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MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE    Week ending Sunday 15th June 1986

The latest gimmick to hit the local pirate scene is Radio Julie's "Outside Broadcast" facility. Unfortunately this has led to a lot of silliness and apparently little effort to put out serious programming. The experiment seems to still be somewhat in the "hit or miss" stage, so hopefully things will improve with time.

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

Heard during the week were:+

Monday - 8am-11am Peter Thomas; 11am-1pm Barry Noble; 1pm-3pm DJC; 3pm-5pm Alan Bates; 5pm-7pm Jeff Starr; 7pm-9pm KtC; 9pm-11pm Mark Burgess; 11pm-Midnight Mark Newman; Midnight-1am KtC

Friday - 9am-11am Paul James; 11am-1pm DJC; 1pm-3pm Jeff Starr; 3pm-5pm Paul Woods; 5pm-7pm KtC; 7pm-9pm Edward Bear; 9pm-10pm Mark Newman; 10pm-Midnight Peter Thomas; Midnight-1am KtC

Saturday - 10:40am-Noon Mark Wright; Noon-2pm Jeff Starr(in for Barry Noble); 2pm-4pm DJC; 4pm-6pm Paul Woods & KtC; 6pm-8pm Tara; 8pm-10pm Desa; 10pm-Midnight Mark Newman

Sunday - 10:15am-11am Mark Burgess; 11am-1pm Wayne Scott; 1pm-3pm Paul Jay; 3pm-5pm Desa; 5pm-7pm Tony Coltrane; 7pm-10pm Peter Thomas; 10pm-Midnight Mark Newman; Midnight-1am KtC; 1am-3am Paul Woods.

Station announcements suggest that Mark Newman is no longer the Manager. They were late on air on both Saturday and Sunday, but were heard on Sunday before 10:15am, but only as severely distorted splatter over BBC R-3.

CENTRAL FM 103.8MHz: 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF.

On Wednesday, an intermittent signal was noted on 103.8MHz. from approximately 9:10pm. The DJ was Dave Ross, but no station ID was noted. At 9:30pm they went off the air "for five minutes" but weren't noted again. At Midnight, the frequency carried splatter and the station were thought to have shifted frequency, but on re-tuning it was found that Slag-Off International had opened up on 103.6MHz. The signal was again noted on Thursday at 9pm, with Dave Ross in the chair and ID'ing the station as Central FM. He was followed 10pm-11pm close-down by Jeff Thompson, who said that they would be doing a full schedule on Sunday

Sunday - 7:30am-8am continuous music; 8am-10am Charles Browne; 10am-Noon Jim Browne; Noon-2pm Tom Webb; 2pm-4pm Phil Davies; 4pm-6pm Jim Lowe; 6pm-8pm Dave Ross(in for Joe Ball); 8pm-10pm Dave Ross; 10pm-Midnight Jeff Thompson.

The signal in Liscard is strong and just readable on a pocket-portable, but speech modulation wasn't too good for most of the day. The station was suffering complete break-through from a ground/air control and they say that during the afternoon they moved to 104.0MHz to avoid this, but the frequency shift wasn't noted here.

RADIO JULIE 104.8MHz; 15 Pitch Close, The Crofters, Greasby, Wirral, Merseyside L49 2RR

This station were noted from approximately 9pm on Friday evening, when an "outside broadcast" by Dave Collins was in progress. These outside broadcasts are currently an excuse for all the DJs to be "involved" all at once and tend to sound "silly" rather than entertaining. By 10pm they settled down to normal studio-type programming, and heard was 10pm-midnight close-down: Joe Williams. They were noted again from about 4pm on Saturday with the inevitable outside broadcast "from Moreton beach". Normal programming began at 5pm.

Saturday - 5pm-6pm Ray Jackson; 6pm-8pm Andy Davies(?); 8pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Joe Davies; Not noted after midnight.

Sunday - 5:05pm onward intermittent music and ID jingles; 7:30pm-8pm continuous music; 8pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Joe Williams; Midnight-2am(?) Wayne George(?); Not checked after 12:30am

It seems that the station attempted an outside broadcast (via CB?) earlier in the day, from Anglesea, but "breakers" on the frequency prevented this. It would be a pity if the station allowed these outside broadcasts to get out of hand as they have some quite good presenters when running normal programming.

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

This station was noted from about 9pm on Friday night, but with most of the DJs on air at the same time, with the inevitable consequences. They were announcing a phone-in, but record requests were heard later. The schedule was announced as 10pm-11pm Dave Jackson and 11pm-Midnight or so, Dan Molby (sorry, that should have been the other way round) but when checked at 11:58pm, the station had already closed down. They were back on the air

