



NEWSLETTER

August 2025

Lots of updates, information and titbits for you this time so let's start it off with how we went at various functions

BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Another great success ! Thank you to everyone who came on the day, helped make the goodies we ate or gave so generously. We made \$ 1,250.70 which was a fabulous result ! Kerry from the Coffs Cancer Council office came and gave us some insights as to how the money will assist research and the ways help is given to those fighting cancer at this time This has become an annual event now and 2 Air FM is happy to help The Cancer Council are so pleased to receive help for this event each year and tell us that 21,000 Biggest Morning Teas were arranged and they brought in a whopping \$ 14 million plus !

PETE'S PLACE

As a community participation project we held a Bunnings BBQ in early July and it was decided to direct all funds raised to Pete's Place - such a good and worthy cause !

Pete's Place is under the umbrella of St Vincent de Paul and is situated at the Community Village where they help, assist and generally give support (and also a listening ear) to those in the community who are in need or homeless

The nett profit for the day was \$ 1,843.07 and all this will be donated to Pete's Place

What a marvellous day's work by our Fund Raising Team -- -- -- -- please take a bow !

MEMBERSHIP

Early Membership

Each year we hold a draw for those members who renew their membership BEFORE the 30th of June and the prize, a \$150 Visa Gift Card, was won this year by Gordon Griffiths and boy was he excited at his good luck !

We thank all who renewed before the date and can only say "better luck next year"

To those who have not yet renewed their membership

Theoretically all these members are not current members (due date for membership is 30th June each year) but we give them some leeway before deleting them from our membership lists

So if you are dragging the chain, please get a wiggle on and stay a member of this great community radio station by renewing your membership - there are several ways you can do this, so if you cannot make it to the studio, call the office on 6652 1071 and find out the options

And we really hope to keep you as part of our family of members !

Members only Draw

And this is another reason to stay a member !

These draws are still going strong during the "Lunchtime" programmes on a weekday - so make sure you are listening - you may be the "lucky winner" one day !

GOOD LUCK

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IN REMEMBRANCE

To any who have lost family members or friends, we offer sincere condolences and trust that your memory will keep them in your hearts and we are thinking of you at this sad time in your life

CHANGES TO PROGRAMMING

The recent changes to our programming are going well and there has been no real problems - we are grateful to all our listeners for accepting these changes

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FOR A LAUGH !

Plumber said "Why haven't you paid the bill for the work I did last Friday " ?

Paddy replied " Well it was not what you quoted "

Plumber said " I didn't give you a quote"

Paddy replied " Yes you did ! When I asked what day you could come, you said YOU WERE FREE ON FRIDAY !!

If we tried this in real life do you think we could get away with it ?

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OPEN DAY

It's August again ((or very soon will be) and that means we hold an "Open Day" - this year on Saturday 16th August at the studio from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

This is our birthday celebration as we made our first broadcast way back in mid-August in 1998 and have always held Open Days at this time to celebrate our birthday and to show off the studios to all and sundry

This year we will have the Coffs Harbour Pipes & Drums to entertain us and as 'special features' we will be having some interesting 'hands on' things for those who come along - - people will be able to select a song and then play it in the spare studio or record a station promo in the Production Room as well as have a guided tour of the premises

The BBQ will be fired up and sausage sandwiches or soft drinks will be available - - we are asking for a gold coin donation for these to help defray the costs

Morning tea will also be served - Tea/coffee and cakes, biscuits etc will be on the house

So make sure you make a note of the date, come along and enjoy the friendly atmosphere which is always there at our functions

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SOME NONSENSE TO THINK ABOUT

- Chickens are the only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead
- Beauty Parlour - - a place where women curl up and dye
- Committee - - a body that keeps minutes and wastes hours
- Raisin - - - a grape with sunburn !
- Egotist - - - Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation

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FUND RAISING & OUTDOOR MUSIC

As the year goes by the list of events gets shorter but we still have a busy time ahead

End of Year Concert/Party - -

There has been a major change in arrangements for this function

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we cannot hold it at Park Beach Bowling Club so have made alternative arrangements at Sawtell Golf Club

The date has also been changed - it will now be on Sunday 14th December and more details will follow but make sure you mark it on your calendar

One advantage is that it is on one level and accessible to all - very good news !

And being that much closer to Christmas it will have an even more festive slant !

Tommy Memphis will be there again and also the Tombola will be running for some extra fun ! Keep listening to hear more details as they come over the next 3 months and then we will be in "ticket sales" mode in earnest !

