

RAMADAN KAREEM

- This year Ramadan started on the 1st September and will end towards the end of the month
- During Ramadan BCfm will be broadcasting the call to prayer 5 times a day
- For a translation of the call to prayer see page 5
- During Ramadan Muslim people will fast between sunrise and sunset.
- Ramadan is the third pillar of Islam.
- When Ramadan is over Muslim's will celebrate EID, one of the biggest festivals in their calendar. They will Pray, spend time with their family and, eat, lots!

From the Station Manager: Phil's two penneth'

Did I miss summer? Now all the partying is over of the festival season, it's back to work and on with the shows. Not quite finished with the festivals yet though – BCfm's Steve Parkhouse is organising the acoustic stage at the new Bristol Community festival the week-end of the 20th and 21st September. This of course means that many of BCfm's favourite local artists will be performing and will be superbly introduced by some devilishly good looking geezer called Phil.....(Yeah right Phil. ED)



The new City and Guilds course starts this month also and it's already over subscribed, so sorry if you were too late. We do run sporadic courses throughout the year and I'll let you know as and when these are.

This month will also see the installation of the new studio – partly funded by CSV Media and the new website will be fully functional with presenter profiles and Podcasts. Long time coming I know!

It wears me out just thinking about all the good and positive things in store for us all, so keep enjoying Bristol community fm 93.2 and see you at the John Sebastian Lightship on Friday 26th (see Page 2 for more details) for a great get together and fundraiser!

Phil

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The Website!

The new web site is up and running but we are still looking for additional content.

If you are a presenter and would like to be featured in the Presenters Gallery, if you would like to add some information about your show, or information about an event you would like to publicise then e-mail webteam@bcfm.org.uk

If you still have not checked out the new look site then pay us a visit www.bcfm.org.uk



Programming News!

For September, and probably October as time seems to be slipping away, I will be focusing on funding and sustainability of BCfm 93.2. Those of you close to the heart of the project are probably already aware of this as it has been planned for a long time now. We had a very successful funding campaign at the end of last year and all those volunteers who rallied around to protect, praise and support your project did a fabulous job which has allowed us this 'breathing space'.



Once again we need to thank Bristol City Council for the 'physical' breathing space they have given us so that I can get on with it away from the usual hustle and bustle and interruptions of the studio. So if you've missed me, that's where I've been. I'm certainly missing all of you! 9 to 5 behind a computer all day is not as much fun but BCfm is worth it.

Thanks again for all your offers of help I may be taking you up on some.

Until I (hopefully) get back to my old role of programming Phil Gibbons will be managing the schedule and programmes. For news on what is coming up in September see page 3...

Joanne

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EXCITING BCfm BABY NEWS!!



Not only have we celebrated our first on air proposal but now, BCfm is proud to announce the birth of the first official BCfm bambino! Many congratulations to Munro and his lovely fiancé Debbie Gibson who recently celebrated the birth of their first baby! At the time of going to press rumours that the child will be called after Uncle "Steve Satan" have yet to be confirmed!

BCfm FUNDRAISER!

Don't forget the BCfm fundraiser on the 26th September at the John Sebastian Lightship. Doors open at 8pm and features "The Hinkley Veltones" and "Mr Bennett". Tickets are £5 and are available from the studio or you can e-mail

jellirecords@hotmail.co.uk.

See You all There!!!!



Coming up in September...

Monday - Friday 7pm Somali broadcast

Never let it be said that BCfm is not a truly community led radio station. After a year of broadcasting from 7pm BCfm thought it would be refreshing to move the schedule around a little. The Somali broadcast moved to 8pm but has proven that it is not sustainable at that time due to the community and cultural activities of the community. A great deal of thanks is owed to Ahmed Mohammed for managing to keep it going but we hope that life will be a little easier for him and some of their usual broadcasts can be re-instated.

Tuesday - 2pm

Laura Hamilton presents the Environment Show

Tuesday - 3pm

Julia Edwards presents the Health & Wellbeing Show

Tuesday - 4pm

Beth 'n' Ellie are welcomed back after the summer break



Wednesdays - 12noon to 2pm

Maff presents his community lunch show



Wednesdays - 5pm to 7pm

Paul Davis is a welcome return with the local sports drive show

Thursday - 12noon to 2pm

Phil Gibbons is covering Natalia's summer break and training new voices each week

Thursday 5pm to 7pm

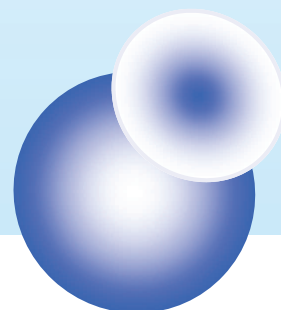
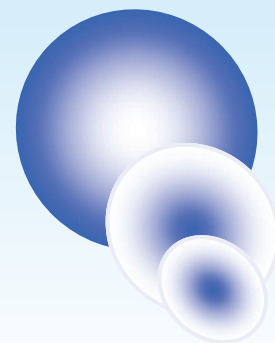
New volunteers Tom Robinson, James Woods, Laura Morris and others bring 'Young Bristol to the airwaves of BCfm

Friday 8pm to 10pm

New to BCfm is Bristol's Urban Sound brought to you by Dwain. Old friends and locals will remember Dwain from some of our very first broadcasts back in the Radio 19 days. Dwain came to us as part of the local band Wolfpack and is now part of his own record lable, entertainment company bringing it all to BCfm.

