

MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE Week ending Sunday 4th September

Very skimpy information this week as I was away from the area for most of Saturday and part of Sunday.

MERSEYLAND ALTERNATIVE RADIO 1242kHz. Heard on Tuesday evening, playing tapes of previous day's broadcasts. Steve Bishop was heard to say that in spite of the antenna having been erected four weeks ago, it was pulled down three times on Bank Holiday Monday. This was during his 6pm-7pm show. Understand that they did actually go off the air a couple of times after this. From 10:47pm on Tuesday, he was "live" on the air with correct time and date checks. From this time, no station name was announced. He said that he would be on "for another 1/2 hour or so" but close-down was not noted.

STORETON COMMUNITY RADIO 1296kHz were also heard at tea-time, but signal was very weak, with more hum than modulation. Later they were buried by BBC WS. Also heard on Thursday and Friday evenings (8pm close-down on Friday) but DJs were completely unreadable. Next broadcast seems to be due on Monday 5th September.

RADIO JACKIE NORTH were heard on Saturday, on yet another new frequency of 976kHz but were not heard on 1395kHz. The station was not heard at all on Sunday

RNI 1413kHz were not heard again on Friday, and may have closed down.

RADIO ELEANOR 1413kHz. Were heard on Saturday, with Barry Cullen announcing an "extension" to 8pm. I understand that the station had some new presenters this week, but they were not heard. More news next week, I hope.

CENTRAL RADIO 1358kHz. Were on the air on both Saturday and Sunday. Holidays are still interfering with schedules, but they hope to be back to normal next weekend

LIVERPOOL PIRATE RADIO were reported to be on the air on Sunday, but were not heard.

STATION "M" INTERNATIONAL 1413kHz. Opened just before noon and closed down at 8:45pm. Roger DEE was missing from the line-up, but there was a "guest appearance" by DAVE WILSON between 12:45pm - 1:45pm. Phil James' show, with farmyard noises in the background and numerous references to "outside broadcasts" didn't go down very well in my book! Missed Tom Lodge's announcement about two other stations that had been heard.

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Sorry folks, but that's the lot for this week

Latest A strong signal was heard tonight ( from about 5:55pm to at least 7:30pm) on 1512kHz. testing with continuous music and no announcements.

Barrie

sorry for scribble - I'm up to my ears in club work, having taken over as Secretary. Am trying to get this month's bulletin together, but haven't been given any front covers, page headings, etc and will have to make my own - very time-consuming!

"Locals" have changed their mind about tomorrow's meeting being for "station personnel" only, so I may give them a look-in.

Not much news this week - Think station on 1512 kHz (SLAP BANG in the middle of BBC Manchester & IBA. R.CITY!!) might be PEANUT KENNY's new station, but it's nothin' like 8 1/2 kW (or even 500 W!).