with "Non stop music" jingle at 0835gmt.

7340khz...UNID., (possibly Radio Waves?).

7354khz...RADIO BRIGITTE., at 1035, 1049 and s/o at 1100gmt.

7445khz...RADIO 101, at 0857gmt.

Our thanks for these logs to Dave Small(Cannock), Ken Baird(Ayr), Ian Biggar(Kilbirnie) and Glen Hocking (Cornwall).

Conditions were definitely better today, but look like being as bad as ever next Sunday, so they (the experts) say.

One or two addresses, as we have a little space left.....All SW listeners should take this mag... Radiotelex, send 40p to us for a sample copy, then subscribe(all details in each issue).

Radio Albatross, Postbus 290, 3330 AG, Zwijndrecht, Zuid Holland.

Radio Delmare, Postbus 36, B 2050, Antwerp, Belgium.

Radio Dutch Boy, Postbus 87, 7711 GD, Nieuwleusen, Holland.

Radio Spoleto Int., Piazza Garibaldi 17, I - 06049, Spoleto, Italy.

Sunrise Radio, Postbus 41, 7700 AA, Dedemsvaart, Holland.

Radio Nova 4, Postbus 29, Staphorst, Holland.

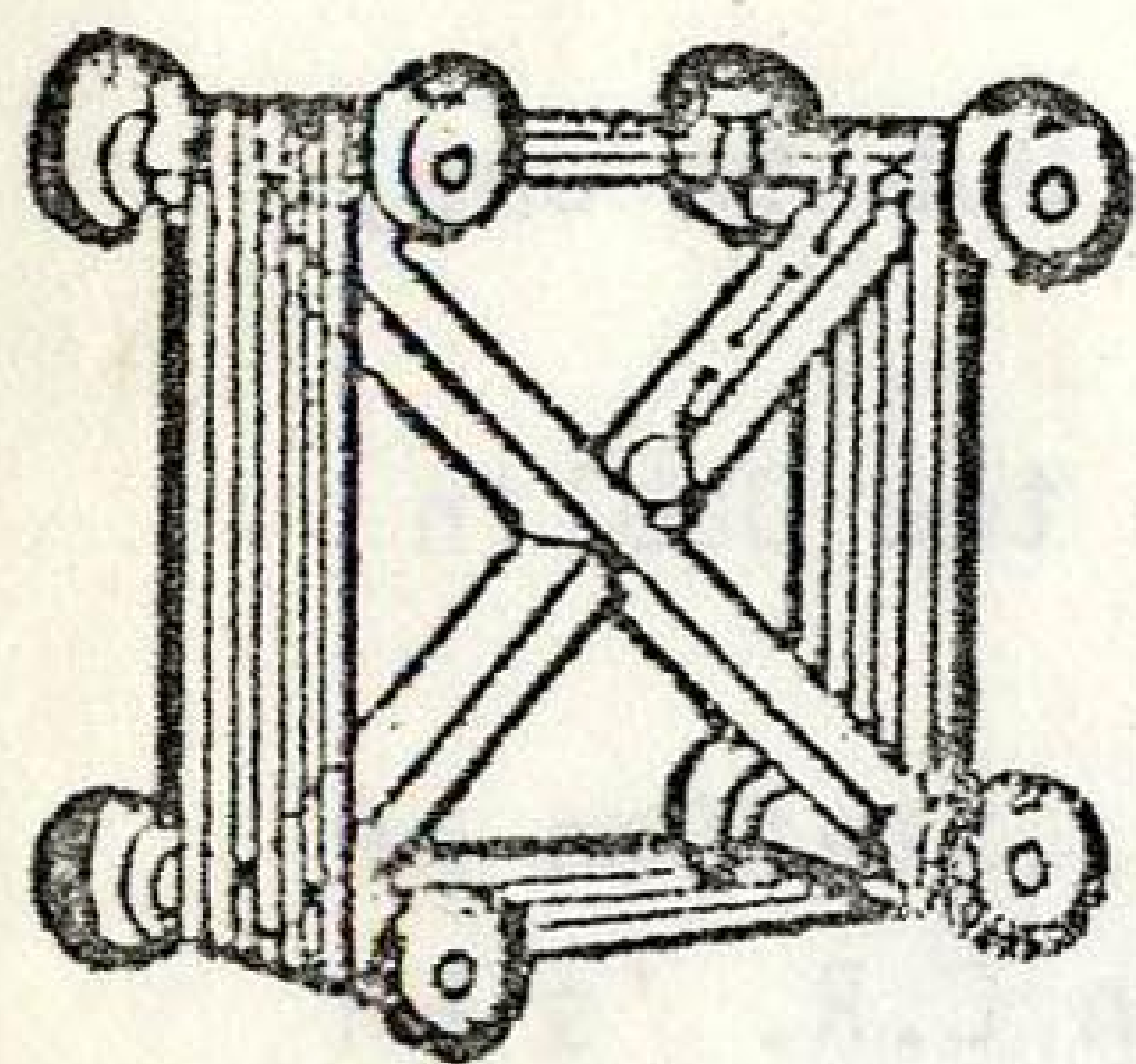
Our thanks to Radiotelex, Podney and Dario Monferini for this info. By the way, Dario's address, if anyone would like to write for his magazine(like ours, Weekly), PLAY-DX, is Via Davazati 8, I - 20158, Milano, Italy. It contains all the Italian info plus lots of logs(IT is mainly in Italian).