.....so where's Alex Milne and the Nostalgia Hour? check out the schedule on www.bcfm.org.uk and find out.

Any questions or suggestions to phil@bcfm.org.uk



Meet the Presenters

MEET MICHAEL CLARK...

Hi, my name is Michael Clark. I have been presenting music shows since the Radio 19 days and got involved when I was working at the Barton Hill settlement. I heard about the project and realised that there was nowhere locally presenting my sort of music, Jazz and blues with a sprinkling of folk and root and so, I decided to do one myself. I present a show on BCfm Monday nights 8pm-9pm.

As I know most of the jazz and blues musicians in Bristol it gives them a forum for their music and, whenever possible the opportunity to perform live on air. It takes about 3 hours to do my one hour show or maybe longer if I go and do interviews.

I love it, it makes sure I keep up to date with what is happening and now people are handing me CD's in the street.

Keep them coming...



MEET EMMA COX

I work in the Strategy and Commissioning section of Bristol City Council, and when my colleague Barry told me about BCfm I was keen to get involved.

I'd been interested in volunteering and radio for a while, but work and not getting round it had always got in the way. Barry was looking for someone to co-present a show with, so we asked for and got a fortnightly slot on Tuesdays at 7pm.

As we come into contact with a lot of people from the statutory and voluntary sectors at work, we thought we'd base our show around local issues like housing, personal finance and community events and we've had guests in from places like Citizens' Advice, Bristol Credit Union and St Pauls Carnival.

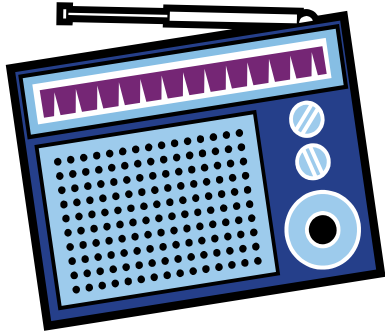


I can't stop listening to....

I can't stop listening to Seun Kuti "Think Africa". It's a song done by the son of the great Fela Kuti and it's his honest plea for Africans to think for themselves. The music is made up of afro funk and it kicks like a mule. If you're interested in finding out more, he has a my space site which is simply Seun Kuti.

DJ KEVVY KEV Presents The Chill Out from 5pm-7pm Sundays





Don't forget to tune into BCfm on BBC Radio Bristol every Saturday and Sunday morning from 3am-5am, If that's a bit too late or a bit too early for you, you can listen to the shows repeated on BCfm on weekend mornings or tune into the BBC listen again service at your own convenience!



Fiesta Forever!

Check out the beautiful Poster for DJ Willy C Fiesta Forever show.
 - his show is on Saturdays from 9pm to 11pm
 A beautiful Poster for a fantastic show! Good Job Willy!

BCfm and Ramadan

As you will know it is the Islamic month of Ramadhan, when all the Muslims in the world fast from Daylight to Sundown for 30 days. During this time Muslims are required to pray five times a day. The AZAN or call to prayer is a means of communicating to followers to let them know it is time for prayers. During Ramadhan BCfm will be broadcasting the call to prayer five times a day and for out non Muslim listeners we have included a translation of the AZAN provided by our very own Zahir.

To all our Muslim listeners and presenters, RAMADAN KAREEM

ALLAH (GOD) is most great. ALLAH (GOD) is most great.

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I testify that there is no God except ALLAH

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I testify that Muhammad is the messenger of ALLAH (GOD)

Come to prayer! Come to prayer!

