



Macarthur Community Radio

Association Incorporated

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UPDATE

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~ THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT ~

Dear Members,

Firstly, I hope you all had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This year at 2MCR, we are celebrating our 25th anniversary, serving the Macarthur region and its community. With this in mind, we are organising a special lunch and concert, showcasing some of the varied music we offer our listeners every day. We are looking to hold this event on Sunday 24th August. The venue for this is still being finalized. Members of the committee are currently searching to find previous members who have helped get 2MCR to where it is today and invite them to come join us for the celebration.

Some new station announcements will be added to the daily run sheets to let the listeners know about our milestone and as we get closer to the lunch and concert date, invite them to help us celebrate too.

This year, I would ask all members, especially our on-air presenters, to really step up your involvement with 2MCR. We have more and more Outside Broadcasts going on, requiring helpers, not just to play music but to help out chatting to passers-by about 2MCR and what we offer.

There is still a feeling, to my mind anyway, that the "She'll be right mate" attitude still continues to permeate the station. A lot needs to be done but it's left to a handful to actually get it done. A few presenters are still not performing to their full potential and are making life hard for our programming team.

I would like everyone to really be the best you can be, get involved more than just your 2 hours on air and continue this through to our next 25 years serving Macarthur.

Many thanks

Mike Runcorn

~ THE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT ~

Greetings and welcome to all members, and to any new members & presenters that have joined us.

I hope everyone enjoyed their Xmas and New Year as we leap into another year ahead.

Thank you to all the presenters making themselves available as a fill in for people that have been ill or on vacation.

I want to say special thanks for the Office volunteers who have been so helpful and keeping things running.

Our Office staff are very enthusiastic and always ready to lend a hand.

One usually has enough cleaning at home to do but a number of our office staff and a couple of our presenters not only do the normal duties- they sweep and vacuum- they scrub and clean the bathroom- not a nice job when it is used by so many people during a week and weekend.

People should remember that it is not only members we see in here during a week but we have visitors from Council, RSL Management, Media people, Artists and singers, not to mention the listeners that come in through the week to say hello or pick up prizes.

Umpteen reasons for keeping the place clean and tidy!!

Thanks to Kath and Tim Miller for their assistance in various ways as well.

I would urge members to contact Brian Pearce and lend a hand for any outside Broadcasts; this is good grounding for new members especially, as you can get out and about with our Van as well as the opportunity to meet other members.

Brian will always welcome some willing hands so please check it out.

Personally I would like to thank Chris Geaney for helping out while I was away. Everyone tells me what a good job he did.

I want to remind weekend people that the sign on the door must say "Closed" over weekends, Office hours are Mon-Fri 9.30am to 4.30pm .

During time away I visited other Community stations and was struck by their security especially while sole presenters are on air.

It was nice to see the Management looked after their people so well in thinking about their welfare. It is not so easy to gain access to some stations over weekends as doors are usually locked and you need to phone up and ask if you need to see someone.

This is done for the protection of their members who can be quite vulnerable on their own in these days of rising crime.

It was explained to me that "We value our presenters and we feel responsible for them when doing their job on air and often alone on premises".

Some of you may recall my good friend Hazel Phillips (Golden girl of Australian TV in early years, own 2 shows plus Beauty and The Beast show as well as Theatre and Club work) Hazel has been on my show in the past and when in Qld I always manage to have a day with her now she is kind of retired to the Gold Coast. This time had a lovely day together eating out for lunch and then back to her place for a relaxing afternoon and lots of chat.

Like many of us in the Entertainment/acting field Hazel cannot entirely retire and she recently did a morning comedy gig with Denise Drysdale at a Noosa Club and a short movie role. It's always a treat for me to catch up with her as well as keeping in with regular emails.

Have a good year

Trevar Langland's
Vice President
Office Manager

~ THE TREASURER'S REPORT ~

Having relaxed over the Christmas period, it is time to focus on the New Year and how we can improve Macarthur Community Radio. It is encouraging to be able to report that we have 2 new sponsors, although we lost one long-term sponsor towards the end of last year. We hope the new sponsors will stay with us for a long time.

Prior to Christmas, there were some CBAA grants which had not been paid to the Station. With the assistance of other Committee members, the outstanding reporting was completed and I am happy to report that over \$10,000 grant funding has now been received. There is some more grant funding due shortly and I am actively following this up.