Finally, has anyone any press media cuttings about the latest Laser misfortunes?

Just arrived.....Dublin newspaper cuttings about Magic and How the pirates are having it tough (are they?), the usual 10p plus SAE please for copies.

Transmitters etc., details from Electron Electronics(send SAE to us plus 10p to us for lists).





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## WEEKLY REPORT

P.O. BOX 539  
BLACKPOOL

No. 55 19th May 1985.

We have nothing new in merchandise this week, except up to date copies of the Irish Independent Radio Station Lists, and the address lists. These are 20p each as usual, and are bang up to date, in fact as correct as we think we have ever got them. Free Radio Round-Up has been delayed due to a mass of news appearing on the editors desk at the last moment, but, he tells me he should have it in print by the weekend. We have very little in newspaper cuttings apart from two or three small pieces taken from Broadcast magazine, and from the Dublin Evening Herald, all three bits feature Laser. Finally, if space permits, we have a written statement from SW Radio Victoria, a photograph of the recent Nova 'Funny Bubble' posters plus one or two stickers, but, news first....

### NOVA/MAGIC 103.

The splitting into two stations seems to have worked out quite well, without many extra staff being needed. Both stations come together at news time, with the exception of the Breakfast time news, when each run their own. Magic seems to have established a recognised line-up, and it reads thus.....6.30am., Chris Barry, with George Long on news, 9.00am., Dave Harvey with plenty of phone-ins, focusing on holidays of late(Dave will be missing for a short while, as he takes a break, his temporary replacement is not yet known).., 10.00am., Bob Gallico(after a swift trip from Nova), and Peter Madison together, mid-day, Linda Conway and Jenny McIvor, 2.00pm., Mark Weller, 4.00pm., Dave Johnson, till 6.00pm., or 7.00pm. From this time, Magic relays Nova until 6.30am., next morning.

A Saturday programme for young people, presented by young people is planned each Saturday on Magic. Adverts asking for suitable young people to present the show were aired on both Nova and Magic during the week. The youngsters had to present themselves at the Leeson Street studios of Magic between mid-day and 2.00pm. on Saturday. It is not yet known how many turned up, but knowing Nova and this sort of thing, I should imagine a great many.

It is understood that Nova's Dublin Today programme is now finished, now that Magic is on the air, which is really a massive Dublin Today(all day).

Nova experienced some problems from time to time in the week with the odd breakdown, many of them briefly. Monday however was different, as Nova's 738khz. signal was badly distorted for a great part of the day. This was reported quite early on in the day to the station.

Dave Harvey's Sunday night programme on Nova, was done by Noel Clancy, giving far-away listeners a chance to hear this excellent presenter.(He normally does the mid-night shift).

The European Top Forty("played on great radio stations like the one your listening to now") continues to be hosted by Chris Cary.

A couple of letters in during the week have asked why the daily Rick Dees programme is bang on the day it was made for, yet the weekend chart show is three weeks old(answers from Nova in a funny bubble please ! ).

### SUNSHINE RADIO.

One or two changes have been noted of late, temporary ones, Paul Kavanagh stood in for Mark Byrne last weekend, who was ill. Cathy Cregan is currently missing due to family illness. Robbie Dale is taking a break from his morning show, due to pressure of work. His place has been filled 'admirably' by Q 102 instigator, Lawrence John. A new name was noted on news, Joyce Jackson.

### RADIO WEST.

A new name heard on this station this week, and sounding very well too. Dave Rogers, formerly Paul Rogers of recent Voice of Peace fame, and formerly Radio Elenore of Liverpool. This station always sounds good, in presentation and signal strength, and can be heard far and wide, or coast to coast, as they say. We shall print their line-up next week. Dave is currently doing the early show from 7.00am., and I am sure many of his former colleagues, friends and relations in Liverpool will be tuned in to him.

