



Celebrating
40 YEARS OF
BROADCASTING

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Welcome to this newsletter, in about eight weeks' time we will be halfway through 2023, the year is going by very quickly and we have been busy here keeping our fantastic station on the air. We have a lot of volunteers both on air and behind the scenes who do marvelous work and are very passionate about the station.

Technical



Although we do have our occasional struggles. A few months ago, our transmitter failed which is unusual as it was only five years old, they normally have a life of between 10 and 15 years sometimes even longer. As we don't have a standby transmitter we were off air, this happened on a Monday afternoon, I was able to arrange a loan transmitter which didn't arrive until the Friday morning which I promptly connected and we were back on air. Our transmitter was sent to Melbourne for repair. Unfortunately, our transmitter was irreparable as spare parts were not available as the manufacturer had closed down due to the passing of the owner. With financial help from the Community Broadcasting Foundation we had to purchase a new transmitter, however it had to come from Italy which took a few weeks to arrive, we were finally able to install it last week and disconnect and return the loan transmitter. After a few teething problems and with some fine tuning we are now up and running on our new transmitter, lets hope it lasts longer than five years.

At the same time as installing the new transmitter we have installed a UPS which gives us a 15 to 20 minute buffer in case of power loss but it also acts as a power surge protector as well.

We have installed a new presenter microphone in each studio, these are Rode microphones and are a far superior quality to the ones we had been using.

Programming

We have a new volunteer John Yeats, John is working on our broadcast computer putting programs together, he is also starting to do some sales, so hopefully we will hear some new sponsors on the air.

The Women in the Room program has commenced on air on Wednesday afternoons replacing Shirley McGrath who has passed away, the new presenters are enthusiastic and have been well trained, thank you to Pat Cranney who successfully coordinated this whole project and thank you to the Prime Ministers Department who funded the project. You can hear Women in the Room from 1.30 to 4pm every Wednesday.



40th Anniversary Lunch – Book Now! Sunday 4th June

On the 6th May 90.1 NBC FM has for 40 years, we were Sydney’s **Sunday 4th June** we are having Mortdale RSL and you are invited, the cost is \$65.00 per person which includes a buffet lunch, entertainment, lots of prizes and a raffle. Come and celebrate with us, bring your friends and family, ring 9534 2888 during business hours to book your seat.



been broadcasting continuously first suburban radio station. On a 40-year celebration at it will be from 12.30 to 4.00pm,

Even with technical hiccups everything is looking good and we are going from strength to strength.

See you next newsletter.

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CEO 90.1 NBC FM

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