

Quite an eventful week this week, with plenty of news of all types. Storeton Community Radio are announcing two more Listener's Nights-out. Both are to be held at Ma Baker's, in Conway Street, Birkenhead. The first is an "Under-18s" night out, to be run along the same lines as that held on 21st May, but for the moment, the date is not known. Their "Over-18s" night-out will take place on Mon. 18th June and is apparently to feature the same entertainments as laid on for the "Under-18s". In spite of this week's problems, Radio Elenore are still announcing that their night-out will still take place. The venue is the BRADFORD HOTEL, Tithebarn Street, Liverpool between 8pm and 1am on 6th July.

ABC RADIO 96.25MHz: 4, Glencairn Road, Old Swan. Liverpool L13 2AL

This station has not been heard again this week, and is beginning to look distinctly defunct. Plans are still supposed to be in hand for operation on Medium Wave, but there seem to be some problems in making any progress.

RADIO ELENORE 1170kHz: 16, Stockbridge Street, Anfield, Liverpool L5 6PB.

A strong carrier was heard on either 1170 or 1179kHz on Wednesday night, but the frequency was not checked. The station was not on the air on either Friday or Saturday. They were first noted at 10:45am on Sunday, playing continuous music until 11am, when Paul Rogers came on the air. He apologised for the station not being on the air over the past two days, saying that they had had a break-in on Thursday night when the transmitter and disco decks were stolen - nothing else, just the transmitting equipment!. The station is offering a £50 reward for information that leads to the recovery of the equipment. The transmitter is described as "racking" type, 19" wide x 12" deep and 12"-14" from front to back. It is a dark gray colour and has a main current indicator in the centre of the front panel and a modulation level meter lower down on the left-hand side. It contains 5-807 valves. The disco decks, which belonged to one of the Elenore DJs, are made by S.A.I. The 1179kHz crystal was also stolen, and I'm sure that the station would appreciate any reports of "tests" on this frequency. They have operated all day Sunday with continuous music, interspersed with "apologies for absence" and explanations of the situation by Paul Rogers. The stand-by transmitter being used is on 1170kHz, and signal strength has dropped from its usual S3½ to only S2. The station say that their schedule will be back to normal by next weekend, and apologised to Chris Taylor, a new DJ who was due on the air for the first time this weekend.

RADIO MERSEYWAVES 94.8MHz FM & 1197kHz: 23, Birnam Road, Poulton, Wallasey, Merseyside L44

At opening at 6pm on Sunday, Bert Williams announced that he has been 9AY Radio Elenore's engineer and that the stolen transmitter, which was also used for FMW's medium wave relay, belonged to him. The good news to come out of this mess is that he will be building a new MW transmitter almost at once, and that this new transmitter will be twice as powerful as the old one! I seem to have "missed-out" on the schedule this week, as a new voice has just been heard, but possibly only on a "jingle".

CENTRAL RADIO INTERNATIONAL 1323kHz: 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF

Please note that this station have now re-commenced using their previous mailing address. They were heard briefly on Thursday night with Jim Browne announcing "trade test" transmissions. They were putting out full programming on Saturday, and heard were 9am(?) - 11am Ken Wolfe; 11am - 1pm Mark Evans; 1pm - 3pm Jim Browne; 3pm - 5pm Jeff Stone; 5pm - 7pm Ian Phillips. From the sign-off announcement it seems that they may have started later than intended. The station seemed to have had a few problems on Sunday, and went off the air while I was speaking to Jim Browne on the phone. So far as I can tell, they were not on the air after about 1:30pm. Heard earlier were 10am - Noon Jim Browne; Noon - 1:30pm Mark Evans. News from the station during the morning was that the station would not be broadcasting their regular programming on Monday 4th June, although they would be doing some more "test" transmissions. Reason for not being back on the air for the Bank Holiday weekend, as planned, was that they dropped the transmitter and smashed all the valves!

