

MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE

Week ending Sunday 29th June 1986

There are few stations operating in this area at the moment, and those that are on the air are operating under difficulties of one sort or another.

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

This station was noted from 9:16pm on Thursday with all DJs in the studio at the same time, during what was supposed to be the DAVE JACKSON Show. A little later, Dan Molby was dispatched off to the phone box. He was back to do his own show by 10pm, but said that "as usual", they had a zero response to their phone-in and the station closed down at 10:20pm. The signal at my location is weak, but readable, and there is no way that I will listen for any length of time to a station who describe how Dan Molby called at the fish and chip shop on his way back from the phone box, or how intently one of the DJs was reading the newspaper that the meal had been wrapped in. Judging by the telephone response, others also feel the same way. The station was not heard again this weekend.

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

This station was noted at 1:48pm on Friday, after apparently opening at 1pm and operating under considerable difficulty. Heard were:- 1:48pm-3pm Jeff Starr; 3pm-5pm Paul Woods; 5pm-7pm KtC. Edward Bear never turned up for his 7pm-9pm show and KtC was unable to stay too late, so, from 7:30pm or so, they featured continuous music. At 9pm, KtC said that he and Mark Newman had to go out, and that continuous music would be featured for another two hours. He also said that many of the station's DJs "worked" on Friday and Saturday night and that "demo tapes" were requested from "would be" DJs who were willing to operate in a stand-by capacity. They were still playing continuous music when last checked at 12:30am. They were back on the air from approximately 9:30am on Saturday, but featured continuous music till 11:50am, when Paul James turned up 10 minutes early for his show. Paul was standing-in for Barry Noble, and said that Mark Wright had failed to turn up for the 10am-Noon slot. Heard were:- 9:30am-11:50am Continuous music; 11:50-2pm Paul James; 2pm-4pm DJC; 4pm-6pm KtC and Paul Woods; 6pm-??pm Desa. The latter started his show at 6pm, but when checked later, the station had gone from the air. It was back by 6:35pm with Desa saying he was having a lot of technical problems and asking KtC to report to the studio. At 7:15pm, Desa said he had just received a very important phone call and that he had to finish his programme there and then. After a collection of jingles and a very old tape of a KtC and Paul Woods Show, the station closed down at 8:06pm and didn't reappear on the air for the rest of the weekend.

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

This station was noted on Friday night from 9pm and appear to be operating a slightly different schedule than that announced last weekend. No "outside broadcasts" have been noted although there is still a certain amount of "silliness" broadcast, specially during the Dave Collins and Joe Williams shows, and more especially when they are in the studio at the same time. At other times, the standard of DJing is quite high with station putting out a very strong signal. The schedule noted this week was:-

FRIDAY 9pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Joe Williams; Midnight-2am Tony West

SATURDAY 3pm-5pm Ray Jackson; 5pm-7pm Wayne George; 7pm-8pm Andy Davies; 8pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Joe Williams; Midnight-2am Tony West.

SUNDAY 3pm-5pm Dave Moore; 5pm-7pm Wayne George; 7pm-8pm Andy Davies; 8pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-?? Joe Williams.

On Sunday, Joe Williams started his show at 10pm and was heard at regular checks, but had gone from the air by 11:10pm.

ANFIELD COMMUNITY RADIO 1386kHz: 111 Pinehurst Avenue, Anfield, Liverpool L4 7UG.

This station was heard with an extremely weak signal from 12:20pm on Sunday, when the Mark Evans show was in progress. Reception was difficult when Jim Browne was explaining why Central Radio weren't on the air. I understood him to say that when they turned up at the location, someone had broken-in, sabotaged the MW transmitter and stolen some of the other equipment. The station are now looking for a new location. Some mention was also made of a new transmitter and the opening of a brand new Central Radio. Both Jim Browne and Jim Lowe said a few words on ACR during the 12:20pm-12:50pm period. The station was not audible outside the Liscard area, and by the time I arrived back here, at approximately 5:20pm, the station couldn't be found.

CONCEPT RADIO 104.4MHz: 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF

The station opened at 7pm, announcing 7pm-9:30pm Tom Webb; 9:30pm-Midnight Jim Lowe and