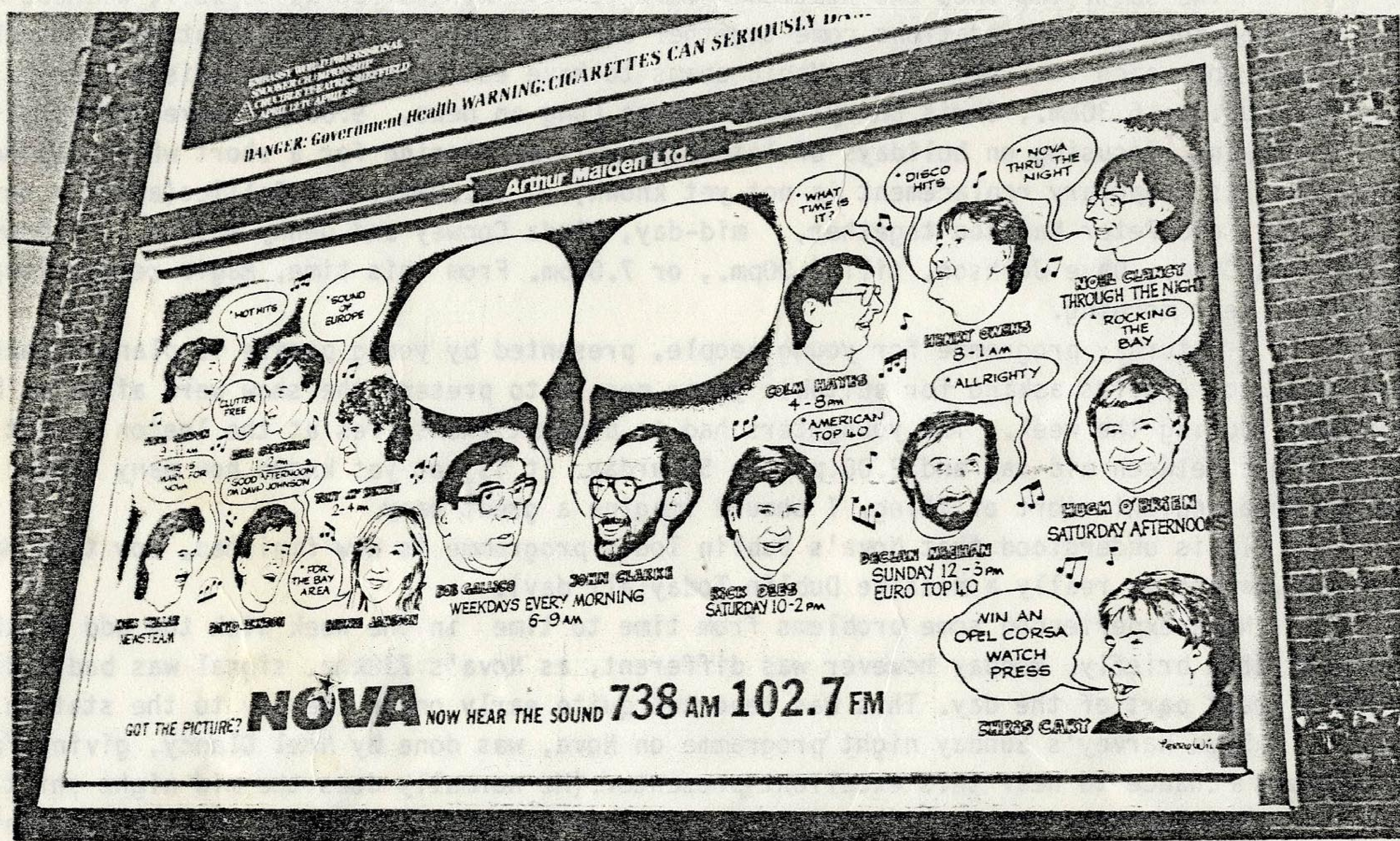
### OTHER IRISH STATIONS.

I.C.B.S., the religious station from Dublin have moved from 891 to 981khz. They can be heard loud and clear here, despite Hometown Radio on same channel. KISS FM(no connection with anything previously) have been heard daily on 1449khz., and 104.2mhz.



FM, announcing "Stereo 105". The MW transmitter is thought to be the old Caroline Dublin one, and the 104.2mhz one, the old Dublin Community Radio one. Radio Sandymount re-appeared mid-week on 1530khz., and no doubt on 103.3mhz FM in the Dublin area, although we will never know here as Radio Lancs are on the same frequency. The following news kindly supplied by Heady Eddie of Boyneside Radio, Drogheda.....Station of unknown name in Killarney, on FM only, soon to go AM with 1 kw on 1116khz. Cavan C.R. 's FM link, heavily jammed of late. Recent new station, Hometown Radio on 981khz., now on 98.6mhz. FM locally. Rumours of a new station on the Derry/Donegal border, Northside Sound, the same outfit who made application for a licence to the IBA recently, but were refused. Boyneside Radio's Cavan relay will soon be on the air, on either 1332khz., or 1323khz. More rumours of a new station, this time on the west coast of County Clare. Big 'M' C.R. on 1359khz., soon to change channel to 1413khz. Midland Radio who closed down in Longford in March, sold all their equipment to Erneside Radio in Cavan. Finally, Boyneside Radio on 1305khz., soon to get a new aerial.

Thanks to Eddie for that info, commenting on the last item, 1305khz., has been sounding a bit rosey of late. Hopefully this should restore it to its original quality and power.



ONE OF THE RADIO NOVA "FUNNY BUBBLE" POSTERS. THIS ONE APPEARED IN BETHESDA SQUARE, B'POOL.