CHANNEL FIVE 1242kHz: 23, Rice Hey Road, Egremont, Wallasey, Merseyside L44 6DX.

On Saturday they signed-on at 2:18pm, with Pete Williams complaining of more sabotage to the aerial. The schedule was re-shuffled slightly, to give Pete Williams a little "air-time". Heard were:- 2:18pm - 3:45pm Pete Williams; 3:45pm - 6pm Steve West; 6pm - 8pm Dave Ernst; 8pm - 10pm Dave Graham; 10pm - Midnight Frank Xerox; Midnight - 1am Frank Xerox/Pete Williams; 1am onwards Steve West. On Sunday they signed-on at about 1pm, again complaining about aerial sabotage. Heard were 1pm - 3pm Pete Williams; 3pm - 6:30pm Steve West; 6:30pm - 10pm Dave Graham; From 10pm, the schedule is as for Saturday

When checking the station at about 4pm on Sunday, it seems from Steve West's announcement



that the station had just come back on the air again, after having their antenna pulled down for the third time in one weekend. "Davo" was told to expect a solicitor's letter through the week, as the station intended to sue him for damage and theft of aerial wire. He was also warned that further attempts to pull the aerial down would be met with force. Up to midnight, the station seems to have operated normally

RADIO ATLANTIS 936kHz: 150 Rake Lane, Wallasey, Merseyside L44 1UU.

On Tuesday, Steve Bishop pulled the "sickest" stunt yet. All day, the station were announcing that Rick Dane had gone to hospital for "tests", then between 5pm and 6pm he did a "tribute to Rick Dane". The latter arrived in the studio at 9pm threatening to "kill" the "two idiots" and saying that he had never been so embarrassed in his life. He was still apologising for the stunt on Wednesday. Operation through the week seems to have been OK, but not so at the weekend. The station were not found until 12:30pm on Saturday, and heard were 12:30pm-3pm Steve Bishop; 3pm-6pm Rick Dane; 6pm-9pm Steve Tyler. When checked at 10pm they were not found, although Steve Tyler announced on Sunday that he had done an extended show. Heard on Sunday were;- 11am-1pm Neil Frazer; 1pm-4pm Steve Bishop; 4pm-7pm Rick Dane; 7pm-9pm Steve Tyler; 9pm-10pm Rick Dane; 10pm onwards Steve Bishop, and the station had gone from the air when checked shortly after mid-night. Neil Frazer seems to be a "Sundays-only" DJ, and Phil Clarke is possibly on holiday, as he has not been heard this week, the hours between 10pm and midnight being split between Steve Bishop and Rick Dane.

STORETON COMMUNITY RADIO 1026kHz: 74, Big Meadow Road, Woodchurch Estate, Birkenhead,

This station seem to have been having a few staff Merseyside L49 9AQ. shortages due to illness. Early in the week it was announced that Edward Bear was ill and would be off the air, Little Di has done her shows, but with hardly any voice, Paul Woods has a heavy cold, and on Saturday Stevie Sounds apologised for not being on the air on Friday, as he spent the whole day at the hospital. Schedule changes have been numerous, and I have not been able to keep up with them, although the station has largely been able to adhere to its schedule during the evening. There are more changes being announced for next week. On Sunday 10th June, SCR are playing a charity football match against the RED LION, at Parkgate playing field, near to the Old Quay pub. All proceeds will go to the Arrowe Park Sick Childrens Holiday fund, and the match will be kicked-off by "MOOEY" (Ray Kingsley) of Channel 4 TV's series SCULLY, who will also be interviewed in Paul Woods' afternoon show on Tuesday 5th June. The "Under-18s" night out will take place on Monday 11th June. Over the weekend, Phil Davies did another of his marathon broadcasts - 1am on Sunday morning through to noon on Sunday.

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Have not been heard again this weekend.

PS. Kick-off for SCR's charity football match is 3pm!