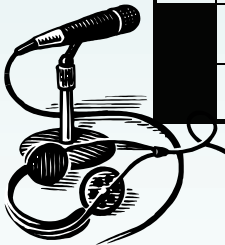
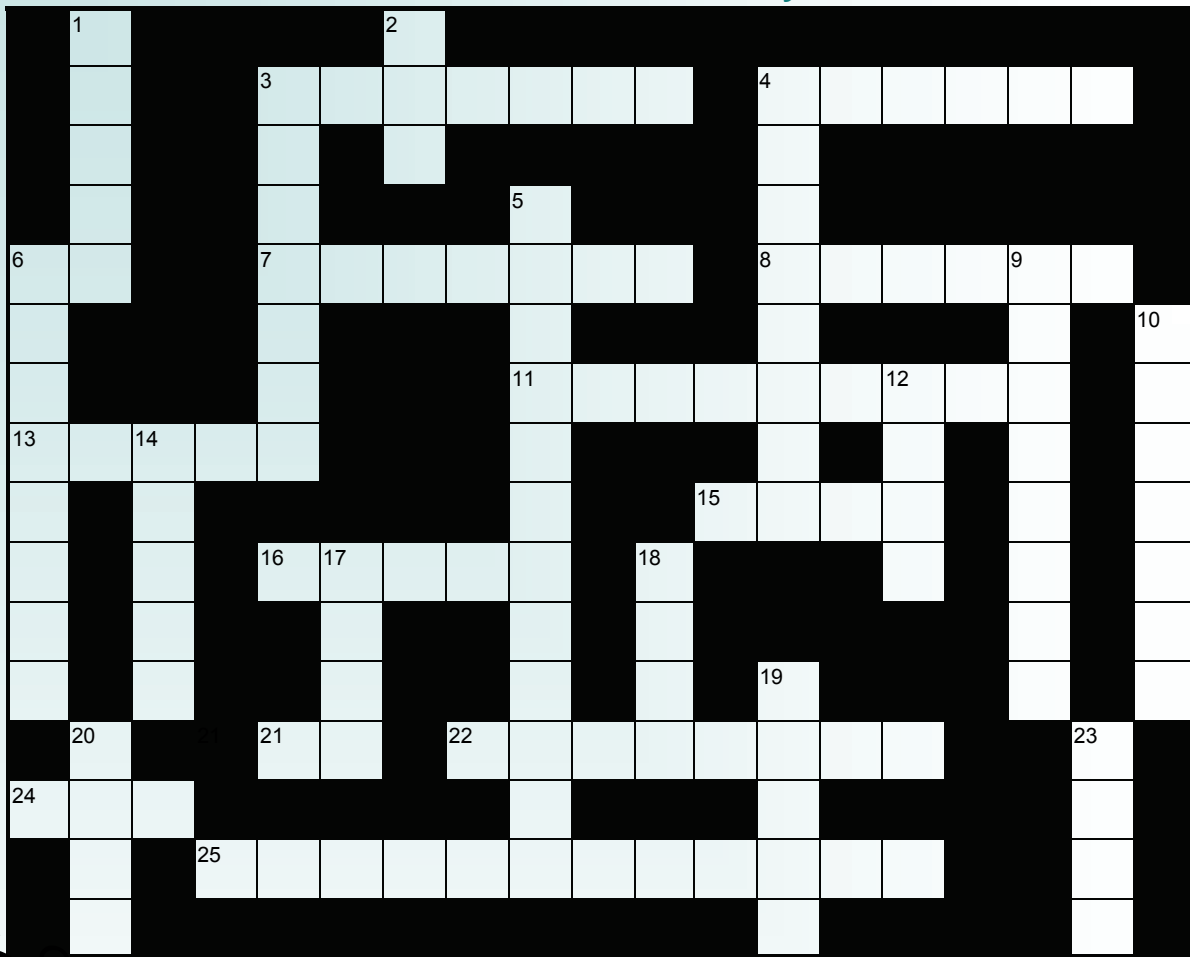
Come to success? Come to success?

ALLAH (GOD) is most great. ALLAH (GOD) is most great.

There is none worthy of worship except ALLAH (God)

Coffee Break Crossword

Take time out to have a go at our “Radio” Crossword, test you knowledge of BCfm, Classic Radio Shows and Famous DJ’s & Presenters!



ACROSS

- 3. Tony whose half hour is a classic
- 4. See 13 Across
- 6. Whiley? We prefer Schofield
- 7. See 22 Across
- 8. One of the John's with 18 down
- 11. see 3 Down
- 13. Smashie's best pal
- 15 & 19 Down Friday Drive times smooth operator (4,5)
- 16. "Snowey" Dick Barton, secret agents special friend
- 21. & 24 Across, Regulators of Radio in the UK (2-3)
- 22. & 7 Across The Chairman of "Just a Minute" (8,7)
- 24 see 21 Across
- 25 A classic naughty school boy! (9,3)

DOWN

- 1. The Killer of the Radio Star

- 2. BBC's Numero Uno
- 3. & 11 Across, Much missed chair of "I'm Sorry I'll say that Again" (7,9)
- 4. Which noble title did Guglielmo Marconi hold?
- 5. On holiday in Luxembourg I tune into MW648 and find myself listening to The...(5, 7)
- 6. Sadly missed, most influential DJ of all time? (4,4)
- 9. Presenter of "The Garden Quiz" (4,4)
- 10, See 18 down
- 12. Blackburn?
- 14. & 4 Across, Presenter of Radio One's Breakfast show (5,6)
- 17 & 20 Down the 30 minutes belonging to 2 Across
- 18, A lot of tying up "In the Marsh"
- 19 see 15 Across
- 20 see 17 down
- 23 Queens own Radio Station



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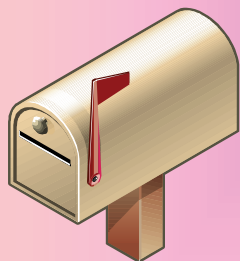
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