### THE VOICE OF PEACE.

Some reports indicate the station is on, some report it off. I understand that some military personnel may have got the transmitters working again. Many of our contacts there have now returned home, but as mentioned in last week's WR, help is on the way. By now, the help should be there, in the form of Don Stevens and Keith York, both ex VOP stalwarts. Both have left their Galway station in capable hands, in order to help Abie Nathan to get his problems sorted out. If anyone can revamp it, they can. We await further reports.

### CAROLINE.

Not a lot happening here this week, two presenters off and two back on, Brian Marshall and Chris Pearson off, Fiona Jeffries and Peter (world service) Philips back on, according to our ears. Radio 963 (6.00pm till 9.00pm. nightly) still playing some good tunes.

### LASER.

Even less to report here, at least they have been on the air all week, although everyone keeps saying the power is well down. Newspaper reports (we have them) indicate that Buckingham Palace is embarrassed by the new man and his alleged connections with Princess Diane. I don't see why, I bet they listen to see what he is like!



## LAND-BASED STATIONS.

MANCHESTER. Carousel Radio are back! They were first heard here this morning, on 1242khz., with a weak signal, getting progressively weaker as the day went on. They announced test transmissions on 1242khz., and 242m., and said that they would soon be on the air 24 hours a day, and anyone interested in being on the station should write to Carousel Radio, Wilmslow, Cheshire.

RNI 105. Reports in from Howard Croft of Bury, say that the station is definitely on "playing the best music"(heard that before!), on 105.2mhz.FM.

LIVERPOOL. The only station received here today and yesterday was Radio Merseywaves on 1242khz., although that lacked Burt Williams this week. No others were received, although maybe some were on FM(conditions were a bit down this weekend).

TODMORDEN. The operator of this station is due to have a meeting with Giles Shaw of the Home Office regarding community radio, next Tuesday(21st.).

NOTTINGHAM. Sherwood Forest Radio are expected back soon, writes Ian Brown of Ilkeston. They are looking for new studios.

STAFFORD. Reports from Radio Apollo indicate that while Radio WX(103.5mhz) was on the air, on 4th May, police and three DTI men turned up at the ops house with a search warrant, searched his room and left. They did not turn up at the station, which continued as normal till close-down. As a result, WX has closed down and are re-building their studios and will be setting up again in June on medium wave, using an FM or UHF link, under a different name. The WX transmitter is on loan to A - 103 in Stafford(P.O. Box 5 etc.), and tests are taking place at night. Radio WX are offering their 20 watt FM transmitter for sale at £65(not including power supply), and any near offers can be made to AUK, P.O. Box 539 etc.

Finally, news of another Liverpool station has just come to hand....Radio Veronica mentioned recently in WR. The station broadcasts on 104.7mhz FM, transmission times are Friday night, 7 til 9pm or later, Sunday, 4 till 9pm or later. Mailing address is RV, 81 Lark Lane, Liverpool 17.

LEBANON. Radio Free from this city has resumed transmissions on about 100.2mhz., although it is at present spalttering up and down the band a little. It is a pop music station and was on very recently, until someone stole the transmitter about two months ago, reports Soren Bang Holm from United Nations Forces in Cyprus.

SHORT WAVE STATIONS. As predicted in last week's report, conditions were diabolical as expected, except in the South west for some reason, they had it quite reasonable, I understand.

Amendments to last week's log first.....from Podney.....He logged Westside Radio, testing on 6204.44khz., at 1211gmt., Zender Moonlight on 6240khz., at 0957gmt., (this was logged as UNID elsewhere last week), Podney wonders if it is the same station as Radio Moonlight on MW., with an address of Postbus 53, 9600AC, Hoogezand, Holland. Comparing it with the sketchy Postbus 15, Annan, 9460 ?? of last week, I suppose the 5, the 60 and the an are similar.????? Podney goes on.. He logged Westside on 6265.55khz., at 1218gmt., 6273khz., was Radio Atlantique 2000 Int., WMR calling CQ on 6280khz., at 1208gmt.

Podney again failed to log Radio Dutchboy on 6300khz., but does point out one thing the address of Radio Dutchboy is Postbus 87, 7710AB, Nieuwleuson, Holland, and the word Dutchboy is all one word. The op, according to Podney uses 30 - 35 watts, he started in 1980 on medium wave, then FM on 104.5mhz., and now short wave..He is 18 years old, and his 14 year old sister helps him with his English.

Still with Podney, he tells us that Radio Tonair uses 150 watts on short wave and 250 watts on medium wave. He has many crystals for MW. The op. started in 1975 with a small FM transmitter, then MW in 1982, and finally SW in 1984.

Radio Nova International(USA) can be contacted at P.O. Box 245, Moorhead, MN., 56560, USA.

Still with Podney, according to British DX Club, KHALSA VOICE was heard with a one off show on Radio Luxembourg on 26th February 1985. They were also heard via Radio Caroline on 963khz., on 1st May 1985, from 1900 - 1930 UTC., with an address of Khalsa Voice Int., Box 239, New Hyde Park, New York, 11040, USA. If anyone has a recording of either show, if they could let us know at AUK., P.O. Box 539 etc.