Event	Time	Details	Date
Open Day	10.00 am To 1.00 pm	Annual event with activities and tours – plus BBQ and Morning tea	Saturday 16 th August
Made with Love Markets	9.00 am To 2.00 pm	Outdoor music plus a MWL Father's Day Raffle	Sunday 24 th August
EOY Raffle	Sales at various places r	The Annual EOY Raffle	Sales start on 1 st November
Made with Love Market	9.00 am To 2,00 pm	Outdoor Music plus EOY raffle sales	Sunday 30 th November
Christmas Concert/Party	Details as they come	Fun/Social Day featuring Tommy Memphis at Sawtell Golf Club	Sunday 14 th December
End of year raffle	On sale at various places	Drawn at studio	Drawn Tuesday 16 th December

If you would like to be part of the workers organizing any of the events listed, please give the station a call and leave a message with the office staff - they will pass it on and someone from the Fund Raising team will contact you because any assistance you can give them would be much appreciated !

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SICK LIST

As we are midway through winter, there have been quite a few with colds, flu and sometimes worse. If you have been unfortunate enough to get anything to make you sick or have been hospitalised with operations etc, we wish you all a speedy recovery to the maximum health you can achieve and say to anyone who is feeling poorly for any reason

Get well soon

and we hope it will be sooner rather than later !

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TECHNICAL - STREAMING - WEBSITE - FACEBOOK

What can we say apart from "All going well" with the minimum of problems although trouble always seems to come in waves rather than one thing at a time - That is called "Murphy's Law" isn't it - but individually, here is a short report about each one :

STREAMING - really working well - we have emails and telephone calls from all over the place and presenters who are away on safari listen from wherever they are - so good to hear they are still in contact and some follow us on Facebook too

Anyone out of range for normal broadcasting can lock into our website or one of the many apps available and "Bingo" there we are loud and clear to entertain you

FACEBOOK - we have some Presenters and members who regularly go onto Facebook to keep in touch while on a trip - we know of one in WA at present who is keeping in touch via Facebook and we encourage this interaction

Andrew (our Facebook Facilitator) keeps it all up to date and posts photos from our events etc when someone gives them to him - so if you want to contribute, just hop onto the Facebook page and a big thanks to Andrew for his work

It is always an interesting place to catch up on the general news and maybe even a bit of "Gossip" !

WEBSITE - this is a constant update process ! The website is almost like a newspaper and this is the place you need to go to for any information about 2 Air FM - it is all there and is also being developed to make it easier to navigate - - this is almost a never ending job and we thank Ian for keeping this up to date at all times

TECHNICAL - well what can we say about the "Techies" ! They are special people who get called out at some of the most inconvenient times whenever anything goes wrong - they always seem to come up trumps and get things working properly again and by diligent maintenance they keep us running in good order most of the time - thanks to Garry and his helpers !

USELESS INFORMATION TIME

- They say marriages are made in heaven - - but so is thunder and lightning !
- If you cannot think of a word say "I forget the English word for it" - - - that way people will think you are bilingual instead of an idiot!
- Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a donation towards the local swimming pool - - I gave him a glass of water !
- This book of marriage says "Treat your wife like you treated her on the first date" - - so after dinner tonight, I am dropping her off at her parent's house !
- And finally another one from Paddy :
Paddy was in the bathroom when Murphy shouts to him "Did you find the shampoo ?"
Paddy replies "Yes but it is for dry hair and I've just wet mine !"

FINALE

The time has come for this Editor to hang up her boots and retire !

It has been a real pleasure bringing you all the news from 2 Air FM over the years

It was all started back in 2003 or 2004 and has been done on a quarterly basis ever since by
"yours truly"

It is now time for the editorship to be passed on to other members of our beloved
community radio station to carry on the tradition of talking to you via Newsletter each
quarter

Back in the early days when computers weren't really crash hot, it was a big deal but that
was 20 years ago - now with cut/paste etc it is much easier to organise

It is sincerely hoped that the Newsletters over the years have been of interest to you and
yours, you have enjoyed the funnies and recipes which were added from time to time to make
some lighter bits and generally been a good source of information about 2 Air FM

Heather and Janiece have agreed to take over the publication of future Newsletters and I
am sure they both are far more "computer savvy" than me and I am happy to say to them
"Good luck and I hope all goes well for you"

I am going to pick one of Presenter Ron's sayings here - - "it's goodbye from me and Hello to
Heather & Janiece" -- - - - thanks Ron for the loan of your saying !

Bye, Sayonara, au revoir, adios TTFN etc etc for the final time

Keep listening to 2 Air FM

And for the very first time I am personalising my "sign off"

Regards from
Elsie Langford - Newsletter Editor (now retired)