MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE Week ending Sunday 2nd March 1986

The FM stations currently reported to be operating on Merseyside are:-
Radio Julie 104·8; WFM 90·3; TFM 103·8; Concept Radio 104·4; Mersey FM 103·8; Radio Veronica 104·6; Atlantis FM 103·9; Commodore Radio 104·3; Radio Active 104·7, but the schedules seem to be irregular and some have not been heard at all from here.

RADIO MERSEY WAVES 1242kHz: 9, Meadfoot Road, Moreton, Wirral, Merseyside L46 7UW

They opened at 8am Monday and heard were:- 8am-11am Dave Collins; 11am-1pm Barry Noble; 1pm-3pm DJC; 3pm-5pm Mark Newman (in for Alan Bates); 5pm-7pm Peter Thomas; 7pm-9pm Mark Burgess; 9pm-Midnight Tara; Midnight-1am KtC and 1am-2am Mark Newman. On Friday they weren't noted till 5pm. Mark Newman said that they had opened at 8am but had been broadcasting without an aerial. By the time an aerial was erected, it was 4pm, when they came on the air properly. Heard were: 5pm-7pm KtC; 7pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Mark Newman and Midnight-1am KtC. The Saturday schedule seems to have gone off as planned with 8am-10am Dave Collins; 10am-Noon Mark Wright; Noon-2pm DJC; 2pm-4pm KtC & Paul Woods; 6pm-8pm Tara; 8pm-10pm Martin Miller; 10pm-Midnight close-down Mark Newman. On Sunday, heard were:- 9am-11am Mark Burgess; 11am-1pm Wayne Scott; 1pm-3pm Paul Jay; 3pm-5pm Burt Williams; 5pm-7pm KtC; 7pm-10pm Peter Thomas; 10pm-Midnight Mark Newman. The schedule beyond midnight wasn't noted, but was scheduled as Midnight-1am KtC and 1am-2am Mad Mike

WFM 90·3MHz stereo: 3, Wareing Avenue, Birkenhead, Merseyside L42 6QH
This station opened at 10pm on Tuesday with the Kevin Palmer show, but a short time later modulation was intermittant and Kevin seemed to have spent quite some time talking to himself. After a few adjustments the station seemed to be back to normal by 10:39pm. The later schedule wasn't noted but is believed to have been 11pm-Midnight Keith and Midnight-1am Mike. On Wednesday night they were again on the air at 10pm with the Steve Davies show but at 10:20pm the signal was carrier only with no modulation. At later checks they were not found and it isn't known whether they continued broadcasting or not.

CONCEPT RADIO 104·4MHz: 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF.

A very strong carrier was noted on or near to 104·4MHz at 10:25pm on Tuesday, but this had gone by 10:30pm. They were noted shortly before 9pm on Wednesday with the end of the Tom Webb show. This was followed 9pm-10pm with Phil Davies and Jim Lowe closing down the "test transmission" at 10pm. They opened at 10am on Sunday for a full day's programming involving some of the DJs from Central Radio. Heard were:- 10am-Noon Tom Webb; Noon-2pm Jim Browne; 2pm-4pm Phil Davies; 4pm-6pm Charles Browne; 6pm-9pm Tom Webb; 9pm-Midnight Jim Lowe. The remainder of the schedule was announced as the Webb and Lowe show from Midnight-1am but by 12:11pm Tom Webb still hadn't returned from the phone box.

RADIO JULIE 104·8MHz

This station was first noted at 5:30pm on Sunday, but the DJs name wasn't noted. They say that they don't have a mailing address at the moment and are looking for someone who can provide them with one. They held a phone-in between 6pm and 6:30pm, and the same DJ was still on the air at about 6:45pm. When checked at 7:58pm they appear to have closed down and weren't found.

Jim Browne on Concept Radio announced that Radio Active were being heard in North Liverpool on Sunday morning, but they couldn't be heard here. Radio Active is run by Brian Grant, an ex-Central DJ, who says that he hopes to shortly be operating on 1611kHz as well as FM.