Many letters have been received recently concerning the disappearance of Radio Victoria. The following is a statement from that station, but due to its odd shape, the SW logs have been squashed into the remaining space, in order that we can fit one or two more bits and pieces in at the bottom of the page. That concludes all news for this week.....

RADIO VICTORIA has been silent now for four weekends, but with help from our friends of Radio Time/Florence-Italy we are back on the air- This is not the end but our LAST chapter in our history...

Programs are now to be heard from 9-11 hrs CE(S)T and from 13-15 hrs CE(S)T on 7105 kHz/42.22m every saturday and sunday. The program-schedule remains unchanged, only difference is that we interrupt our programs for two hours between 11 and 13 hrs, due to normally weak signal than. RV is celebrating it's 2nd birthday on the air weekend 14/15th of S pt.1985.

On sunday, 6th of October 1985 we will close down with a special 4-hrs-program featuring goodbye-messages of our dj's past & present, recorded final words from faithful listeners and the best 50 songs out of our own Super 20 over 2 years...

This very last transmission will go out from 9:00-13:00 hrs CE(S)T simultaneously on 7105kHz via Radio Time and 6205 kHz via Radio Dolmore. Will also be available on for interested listeners on tape.

We thank you all for your support. RV's closedown does not mean the end of our radioactivities, some of us are soon back. We're sure, RV will be remembered, bye!

6200khz...FALCON RADIO, at 0830 & 0948gmt.  
6205khz...F.R.S. HOLLAND, 0850gmt.  
6225khz...RADIO ALBATROSS, at 0929gmt.  
6230khz...UNID., at 1112 and 1145gmt.  
6240khz...SPECTRUM W.B., at 0830gmt.  
6280khz...WESTSIDE RADIO, at 0953gmt.  
6290khz...UNID, at 1033gmt.(music).  
6300khz...WEEKEND M.R., at 1120gmt.  
6305khz...RADIO DUTCHBOY, at 1000gmt.  
6310khz...REBEL RADIO(via relay), at 1004gmt.  
7330khz...RADIUO ATLANTIQUE 2000 int., 0902gmt.  
7375khz...CRYSTAL RADIO, at 1025gmt.  
7445khz...RADIO 101, at 0842gmt.

And that was it, today's loggers were Glen Hocking of Cornwall, Ken Baird of Ayr in Scotland, and Dave Small in Cannock, Staffs.



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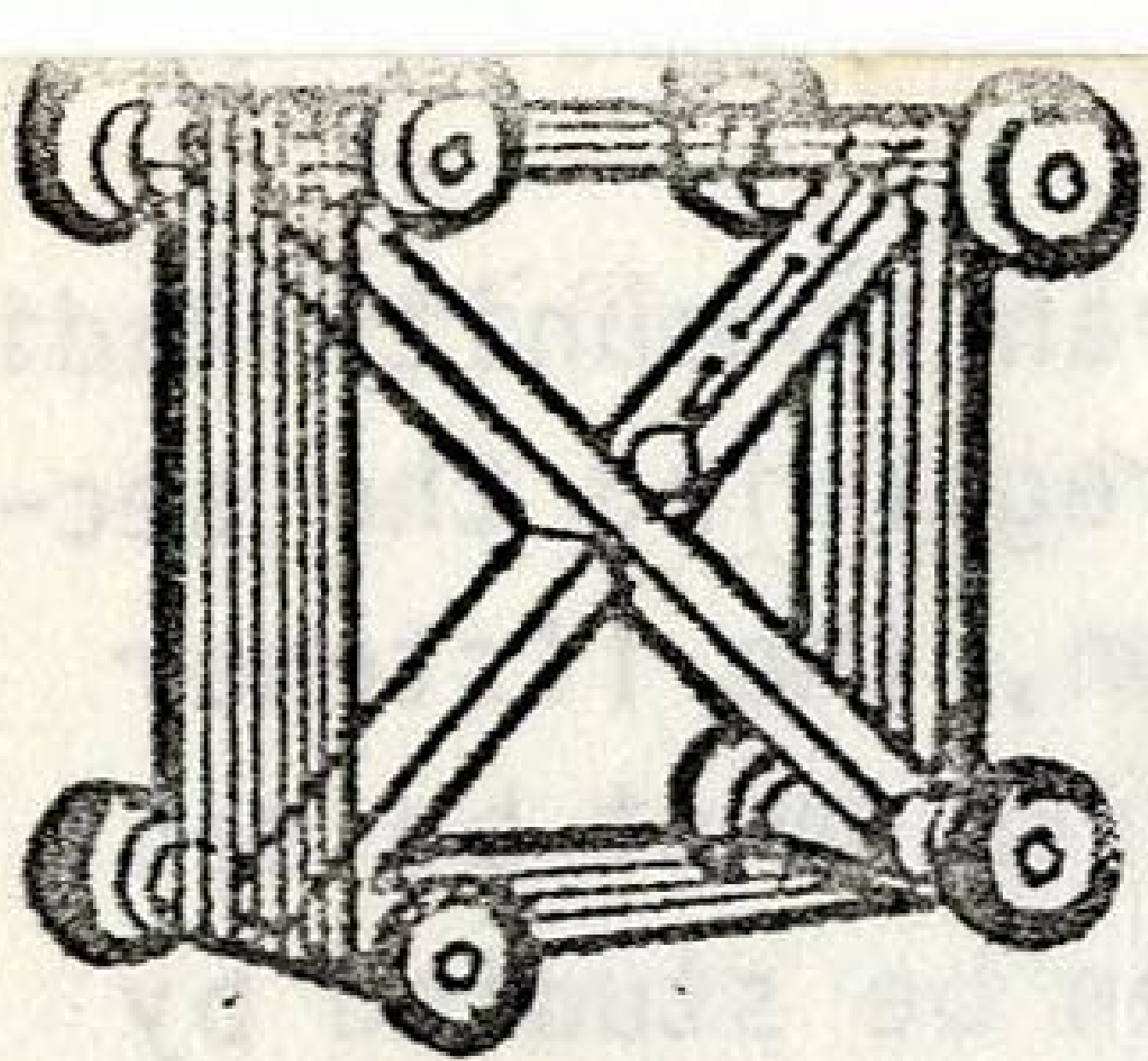
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## WEEKLY REPORT