The Station has a comfortable bank balance although the "wish list" of equipment keeps growing! Unfortunately some of the studio equipment is beginning to "age" and we will need to replace some items soon.

I also wish to acknowledge the work done by our professional accountant/auditor, Peter Carter. He has been very helpful to me as I settled into my role. I should also acknowledge my patient husband, Gordon, who has helped with the domestic side at home to allow me to spend extra time on financial matters.

We have achieved a lot but there is always a lot more that we could do.

Robyn Manning

Treasure

~ THE SECRETARY'S REPORT ~

I would personally like to wish everyone happy New Year and may 2014 be a good year for you all, I would like to thank all the office staff and presenters, also thanks to Barry Prince & Frankie T for filling in on show during my bout of phenomena & lung infection. I hope to be back on air soon with a new and updated show. I have been working on our 25 year anniversary which will be the most exciting event that 100.3 – 2MCR hold this year it will be a day of dining, entertainment and catching up with some of the original members of the station, we look forward to seeing you there. Thank to our President & Brian Pearce who have been very supportive of me as thing in the secretary's position have changed since the last time I held the position and as many of you are aware I was only going to fill in until someone volunteered to take the secretary's position on, well no has put their hand so I will now take the position on full time and remain in the position until the next AGM.

I would like to say that Ruth Robinson as once again commenced her excellent train of our new presenters, and welcome to all the new trainee's & upcoming presenters. As the secretary I would

ask all correspondence that pertains to the radio station be addressed to the secretary of 100.3 - 2MCR, Macarthur Community Radio Station C/- Campbelltown RSL
1 Carberry Ln, Campbelltown NSW 2560 or P O Box 1420 Campbelltown NSW 2560.

I am always available and open to listen and address members concerns as being one of the first members of the station I feel my knowledge of the station can assist in resolving issues quickly. Please note that we need all members to attend meetings so you may have input into the future of the station, if you are unable to attend a meeting please forward your apologise to the secretary 100.3 – 2MCR.

Marie Rutledge
Secretary 100.3 – 2MCR

~ THE TECHNICAL REPORT ~

Over the past few weeks the station has had several problems with equipment, our technicians have worked to keep us on air but as per their advice we will be looking at replacing some of the equipment which may cost several thousand dollars and may require a fast approval form the committee and members to move ahead in placing much needed and updated equipment.

~ THE PROGRAM SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT ~

Welcome back and Happy New Year to all those that went away on holidays. I would like to thank all those presenters that filled in over the Xmas break without those presenters that have given up the Xmas time to fill in, also a big thank to Mike Runcorn for putting the Xmas & New Year day music together and also racing in when the system broke down, (more technical problems). It must be time to replace the ageing equipment. At this stage the programming committee are still concerned about the attendance of presenters and the commitment to the station some presenter are over committing there self's which manage are starting to view as a conflict of interest in some cases and these show are being monitored, as 100.3 2MCR have worked hard to build there listener base, sponsors and community acceptance this current behaviour will not be accepted by station management. As you are aware last year some presenters were removed due to the lack of attendance and attitude towards the station so please remember that when you sign up for a show it is 52 weeks of the year and looking at a minimum of four hours a week.

On a brighter note our new presenters Adam & Remington are going extremely well so welcome on board. We also have three new presenters who are currently being trained as training commence on Sunday 2nd February 2014 and once again Ruth as meet the challenge of training head on and if anyone want further training or knows any that wishes to be trained please have them contact the office for further information .

I would like to welcome Ruth Robinson back after a major operation on her arm, were she was laid up for a few weeks, also thanks to Greg Bryant for jumping in and panelling for Ruth whilst her arm recovers. I also take this opportunity to wish Ray Standen a speedy recovery, for those of you who don't know Ray came in to do his show and had to call Mike Runcorn to come in to take over as he was not well, he started heading to the doctors but change his mind and went to Campbelltown Hospital where he was admitted and then transferred to Liverpool Hospital and as under gone s series of test, so once again one of our hard working committed presenters are is under a cloud of

health question and may be away for a few weeks, Ray's shows will only be filled in until such time as he is able to return.

The programming team look forward to working with all the presenters so that we can move the station forward in 2014.

Brian Pearce
Programming Manager

OUTSIDE BROADCAST MANAGER

We started off the year with the Picton Rodeo and unfortunately what has become the poor standard of support for the outside broadcast unit it was Frankie T & I it was the same with the Picton show I find this a bit of a letdown considering these are predominately country music venues and we have 7 or 8 country presenters, it is the same with most OB's. Everyone needs to remember that the OB's are to promote your shows and the whole station so don't forget we have the Australia Day Parade this Sunday 26th Jan and I am expecting a good turnout.

