

MERSEYSIDE FREE RADIO SCENE

Week ending Sunday 29th March 1987

This weekend has seen the return of Concept Radio for a "test transmission" in preparation for their re-opening in a couple of weeks time. They also believe that many of the other Merseyside stations will make a special effort to be on the air at Easter.

RADIO JULIE 104.8MHz FM(stereo): 112, Greenwood Road, Woodchurch, Wirral, M'side L49 - Note the new mailing address for this station, whose full schedule <sup>Mon</sup> SHU hasn't been noted, but is believed to have been 6am Saturday to 8am<sup>A</sup> continuously. Heard, or announced, have been:-

Sat: 6am(?) Louise Thompson; 8am Paul Western; 10am Bob-The Lone Ranger; Noon Larry James; 2pm Neil Bishop; 4pm Steve Mason; 6pm Mark Ross; 8pm Andy Sloane; 10pm Phil Smith; Midnight Paula "P"(??); 2am Andy Davies; 4am ???; 6am Mark Ross;  
Sun: 8am Louise Thompson(?); 10am Andy Rogers; Noon Kenny Gee; 2pm Feona Beswick; 4pm Joe Williams; 6pm Louise(for Coley); 6:30pm Mark Ross(for Coley); 7pm Phil Smith(for Coley); 8pm Phil Smith; 10pm Carl "W"; Midnight Paula "P"; 2am Andy Davies; 4am "Invisible Man"; 6am Louise Thompson; 8am close down.

There are rumours that this station may be due to extend their hours even further in the near future.

CONCEPT RADIO 104.3MHz: No current mailing address.

Thanks to a tip-off from Jim Lowe, this station was noted from 10:30pm on Sunday, after apparently signing on at 10pm. Noted were:-

Sun: 10pm(?) Jim Lowe; 11pm Tom Webb; Midnight Webb & Lowe Show; 12:15am c/down  
The broadcast was announced as a "test transmission which will be repeated next weekend, when a new mailing address will probably also be announced. They say that they will be re-opening with regular broadcasts in a couple of weeks time.

LIVERPOOL PIRATE RADIO 1404kHz: 30, Elkstone Road, Norris Green, Liverpool L11 2TD. This station was not found at 10:10am on Saturday, but were already on the air when checked at 11:25am. Phil Davies was announcing a "test transmission" and the station wasn't found at 1:25pm. The transmission period appears to have been 11am-1pm, with Phil as the only DJ. On Sunday, the station was noted from 9:50am, after apparently signing-on at 9:30am. Heard were:-

Sun: 9:30am(?) Phil Davies; 1pm Paul Jones; 3pm Phil Davies; 4:30pm close down.

Although the signal was extremely weak for most of the day, by 3:45pm it was being picked up by the smallest of pocket-portables sitting on the kitchen table. In fact, reception was probably at its best at the time that they closed down!!

RADIO MERSEYLAND 1395/1422kHz: 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF. This station was noted from 11:25am on Saturday on 1395kHz with a collection of "Merry Christmas" and "New Year" jingles from Radio Caroline(?). At 11:34am, Mark Evans put out a message to Jim Browne to the effect that on Sunday they would be operating on 1422kHz. Heard Sunday, on 1422kHz were:-

Sun: 9am(?) Mark Evans; Noon Jim Browne; 2pm Dave Starr; 4pm Rock-steady Eddie; 6pm close-down by Mark Evans.

The frequency of 1422kHz suffers a lot of background noise in Liscard due to the BBC Merseyside signal on 1485Khz in such close proximity. The German station with 1.2MW from Heusweiler surprisingly caused little interference till 6pm, just before the station closed down.

RADIO MERSEY WAVES 1242kHz: 9, Meadfoot Road, Moreton, Wirral, Merseyside L46 7UW This station was on the air on Tuesday to give the utmost publicity to their "Under-18s" Night-out on that night. Noted have been:-

Mon: 8am Dave Collins; 10:15am Jeff Starr; 1pm DJC; 2:45pm Tony Marshall; 3pm Alan Bates; 5pm Mark Palmer; 7pm Steve Coltrane; 9pm Peter Thomas; 11pm Mark Wright; 12:30am DJ Sidney; 3am c/down

Tues: 8am Dave Collins; 10am Tony West; Noon Peter Thomas; 2pm DJC; 4pm Mark Palmer; 7pm close down.

Fri: 8am Dave Collins; 10am Tony West; Noon Mark Palmer; 2pm Paul James; 4pm Peter Thomas; 6pm Paul Woods; 8pm DJ Sidney; 10pm Kevin Jordan; Midnight Tony West; 2am close-down

Sat: 8am Dave Collins; 10am Mark Wright; Noon Charles Pope; 2pm Paul James; 4pm KtC; 6pm KtC(for ex-R.City DJ); 6pm Tony West(for ex R.City DJ); 8pm Mark Newman; 10pm Paul Jay; Midnight ??; ?? close-down.

Sun: 9am Dave Collins; 11am Wayne Scott; 1pm Tony Coltrane; 3pm Burt Williams; 5pm DJC; 6pm Dave Benitez; 8pm Don La One; 10pm Mark Newman; Midnight Tony Hollis; 2am c/d.