P.O. BOX 539  
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No. 56 26th MAY 1985.

Bank Holiday Weekend, and a busy time on the air as usual, even short wave was good today, but all about that later. Merchandise....a further batch of Monitor 30 is due any day, so, if you are waiting, you should have your copy soon. Free Radio Round-Up, Issue 2, is now out and costs just 50p from us, the printing is greatly improved, and the contents are first class as usual, get yourselves a copy at once, you won't regret it. We have just received a number of copies of the poster, Veronica, on the beach at Schevingen, in black and white, they cost just £2.00 and are very good. This may be the last chance you have to buy one. Newspaper cuttings this week, rather a lot, but I have crammed them on to three B4 sheets. They feature the return of Laser mainly, plus a copy of their latest press release, a Radio Jackie press release, a couple of reports of land-based stations court cases, the Music Week piece on yet another new offshore pirate, yet another "Just Seventeen" article on Laser, this time the station's birthday, a couple of articles on licensed local radio and a piece from Ireland about RTE getting an injunction to silence WLS Music Radio in Galway. 30p should get all the lot, plus SAE of course, then you may cut out the ones you are not interested in. I did indeed forget last week, and nearly again this week. One year ago last Thursday 23rd May, a new radio station appeared on the airwaves from Dublin, on medium wave only, 738khz. very professional and very powerful, Radio Exidy with Tony Allan. Due to untold problems with running two powerful stations from one site, the thing only lasted for just over five hours, of which, apart from the beginning bit which featured only continuous music, we have it all on tape. The transmitter used was the 50kw one currently used now on Radio Nova, but on its arrival in Ireland, it had upset the Government and other stations, and played a major part in instigating the great raids of May 1983, and ended up being impounded by the Irish P & T, as it was then, even before it had been removed from its container it had travelled from the USA in. If anyone would like a free copy of 90 minutes of this very rare recording, send a blank tape, plus and SAE, or £1, plus an SAE if you have no tapes, and we will despatch a copy at once.

**NOVA.** Reference to the above short-lived station was made during the week by one of the presenters. Following the successful run of "Nova....playing all over.....now.ow.w.w.", a new jingle has been heard very frequently, "Nova, playing favourites from .....to.....", when two far off towns are mentioned, often one Irish, and one English. Several variations of this theme have also been noted.

The Nova "Funny Bubble" competition continues to build up to its crescendo on Thursday 6th June at Nova Park. The winner will drive away in the new Opel Corsa motor car.

The European Top Forty, heard each Sunday, formerly with Declan Meehan, now with Chris Cary, features Sybil Fennell also.

Dave Harvey has been noted once again, after a short break and it is expected that he will resume his morning show on Magic also. Aiden Cooney was noted on news over the weekend.

Finally at Nova, outside broadcasts have been the order of the day since yesterday. Programmes during the day have been coming from the Nutgrove Shopping Centre in Rathfarham, and will continue to do so until next Saturday, including the late night shopping night on Thursday. Colm Hayes and Greg Gaughran were noted Saturday, and Tony McKenzie and Greg Gaughran are expected to be heard during the week. A few initial problems were noted at the commencement of the O.B.'s, mainly with the news bulletins, which come from elsewhere. (Leeson Street).

For the benefit of people on holiday in this area, the following Nova Roadshow dates are now at hand.....Pontins at Prestatyn on 6th June, Southport on 20th June, Blackpool on 1st August and Morecambe on 15th August. The Majestic at Caernarvon on 1st June and the Beach Hotel in Anglesey on 21st August. Presenters.....Trevor James, but Tony McKenzie, Peter Madison and Bob Gallico have also been mentioned.

