MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE Week ending Sunday 28th September 1986

The good news this week is that Radio Mersey Waves have returned to the air, so, over the past two weeks, Wirral's "Big Two" are back in business.

RADIO JULIE 104·8MHz: 2, Fairbeech Court, Ford Estate, Birkenhead, Merseyside L43 7SZ
Since this station returned to the air following the recent DTI raid, the DJs recruited from Concept Radio and Radio Commodore have not been heard on it. The former crew of Storeton Community Radio have returned to the latter station and with Dave Collins now returning to Radio Mersey Waves it is difficult to visualise Radio Julie as being more than a midweek station with its original three DJs in the near future. They were noted from 9:27pm on Wednesday, but sign-on time was probably 8pm. They were also noted very briefly on Sunday. Details are:
Wednesday: 8pm(?) Dave Collins; 10pm Andy Davies
Sunday: 9:10pm Sign-on Phil Smith; 9:25pm Sudden off(not found again later)

RADIO VERONICA 104·7MHz: 81, Lark Lane, Liverpool L17 8UP
Equipment problems made it impossible to listen to this station for any length of time and all that can be said is that they seemed to be on the air from 7pm. They were still on the air at subsequent "checks" up to about 11pm. Reception on Saturday was better, but when checked at 4:25pm. the station wasn't found. They weren't noted going off the air, and it isn't known whether they had problems with the equipment. Heard were:-
Saturday: 2pm Adrian Cooke; 3pm Jeff King
Sunday: 4pm Neil Frazer; 5pm Offshore Tapes; 6pm Bruce Purdy(repeat of programmes done previously for this station); 8pm Caroline Story(up to the sinking of Mi Amigo); 7pm Steve Harper; 9pm ???(DJ's name not heard); 10pm Neil Frazer
Sorry about the above being out of order!

STORETON COMMUNITY RADIO: 1026kHz: 91, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead, Merseyside L49 7NE
This station have been off the air for so long that on Saturday it was completely forgotten that that they had returned the previous weekend and the frequency wasn't checked till 12:40pm. On Sunday, although the following DJ said that Kenny Gee had been on the air since 11am, the station was showing a blank carrier till 1:05pm at the earliest. In fact, programming wasn't noted here till 2:43pm. Noted have been:-
Saturday: 12:40pm John Snifff; 3pm Les Martin; 5pm Uncle Ern; 7pm Joe Williams; 9pm Mike Phillips; 11pm Gaz; 1am(?) Close-down.
Sunday: 2:43pm Kenny Gee; 3pm Dave Coley; 5pm Brian "C"; 7pm Larry James; 9pm Uncle Ern; 11pm ??? Martin "C" ???. Close-down time not noted

ANFIELD COMMUNITY RADIO 1431kHz: 111, Pinehurst Avenue, Anfield, Liverpool L4 7UG
On Sunday, Jim Browne and Mark Evans did a short "documentary" on what it is like when a station gets raided by the DTI. Mark Evans said he expected a raid by the DTI soon, and closed down early. Heard were:
Sunday: 10am Dave Smith; Noon Jim Browne; 2pm Mark Evans; 4:15pm close-down.

RADIO MERSEY WAVES 1242kHz: 9, Meadfoot Road, Moreton, Wirral, Merseyside L46 7UW.
This station, which had not been heard for six or seven weeks, were noted from 11:20am on Sunday. Sign-on announced was 8am, with the following line-up:-
Sunday: 8am Dave Collins; 11am Wayne Scott; 1pm Paul Jay; 3pm DJC; 6pm Dave Benitez(?); 8pm Don Juan; 10pm Tony Hollis; Midnight Tony Hollis/Dave Collins; 12:36am close-down

The schedule for Storeton Community Radio seems to be Saturday and Sunday only, but it isn't known whether Mersey Waves are back to their former Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon schedule.