Well what a turn around and difference a text message made, thank you to all those that turned up for Australia Day 2014 at Camden we are slow looking more professional and being recognised in the Camden area.

We are looking at quotes for the new logos and possible what is called a completely wrapping the van and having images.

We are looking forward to a fun filled year with lots more Outside Broadcast to promote the station and the many varied shows we put to air. Our next OB is A.O.O.B. Camden Branch on Sunday 23.02.14 from 9.00am till 1.00pm, Camden Civic Centre Pitter Patter Markets.

Brian Pearce
Outside Broadcast Manager

~ THE TRAINING REPORT ~

Well, 2014 is well and truly underway and so too is our first training group for the year. Three (3) trainees have signed up and we are already half-way into the six (6) week Introductory Training Course. All three gentlemen are steadily 'learning the ropes' and as each week passes, I can see their confidence growing with their 'new-found' knowledge, and practical experience, behind the microphone and panel. It won't be long before the men will be able to put this 'new-found' knowledge to 'real-life' experience and enjoy partaking in the radio station with their own programmes.

Ruth Robertson
(Training Officer/Presenter)

GENERAL INFORMATION

A number of issues have been brought up over the last few weeks one being the safety of the radio station and not having a safety officer and concerns around the equipment and one

presenter feels we should close the station until it is all rectified, they also feel that all promotional items not having Macarthur Community Radio Station on them should be dis-guarded and replaced, should we waste this money we spent on these items & should we close the studio till we all feel safe , What do you think?

Also once again your mess you clean it up, you use it wash it up and put it away because other people don't want to site in it.

We are also looking for more members and presenters so if you know someone that is interested have them contact the office.

We also need you to look for sponsors if you have a contact please forward it to Frankie T.

We are also looking for present or member who are qualified in First Aid & Work Health & Safety who would like to put up there hand to be list in these position at the radio station.

NEXT UPDATE NEWSLETTER CLOSING DATES

Monday the 17th of February 2014

Monday the 19th of May 2014

Monday the 18th of August 2014

Monday the 17th of November 2014

To have your article Included in the UpDate email to secretary@2mcr.org.au or forward it to the office.

You can even put your items in the Secretary's locked box in the Office.

DATES to REMEMBER **FOR YOUR DIARY IN 2013**

All other meeting times remain temporarily Diarised & are made in accordance with the Articles of the Association & the Rules therein.

The 1st General Meeting of 2014 will be Monday the 24th of February
Monday 26TH MAY, Monday 25TH AUGUST, Monday 24TH
NOVEMBER.

All meetings will be held at Cabravale Digger's Club [*Campbelltown RSL Club*] In The Upstairs Meeting Rooms at 7.30pm

Any Items for inclusion to the Agenda must be sent to the Secretary within 7 days prior to the meeting.

The next Annual General Meeting will be on Wednesday 24th October 2014

The 4th General Meeting of 2014 will be Monday 24th of November 2013
ANY ITEMS FOR INCLUSION TO THE AGENDA MUST BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY WITHIN 7

The Editors Desk

Workplace Bullying Definition:

Four key takeaways:

1. Consider how much you hold a “Fixed Mindset”, and how this might impact your own development or career or ability to resolve an issue.
2. Realise the limit of potential you’re placing on yourself and on others by keeping a Fixed Mindset.
3. You can develop a Growth Mindset; you can challenge your habitual thinking, your own reactions. You must though pay attention to what you tell yourself in situations, in the moment.

Our interpretations create an internal dialogue in our minds, which might limit us and our judgments of others, or expand us and see opportunities for growth and development. It’s all about what happens in the most important ‘top 7 inches’ of your body – our Mindset determines our behaviour.

Quote of the Day:

Go with the flow. Force Nothing. Let it happen...Trusting that whichever way it goes. It's for the Best

All correspondence & items for inclusion in this UpDate are scrutinised BY THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE before processing and printing ready for distribution via your email address or if you have no email contact ~ to your postal mailing address. If you are having doubts with regard to any item in this News Letter or you wish to complain about anything at all ~ you must put it in writing & address it to the Secretary of the Association.

