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BCfm on BBC Radio Bristol
every Saturday and Sunday
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A message from your Station Manager, Phil Gibbons

When I sit down to write these little bits I always find myself saying how well we are all doing etc in my best 'Young Mr Grace' way! (probably lost on the under 30's that one).



Anyway it's hard not to be so positive as we are constantly producing some great and inspiring radio. Whether you are an experienced radio bod or rather new to the whole shebang, it is now time to take stock of where we all fit into BCfm. We need to consistently offer that great radio experience to Bristol as well as questioning certain things and bringing our own personality to the airwaves. It's easy to get complacent after one year on air and small mistakes and stupidity creep in. We should always personally and collectively as a station be asking ourselves "how can I possibly improve what I do"?

We are always getting great emails about our output, so let's see if we get even more and make BCfm 93.2fm a bigger force to be reckoned with.

Onwards and upwards....Phil



Festival Season has kicked in and BCfm will be covering WOMAD and Glastonbury Festivals. This also means that a number of the staff will be away.

June 22nd to 30th Bruce Williamson, Phil Gibbons and Joanne Schofield will be away.

Kevin Farqhar will be covering the studio management during that period and contact details are on the board in the studio

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PROGRAMMING

The schedule is very packed and we have new programmes starting all the time. Look out for the new Wednesday evening drive shows. Two teams will be bringing you news, guests, features and music presented by Maff Reed and James Woods on alternate Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm. On June 10th at 4pm the kids from Access To Music will be presenting a regular show after enjoying their taster programmes in April.



Joanne Schofield, joanne@bcfm.org.uk
Programme & Outreach

Lucy Harrington (right) is back. Regular listeners will remember Lucy's weekend breakfast shows when BCfm started but she is back on Monday Lunch times from July. In the meantime you can hear her in June on Wednesday Lunch times



Also listen out for the new sports show on Saturdays at 6pm. This is presented by Rik and Vic. The show will be covering lots of local sport and will be featuring guests from local sporting clubs. Featuring highly on their guest list may be one or two members of Bristol Storm. In November 2007 Bristol Storm were accredited as an England Basketball Academy based here at the City Academy. The club boast a comprehensive women's programme, a fast growing men's programme including the introduction of national league for the 2008/09 season and a very impressive community programme.



TRAINING

RADIO PRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION SKILLS

Training is being provided by the BBC for all volunteer presenters and producers of BCfm.

This will be at their studios on Whiteladies Road in Clifton Bristol on 25th July.

BCfm will be working with the BBC to ensure all areas of training are covered as much as possible in just one day but please do your homework and listen to as much of the BCfm broadcast as possible and to other radio stations to broaden your knowledge and experience of what other radio stations do and how they do it.

Further details will be confirmed closer to the date.

Please email phil@bcfm.org.uk to reserve a place

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Meet The Presenters



I currently present a Nostalgic Music show on Friday evenings at 7pm.

I also assist Martin Stock with his Rock and Roll show on Monday afternoons at 2pm, and tech-op for other presenters when needed.

I first got involved with Community Radio back in April 2006. I won a prize in The People's Hive Show on Radio 19. I called into the Beacon Centre to collect it and that kicked off my "career" both in Volunteering, as Laura Murgatroyd persuaded me to join Barton Hill Settlement Timebank, and in Broadcasting as Joanne was kind enough to give me a show in the 2 week run of the illustrious station.

Since then I have become a Trustee of the Settlement, a local resident Board Member for Redfield on Community at Heart, Secretary of "Grass Roots", Chair of the local Drugs and Crime Partnership, and other activities which I have lost count of.



*Something for the Weekend
with
Rich Prior*

Friday 12noon

The Warm up to the Weekend is everything you need to know about the music, theatre and cultural events in Bristol over the weekend.

The show aims to provide the listener with as many opportunities as possible when planning for the weekend. The show also has weekly reviews for films, provided by guest critics in the studio, providing incisive and entertaining reviews, as well as promoting the films out over the coming week.

It also aims to promote local events as well, giving people in the community the platform to talk about their events. We aim to play as much diverse music as possible, with music from all across the past 30 years, as well as promoting local music.



I attended the Radio Production Course at the Beacon Centre last year, to improve my broadcasting skills. I am now one of the Famous Four Scots presenters (others being DJ KevvyKev, Cliff Hanley and Laura Hamilton).

Phil says we all started out in life as little Scotch Eggs!

My favourite male BCFM presenter is Michael Clark with his brilliant Blues and Jazz show on Monday evenings at 7pm. (he seems to know ALL the local musicians and attends just about every gig that is going). My favourite Female presenter is Lucy Harrington. She has a wonderful professional approach and attitude.

My broadcasting hero is my late wife's uncle, Percy Edwards, who made regular appearances on the BBC as an animal impersonator, wildlife expert and occasional panellist.

He wrote four books. I have them all thanks to ebay. He also made an LP in 1975 of Noah's Ark stories with all the animal sounds. I am about to buy that and so may give it some air time myself.

I have a plan to put together a Grass Roots show (which Joanne does not know about yet, so please keep this a secret for the moment!) It will have lots of local features and stories and will be a sure fire winner.



**Bristol's Mix-Up
Thursday 4pm**

Regular listeners
to Bristol Mix-Up
May be confused

When they tune in on 12th June because George is busy in a theatre production so Bethany will be standing in for George.

Bethany can usually be heard on Fridays on the Beth n Ellie Show at 4pm but has been off the airwaves for the last month to make space for some schools projects.

Welcome back Beth n Ellie

Alec Milne: The Nostalgic Music Show

Events

The Rock Show

Sunday 10pm – midnight

Upcoming shows will feature interviews with

- The Band Of The Eye
- Silo
- Sharp End First
- Sick Party Hi jinks

In depth features on the 1980's prog. rock revival and the late 1980's 'power metal' scene; A History of the Rock Festival and much more....

For play lists and links to many of the bands featured on the show
Visit www.myspace.com/stashy_jon



BCfm /Jelli Records Benefit Gig

Thank you to Steve Parkhouse who arranged another benefit gig in April. Thanks also to Mohammed and Alec who turned up. Sadly it was just the week after the BCfm 1st anniversary party and it appeared you were all 'partied' out.

Unfortunately the gig made a loss but Steve is not despondent and will be doing another one in the Autumn so please support Steve as he raises funds for the station.



Don't forget...



.....Phil will be away from the studio from Sunday 22nd until Monday 30th June. BCfm will be in the capable hands of Kevin Farqhar (Right) and all numbers and contact details will be in the studio.

WOMAD Competition

We will be running a competition throughout June offering listeners the chance to win pairs of tickets to WOMAD in July. All the information you need is in the studio. Don't forget to play the music from the WOMAD file on the computer and promote the festival whenever you can.

The BCfm Radio Broadcast Steering Group has a vital role in ensuring that BCfm meets its objective to **'advance the social cohesion of the community by providing an engaging and challenging radio experience to the City of Bristol and to promote the physical, emotional and mental well-being of the diverse communities within'**.

The main aims of the Steering Group are to:-

- be aware of the BCfm Broadcast Licence application
- ensure that the Directors of Bristol Community fm Ltd are providing all the necessary facilities to ensure that the aims and objectives of the broadcast can be carried out
- identify groups or individuals in the community that are under-represented in the broadcast industry in Bristol and have not already been identified
- identify areas of progression and wider participation
- attend 80% of steering group meetings

By involving the community and professionals, decisions will be informed by evidence from real life and professional experience and expertise, thus widening the input into the development of the Radio Station.

Bristol Community FM Steering Group

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