MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE Week ending Sunday 20th July 1986

All day Saturday, Manx Radio on 1368kHz were suffering severe interference, possibly from a local free radio station, but it proved impossible to separate out the other station with the gear available at this location.

RADIO MERSEY WAVES 1242kHz: 9, Meadfoot Road, Moreton, Wirral, Merseyside L44 1AU.
The station opened at 9am on Friday, but had gone from the air at 10:40am. Later reports said that the aerial had come down. Although the carrier was back on the air by 8:30am on Saturday, it wasn't modulated till 11am. The schedule noted has been:-

Monday 9am-11am Peter Thomas; 11am-1pm Barry Noble; 1pm-3pm DJC; 3pm-5pm Paul James; 5pm-7pm Jeff Starr; 7pm-9pm KtC; 9pm-11pm Mark Newman; 11pm-1am c/d Peter Thomas

Friday 9am-10:30am Paul James and father.

Saturday 11am-Noon Continuous music; Noon-2pm Desa; 2pm-4pm Peter Thomas(in for DJC); 4pm-6pm KtC & Paul Woods; 6pm-8pm Tara; 8pm-10pm Desa(old tape); 10pm-Midnight close-down Mark Newman

Sunday 9am-11am Peter Thomas; 11am-1pm Wayne Scott; 1pm-3pm Paul Jay; 3pm-5pm Paul Woods; 5pm-7pm Jeff Starr; 7pm-9pm DON(a new DJ); 9pm-Midnight Mark Newman; Midnight-1am KtC; 1am-3am Paul Woods.

RADIO JULIE 104·8?? 15, Pitch Close, Greasby, Wirral, Merseyside L49 2RR.

This station have also had a few problems. They mentioned a few times that they were operating from a new studio so things possibly weren't ready on time. Station announcements suggest that they opened at 3pm on Friday, but the signal wasn't found at 3:50pm in Liverpool but was noted in Liscard by 4:50pm. All weekend the signal has been drifting between 104·8 and 105·1 MHz, but has generally hovered around the 105·0MHz mark. The schedule noted or announced has been:-

Friday 4:50pm-5pm Tom, Jim & Karl; 5pm-7pm Dave Moore; 7pm-8pm Andy Davies; 8pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Joe Williams; Midnight-2am Tony West; 2am-4am Wayne George

Saturday 11am-1pm Dave Moore; 1pm-3pm Tony Coltrane; 3pm-5pm Ray Jackson; 5pm-7pm Phil Smith; 7pm-8pm Andy Davies; 8pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Joe Williams; Midnight-2am Tony West; 2am-4am Wayne George.

Sunday 11am-1pm Tom Webb; 1pm-3pm Jim Lowe; 3pm-5pm Dave Moore; 5pm-7pm Phil Smith; 7pm-8pm Andy Davies; 8pm-10pm Dave Collins; 10pm-Midnight Joe Williams; Midnight-2am Tony West; 2am-4am Wayne George.

RADIO VERONICA 104·7MHz: 81, Lark Lane, Liverpool L17 8UP.

This station was not found on Friday, but the schedule for that day still isn't known. The "drifting" of Radio Julie has, however, allowed a lot more of Radio Veronica to get through. Heard have been:-

Saturday 2pm-3pm Adrian Cooke; 3pm-4pm Jeff King; 4pm-5:08pm close-down Neil Frazer

Sunday 4pm-5pm Continuous music; 5pm-6pm Caroline 558 tape; 6pm-7pm Adrian Cooke; 7pm-10:04pm close-down Neil Frazer (including tape of WFRL's Tender Trip programme)

UNIDENTIFIED 105·8 or 105·9 MHz

From 9pm on Sunday night a station was noted playing continuous music on 105·8-105·9 MHz. It closed down without identification at 9:45pm. The station is believed to have been K-Sound Radio, who announce 105·2 MHz. A few weeks ago, Tom Webb said that both South Wirral Radio and K-Sound operate on 105·9 MHz . The signal strength is very low for both stations who possibly bought the "flea-power" DIY FM transmitter kits that are reputed to be on sale at a certain shop in Birkenhead.

Apart from Radio Veronica, there seems to be very little activity from the Liverpool area with no other stations currently being noted.