### OTHER IRISH STATION NEWS.

RTE won a high court injunction last Monday, against Don Stevens and Keith York of WLS Music Radio in Galway, which prevented them from continuing to interfere with RTE's television transmissions. WLS had already moved the offending transmitter from 104 to 101 mhz., on hearing of the interference, but the injunction went ahead. I am assuming WLS are still on the air. I have no reason to think differently despite the two ops being in Tel Aviv, on VOP.



Our reporter in Cavan, Sean Brady, sends the following news.....Cavan Community Radio, ....On Thursday 16th May, the station began broadcasting a promotional tape regarding the second holiday give-away, which is a trip for two to Lourdes. In this competition, the listener must nominate a person who they think deserves to go to Lourdes. All nominations must be sent to the station head-quarters in Main Street, Cavan. These nominations will then be studied by four community workers from within the CCR listening area, who will select who they think deserves the prize. The winner will be able to take a companion along also.

Breffni Radio.....On Tuesday 14th May, between 8.30 and 9.30pm., the station went off the air, on 1170khz., but continued on FM only. An apology was made for this and a transmitter fault was blamed. The Fm service leaves a little to be desired with harmonics either side of the 99mhz signal (although still announcing as 98.75mhz). It makes for dreadful listening.

As reported previously, transmissions for the station have commenced from Longford town on around 290metres, but as yet, this has to be received here.

Erneside Radio....This station continues to experience problem-free transmissions and it appears that their advertising, especially from Northern Ireland is on the increase. The station does not actually broadcast at present from Belturbet town itself, but from a cottage some miles outside. However, it is understood that the station intend to move into studios at the Amusement Centre there, as soon as renovations have been completed. The station is sounding very professional and the presenters are settling into regular slots. A comprehensive programme schedule will follow shortly.

Our thanks once again to Sean for his report.

The station calling itself KISS FM on 1449khz., from Dublin recently, seems to be missing, as was ICBS over the weekend.

Colleagues, Dave Small and Mike Davies are currently over in Ireland and we expect a full report on their return, hopefully in time for printing in the next WR. In addition, Paul Graham is in Cork, so we could have some up to date info on stations past and present very soon indeed. We hope to learn what happened to Big 'L' in Limerick which disappeared without trace a few weeks ago, more about Big 'K' in Tralee, plus others.

Finally in Ireland, a new transmitter sprang into life on Saturday just past, on 1494khz. It turned out to be yet another Boyneside Radio relay, and a good one again, so they now have 1233, 1260, 1305, 1332 and this one. After initial relaying of the main station, a Radio Greenhills was noted c/o Boyneside, on 200m., 1494khz., and 99mhz FM., broadcasting for the Voice of Creative Youth Festival of Our Ladies College Greenhills from 26th till 31st May. telephone number 041 32809. I think Greenhills is close to Drogheda.

#### THE VOICE OF PEACE.

No news, apart from a message from Abie telling us he still wants a good transmitter engineer, and is prepared to pay good money, so if you know anyone, give us a call.

#### CAROLINE.

Jay Jackson has not been heard at all this week, so presumably came off last weekend. Fiona was noted doing news bulletins over the weekend. The signal on 963khz., has not been at all good here, either by day or night, nor even in Devon, according to Albert E. Ford our late night logger, although the 576khz., signal is very good here, and even up till mid-nite some nights. John Lewis was missing from his morning show on Friday, no doubt visiting neighbours who were celebrating their first birthday. Nick Richards was heard doing his regular spot on Saturday and Sunday.

#### LASER.

The station celebrated their first birthday on Friday. They began at 5.00am., with the same opening announcement of one year ago, and continued with one or two air-checks from the same day. A happy birthday message from Linda McCartney was heard throughout the day. They claimed to be roasting a pig on "Splinter Beach" and several stars were allegedly on board. Charlie Wolfe kept referring to Brook Shields. An advert was also heard for the "Hotel Ross Revenge" boasting single and double cabins and a mega-size swimming pool! The press of late has been full of nothing but Laser, many articles appearing following their return to the air-waves after the latest aerial disaster. Other articles mention the Laser 1st birthday and one mentions a new chart countdown, although two syndicated shows are thought to be starting soon.

Finally before we leave the ships, a report of yet another one has appeared in the respectable magazine "Music Week". It says the station will be a country and western one, and will be called "Tennessee Sound". It is hoped to start broadcasting in June sometime.



## LAND-BASED STATIONS.

MANCHESTER. Nothing more has been heard of Carousel Radio following last weekend's test transmissions. RNI 105 was raided by members of the DTI on Tuesday last in the Bury area. It was reported that the DTI people were not accompanied by any Police at all. They removed all the broadcasting gear and auxiliary items and issued receipts for same. It is thought that the DTI, despite these new powers, still needed Police presence at a raid, in order to execute the search warrant. We await further reports.

Southside Radio had their court case in the week, and the operators were fined £200 and £500 each plus small costs and had gear reputed to be worth £3500, confiscated.

LIVERPOOL. A court case in this town involving Storeton Community Radio, saw the operators fined £50, £25 and £25, and gear worth (allegedly) £2000 confiscated. It was alleged at the case that the station caused interference on the shipping frequencies. Reports of receiving such signals had been brought to our attention.