A reminder for all Members:~ All official correspondence such as complaints, conflicts or technical discrepancies, must be in an original form being signed by the sender along with full name & contact numbers & current residential address as on the Council's planning Authority or the Electoral Roll. If you wish to have complete confidentiality, you must state so in your letter & we are obliged to respect your wishes by not divulging your personal details. If the letter from you is of a genuine matter, then we are able to investigate the matter expeditiously.

PRESENTER'S PROFILES

**** There are no presenter profile this issue****

There are no Presenter Profiles for this time ~ Maybe in the next UpDate in 2014

If you have changed your RESIDENTIAL –OR- POSTAL address or any of your contact details, then you need to inform the Secretary immediately so that we may be able to send you appropriate information when required by Law and the Articles of the Association **TELL US WHAT YOUR EMAIL**

ADDRESS IS;

also let us know your HOME or Mobile phone numbers. Your contact details are part of your agreement as a Member of Macarthur Community Radio Association Incorporated.



~ ATTENTION ~

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER CONTACT DETAILS OR – secretary@2mcr.org.au
at 2MCR on 4625 2768 during Business Hours

THESE ARE THE APPOINTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS – N O W.

PRESIDENT	: Mr. Michael Runcorn's	~	VICE PRESIDENT	: Mr. Trevar Langlands
SECRETARY	Mr. Marie Rutledge	~	TREASURER	: Mr. Robin Manning
COMMITTEE	: Mr. Ann Warner	~	COMMITTEE	: Mr. Denis Millward
COMMITTEE	: Mr. Britton Morrison	~	COMMITTEE	: Mr. Brian Pearce
COMMITTEE	: Mr. Annette Miller	~	COMMITTEE	: Mr. John Kemp

ALL OFFICE BEARERS WILL BE UNTIL THE 2014
AGM

WARNING

ANY MEMBER WHO PRESENTS A PROGRAM BOTH GENERAL OR ETHNIC, **THEIR CO-PRESENTER OR GUEST** MUST NOT USE THE STUDIO COMPUTERS FOR PERSONAL USE

THE CAN PC COMPUTER IN THE OFFICE IS THE ONLY COMPUTER THAT YOU CAN USE FOR THIS PURPOSE.

**RESPECT ALL THE EQUIPMENT PROVIDED FOR YOUR USE IN THE STATION
IF YOU DON'T YOU WILL LOSE
IT.**

All Correspondence goes to the Secretary ~
secretary@2mcr.org.au All Presenter's & Listener's & on air contacts go to ~
presenter@2mcr.org.au (access available on the CAN Computer ONLY)

All technical fault & information via the website etc go to ~
feedback@2mcr.org.au

I hope this information will help keep you in contact.

THE WELFARE & CARE LIST

As most of you would be aware our Training officer had an operation on her arm and took some time out to recuperate and is now back with us but is utilising Greg Bryant to panel for her as she won't have use of her arm for a couple of months. I would like to thank Ruth for battling on not only with her show but with starting train on time.

Also we have Ray Standen in hospital, after taking himself to the hospital due to falling ill halfway through his show he was admitted to Campbelltown and then transferred to Liverpool Hospital for further test's, a big thank you to Michael Runcorn for rushing in and taking over Ray's show. Ray is dearly missed on air and always provides a quality show get well soon our love and thoughts are with you.

I would also like to say thank you to Marie for carrying on whilst she has been ill with a bout of phenomena & lung infection, she as had to take time from her show until her health gets better as she is still not talking correctly at the moment.

We always miss their company at the Station.



OUR SPONSORS FOR THIS TERM HAVE BEEN AS FOLLOWS ~

NEVILLE MATE – “YES WHAT” RADIO SERIAL ~ FITZPATRICK & ASSOCIATES McGRATH'S HILL
AUCTIONS ~ MICHAEL SLATTERY ~ CABRAVALE DIGGERS CAMPBELLTOWN RSL ~
CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL ~ THE IRISH ECHO ~ ANTILL PARK COUNTRY GOLF CLUB
~ BARRY MACK ANTIDAMP AUSTRALIA ~ WALK ON WHEELS ~ HAYTER'S TIMBER PENRITH ~ GAELS
CLUB ~ CBAA & CBF ~ BC KITCHENS ~TABCORP PARK – MENANGLE ~ KENNEALLY'S FUNERALS ~
WOLLONDILLY SHIRE COUNCIL

[This space is for a new SPONSOR]

J O K E T I M E ~ O R ~ N O T

Here is one for the ladies:

