



A WORD FROM OUR CHAIRPERSON

Dear Members,

Welcome to Fleurieu FM's 4th quarter of 2024 newsletter to members. With this we have just about reached the end of yet another calendar year at Fleurieu FM.

Since the date of the last newsletter, we've held our AGM and during that we said goodbye to Janet Chandler who has been our Treasurer for several years

Thank you again Janet for all your work as Treasurer and as FFM Board Member. At the same time, we welcomed two new members to our Board of Management: Pedr Jones as Treasurer and Bill Atkinson who will assist Jim on the technical side and do training of new presenters. More recently at our last board meeting, Dale S-T our Deputy Chairperson, stepped down from that role and also as a Board Member due to personal circumstances. Good news is that Dale remains as a presenter with FFM and we thank him for his work as a Board member and of course for looking after the marketing (sponsorships) side during that time Ian Totty has taken on the role as Deputy Chairperson and as far as covering Dale's marketing role is concerned, Ian and myself will cover that until a new person can be found (advertising to find someone for this role has already commenced).

A highlight of this year has been the successful recruitment of new presenters. We welcome our newest presenters Melissa Ehrhardt and Marissa Ney who are already up and running. To give you an indication of just how successful this recruitment

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effort has been for us, this week we had an 85% “active occupancy rate” of all our program slots. This is in stark contrast to what the situation was 12-18 months ago. Moreover, we currently have 2 new presenters in the wings with one of them having already started training.

Keeping our equipment in tip-top working order is an ongoing challenge, not only from the technical but also the financial side.....yes, these things cost money, sometimes a lot of it! As you know, we have recently invested a many \$ and effort in upgrading our Brown's Hill transmission tower site near Port Elliot. It was therefore somewhat ironic that our most recent issue as far as equipment is concerned, has occurred at this site. The air-conditioning unit which must keep our transmission equipment within the “right” temperature range has failed after many years of service, and we are currently in the process of replacing it. By the way, if the temperature is not controlled in this way, our transmitter will shut down and we will be off air. We will now need to even further step up our efforts to secure grant funding to replace some of our other equipment that are also approaching the end of their lifespan.

In keeping with the Board's promise of connecting more closely with our membership base, we held our Christmas social function on Saturday 7 December. These are always pleasant and very relaxed events, and it was great to catch up with so many members who you normally do not see when you come to present your show.

Thank you very much to Sue Lake who organised all the food and drinks (yet again).





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We are now amidst the outside broadcast 'peak season' and have most recently broadcasted from the Yankalilla and Port Elliot Shows. The Yankalilla event, which was a first for us, was very successful and the sound quality of the transmission from there, which was a concern we had beforehand, proved not to be an issue after all. I was also fortunate enough to do an interview there with Rebekha Sharkie MP who has been a longstanding supporter of FFM. Long story short, we will be back there next year. The Port Elliot Show was a less successful one for us this time around. Whereas day one went well, we had to abandon the broadcast early on day two due to continual power dropouts from the generator provided by the organisers. The risk of damage to our equipment due to these power surges was simply too high, so not continuing was a precautionary measure we took. We are in conversation with the organisers about how to prevent this from happening again next year. Our next upcoming outside broadcast is the New Year's Eve Pageant at Normanville which attracted thousands of people last year and at which FFM was the only "source" of music for attendees to listen to. We are looking forward to this happening again. Thank you to Ian Totty who is organising our participation.

Our members are the heart and soul of Fleurieu FM and therefore, thank you very much again for what you have contributed to the station and to our community during 2024.

I wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a great 2025.

Johan Bruwer



DON'T
FORGET TO
CHECK YOUR
PIGEONHOLE
EVERYTIME
YOU ARE IN
THE STATION
COULD BE A
POT OF GOLD
IN THERE





BENDIGO COMMUNITY BANK

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A PROUD SPONSOR OF FLEURIEU FM

Yes folks! they really do put their money where their mouth is...

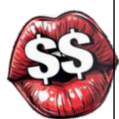


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You may not think who you bank with matters. But it does. Everyday Bendigo customers help change lives, and save lives, simply by banking with them. Their home loans are building skate and sports parks, hospital wings and classrooms. Personal loans, business banking and credit cards are funding ambulances rescue boats, disabled and aged care facilities.

Everyday banking is providing all this and more. In fact, \$366 million has been returned to communities and initiatives Australia-wide. ***The four branches on the Fleurieu (Victor Harbor, Aldinga, Willunga and Goolwa) raised 1.8 million between them...*** You need a bank to give you the products and services you need.



Bendigo needs your banking to help them make a difference.





BATTLE OF THE BROADCASTERS

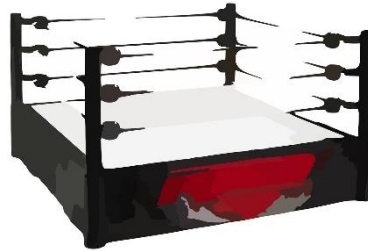
ROUND TWO

Lynne the
Lovely



28th. NOVEMBER 2024

60'S vs. 70'S



Groobs



Yes folks! It was with great pleasure that we hosted the return of the 'Battle of the Broadcasters' Round two. Round One was such a success receiving OVER 50 votes on the night that we had to do it all again..... ROUND TWO when Lynne the Lovely was doing her very best to take the 'Championship' from Groobs

"The Winner" of round one.

We can let you know that she did come in front by a very small margin Making it "ONE ALL" Look out next year when the Battle will resume....





PRESENTER PROFILE

MELISSA EHRHARDT

I was born in Phoenix, Arizona, USA.

When I was 9 years old I told my mom I was going to move to Australia one day because that's where Rick Springfield was born. 'One day' arrived in 2003 and I have lived here since, not with Rick, but with my husband, Scott, who makes a worthy substitute, as he also plays guitar and sings, just for a smaller audience.



However, before my obsession with Rick Springfield, I was enamoured with Peter Frampton (see picture). Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band starring Frampton, and the Bee Gees, became one of my favourite movies. I was quite shocked years later when I heard about a group called The Beatles who also performed the same songs! I still prefer Peter Frampton and the Bee Gees. Please don't judge me. It is what it is.



Song that always lifts me up: Let Your Love Flow - The Bellamy Brothers Favourite musical: Grease

I am a NEW presenter at fleurieu fm and love every minute of it.

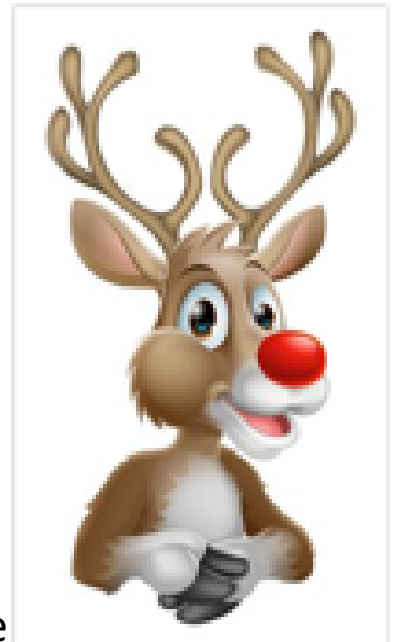
Tune in.... The Phoenix on Monday 2 – 4pm



Fleurieu fm furry friends' family

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

I'm a fictional reindeer created by Robert L. May. My name is Rudolph, and I'm the ninth and youngest of Santa Claus's reindeer. I use my luminous red nose to light the way as the reindeer team and I guide Santa's sleigh on Christmas Eve. Though I initially received ridicule for my nose as a fawn, when the other reindeers laughed and call me names and would not let me join in with any of their games. All of that changed when on one foggy Christmas eve when Santa came to see me. He said that because of my nose being so bright he would like me to guide his sleigh that night. Of course, I agreed and was so proud when the other reindeers Dasher and Dancer and Prancer and Vixen, Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen changed their tune and shouted out with glee. Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer, you'll go down in history



I love being a fleurieu fm furry friend

I would like to be a member of Fleurieu fm furry friends' family:

HUMAN MUM OR DAD'S NAME _____

MY NAME: _____ AGE: _____ BREED: _____

COLOUR: _____ PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Pleaser fill in above and return to secretary@fleurieufm.org.au or
post to: Secretary, Fleurieu FM Com. Radio, 18 Seaview Road, VICTOR HARBOR SA 5211



HORROR SCOPE



Libra (September 23 - October 22)

Balance, harmony, and justice define Libra energy. As a cardinal air sign, Libra is represented by the scales (interestingly, the only inanimate object of the zodiac), an association that reflects Libra's fixation on establishing equilibrium. Libra is obsessed with symmetry and strives to create equilibrium in all areas of life—especially when it comes to matters of the heart.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21)

Elusive and mysterious, Scorpio is one of the most misunderstood signs of the zodiac. Scorpio is a water sign that uses emotional energy as fuel, cultivating powerful wisdom through both the physical and unseen realms. In fact, Scorpio derives extraordinary courage from its psychic abilities, which is what makes this sign one of the most complicated, dynamic signs of the zodiac



Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21)



Oh, the places Sagittarius goes! But...actually. This fire sign knows no bounds. Represented by the archer, Sagittarians are always on a quest for knowledge. The last fire sign of the zodiac, Sagittarius launches its many pursuits like blazing arrows, chasing after geographical, intellectual, and spiritual adventures.



*Chris Askeu
Graeme Healey
Tod Jones
Helen Pratt*



RECIPE



BAILEYS MELTING MOMENTS

INGREDIENTS:

- 250g butter, chopped, at room temperature
- 80g (1/2 cup) icing sugar mixture, sifted, plus extra, to dust
- 2 tsp Baileys Irish Cream Liqueur

Baileys buttercream

- 80g butter, chopped, at room temperature
- 120g (2/3 cup) icing sugar mixture, sifted

METHOD

- Step 1 Preheat oven to 180°C/160°C fan forced. Line 2 baking trays with baking paper.
- Step 2 Use electric beaters to beat the butter, sugar and Baileys in a large bowl until pale and creamy. Stir in the combined flour and cornflour.
- Step 3 Use lightly floured hands to roll 2 teaspoonfuls of the mixture into a ball and place on the prepared trays. Repeat until you have rolled all the mixture, placing dough balls 3cm apart on the prepared trays. Dip a fork in flour and use to flatten cookies slightly, leaving the marks from the fork.
- Step 4 Place in the oven and bake for 14-16 minutes or until the biscuits are pale golden. Set aside for 5 minutes to cool slightly before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely.
- Step 5 Meanwhile to make the buttercream, use electric beaters to beat the butter, sugar and Baileys in a large bowl until pale and creamy.
- Step 6 Transfer the buttercream to a piping bag with a 2cm star-shaped nozzle. Pipe the buttercream over the flat side of half the biscuits. Top with remaining biscuits. Dust with extra icing sugar to serve.





PORT ELLIOT SHOW



WHAT A WONDERFUL DAY WAS HAD BY ALL AT THE PORT ELLIOT SHOW. Ian Totty was out and about with his microphone and was a particular hit with the girls..... Well done, Ian.

It's a real shame but we can't legally show photo's of children without parental permission

Maybe
future
Broadcasters
in the
making!!





Letter from the Editor

Hello everyone,

Can you believe it is December already? Time seems to fly by so fast these days. I can remember when I was a very young (I have a very good memory) thinking that December would never come, not ONLY FOR Santa's visit but for 'SCHOOL HOLIDAYS'

Well, I think we have had a very good and productive year. Lots happening what with an EGM and an AGM, a new committee, Outside broadcasts and members get together, just to mention a few. Of course, a real 'biggie' was the donation from Bendigo Community Bank and the Tower being completed and working well. I hope that you have enjoyed the newsletters and invite you to send me any article you may like me to be included in future issues. Welcome to all the new members and their families. It's so good to have you on board. Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Eat, drink and be merry as you prepare for another 12 months of 'BROADCASTING'

The Editor