Meanwhile, four stations were noted on the air over the weekend from this town, they were Storeton Community Radio on 1026kHz., Central Radio on 1404kHz., Radio Merseywaves on 1242kHz., and by far the best and clearest heard here, were KISS FM on 102.85mhz FM.

THE MIDLANDS AREA. Sounds Alternative were noted on both Sunday and Monday (Bank Holiday) on 1179kHz., Another signal on 1242kHz., was noted here but very weakly. It could well have come from this area, but we will have to wait further reports on this one.

A - 103 from Stafford on 103.5mhz were on with test transmissions of late. American tapes were heard being played. Full programmes are expected to re-commence shortly, as are Radios WX from Stafford and WXFM from Penkridge.

Radio Star returned to the airwaves last Sunday on 103.8mhz FM, reports UK Radio in Wolverhampton. A Bedside Radio has been logged also in that area late on Saturday nights, on 94.2 mhz., FM. It is thought it could be from Birmingham.

Telford's Radio Mi Amigo hope to increase power very soon on 103mhz FM. The station broadcasts on most Sunday afternoons from 2pm until 6.00pm. UK Radio hope to link up with the above station and with Subway Sound, at Bank Holidays, in order to pool resources to provide better programmes of longer duration and over a greater area.

County Sound are still to be heard every two weeks on Sunday evenings from 6.00pm., till 11.00pm., on 94.4mhz.

Subway Sound can be heard in their own right on Sunday's between 2 and 4.00pm.

UK Radio can be heard each Sunday between 2 and 5.00pm on 103.5mhz FM.

PLYMOUTH. Sound City Radio from this city continues reports Albert E. Ford, on about 105.5 mhz FM each Sunday evening from about 7 till 11.00pm.

BELFAST. The court case for KISS FM in Craigavon was held recently. All involved were conditionally discharged, but had to forfeit all their gear.

AALST, BELGIUM. Radio Maeva in this town were raided recently reports Alan West, for exceeding the 100w mono limit for their transmissions. They were reputed to be transmitting 4000watts stereo. They were shut down by the Belgian RTT, but were noted back on the air next day. On further inspection by the RTT, it was found that the seals placed by the RTT had been broken and the equipment was back in use again. Owner Patrick Valain is understood to be languishing in gaol, awaiting trial.

## SHORT-WAVE STATIONS.

Amendments to last week's log from Podney R. Sixe in Cornwall and from Radiotelex magazine which arrived in time, before WR went to print.

Weekend Music Radio were logged by Radiotelex loggers on 6200 at 1142gmt.

Radio Scanwood was logged by RT on 6215kHz., at 0900 - 0950gmt., and again on 6271kHz., at 0830 - 0850gmt. Radio Valleri was logged by RT on 6870kHz., at 1048 - 1204gmt. UNID on 7335kHz., at 1115gmt. Radio Mirage Int., on 7350kHz., at 0830 - 0856gmt.

# APOLLO RADIO



SHORT WAVE LOG FOR Sunday 26th May 1985. Loggers.....Ourselves in Blackpool, Sandy Mountain, (Blackpool), Ken Baird(Ayr), Ian Biggar(Kilbirnie) and Glen Hocking(Cornwall).

6200khz.....RADIO R.I.D.ICULOUS, at 0858 and 1003gmt.

6200khz.....FALCON RADIO, at 0843, 0855 and 1028gmt.

6205khz.....RADIO DELMARE, at 0930gmt., MARIBU, at 1045gmt., and C.L.C.G., at 1133gmt.

6240khz.....RADIO ASH???? INT., at 1138gmt., in English and German.

6268khz.....CAPITOL RADIO, at 1111gmt.

6280khz.....WESTSIDE RADIO INT., at 1025 and 1036gmt.

6300khz.....WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO, at 0958 and 1022gmt.

6310khz.....REBEL RADIO, at 0943 and 1035gmt.

6310khz.....RADIO IRELAND, at 1221gmt.

6910khz.....RADIO DUBLIN, at 1014 and 1020gmt., also relaying World Music Radio at 0958gmt.

7315khz.....FUTURE WORLD RADIO, at 0806 and 0900gmt.

7350khz.....RADIO BRIGITTE, at 0825gmt.

7350khz.....RADIO NOORDERZON, at 1055gmt.

7425khz.....RADIO 101, at 0808 and 0850gmt.

Conditions were very much improved especially in Scotland, where the skip was very short. Here it was fairly good, particularly mid-morning around 1036gmt., but by 11.30gmt., everything had once again disappeared. We even heard Westside here for about twenty minutes. The best signal was, without question, Radio 101, who appear to have made a good move to 7425khz. It was nice to hear WMR on the air with a good signal and the conversation he had with fellow ops.

That is about it this week, sorry it is a bit shortish, but with the Bank Holiday, visitors and other things, time has been a short commodity, hopefully back to normal next week. One or two stickers and things to fill up, do remember to write to Falcon Radio at P.O. Box 99, Northampton, they are getting quite famous for all the great stickers they dish out.

