

Making Waves

Headlines & Highlights from Bristol Community 93.2fm **Dec '09/Jan 10**



Bumper Christmas and New Year edition

BCfm lends a helping hand at Christmas

BCfm's Radio Recovery show will be broadcasting to help people get safely through the Christmas period, writes presenter **Terry Clemmett**. We will be giving out information as to what services are available to people who need help, and appealing for volunteers to support St Pauls-based charity Caring at Christmas. We will be having a series of studio guests to talk about homeless issues, and recently had Big Issue workers coming in to talk about current activities. They have made a track called SKINT which I will be playing on the show.

We will also be asking our listeners to go out over the Christmas period to see if there are any people less fortunate than themselves who they could help. Our main theme for the end of the year will be 'how can I make someone else feel a little better?'

Christmas is such a tough time for lots of people who live alone or feel isolated due to addictions or alcohol problems. We are appealing to the community to look out for people who may be alone at Christmas, and to reach out to other people to share what we have to give rather than looking at what we can gain from Christmas. Thanks!

A few words from Station Manager - Phil Gibbons

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Where to start is the question? What a year we have had, and what great things to come in 2010. The big thing this year was the building of the second

Studio courtesy of the Youth Opportunities fund. Some great youth broadcasting and fantastic community based shows have all added to the most amazing output and commitment to the city. Too many good things to come so I'll save that till the next newsletter. Thanks to everyone who has given up time, been committed and have all added to the experience that is Bristol Community 93.2fm

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

BCfm gets behind the greatest Christmas song this year

Vernon's song is a great feel good song sung by homeless Big Issue seller Vernon Burgess

Listen out for it over the Christmas period on 93.2fm or better still buy it for only 79p at http://itunes.apple.com/
WebObjects/MZStore.woa/wa/
viewAlbum?id=336502405&s=143444



Vernon Burgess on Terry's show

See the video here: http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=hp3N2d7szHg

Vernon was Terry's guest on Radio Recovery recently, you can listen to the whole show here:

Www.bcfm.org.uk/wp-content/podcasts/2009112710001.mp3



Backing vocals by Belle Sorelle

Good luck Vernon





3Geese in the drink rather than on it

The Tobacco Factory in Southville Bristol

3Geese in a Fountain

3Geese have brought a whole new meaning to the phrase 'Ladies who Lunch'!

3Geese (Jo Bailey, Chrissie Lloyd and Alivia Rose), who present a show between 3-4pm each Wednesday, had a posh lunch in the fountains opposite Bristol Hippodrome in aid of BBC Children in Need on 20th November.

"It was great fun," said Alivia. "So many people were helpful, and we have already raised hundreds of pounds for Children in Need."

Joining 3Geese for a champagne toast were the Right Honourable Lord Mayor Christopher Davies, and the Lady Mayoress Mrs. Susan Davies.

3Geese were in their full evening wear, complete with tiaras, charity shop fake fur coats and wellies. tucking into Champagne and a posh lunch, supplied by Bordeaux Quay, whilst sitting in the fountains. The Bristol Marriot Royal Hotel provided changing facilities, hot drinks and a raffle prize, and local drinks company Matthew Clark provided the champagne. The stunt was granted permission

NEW SCHEDULE

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Just thought these were funny









George takes 5 to drop in to BCfm

One of Bristol's bestknown and respected personalities recently appeared on BCfm.

George Ferguson is perhaps best known as the mastermind behind The Tobacco Factory - a performing arts, café/bar and community hub in Southville. However he has also served as a Bristol City Councillor, and is one of the country's most senior architects having the ear of leaders and decision makers.

George was a recent guest on 'The Big 5'. As Bristol's answer to *Desert Island Discs*, high-profile Bristolians talk through the five moments that changed their life and select music that had a similar impact.

A variety of guests have

appeared to date. In December there'll be a special edition with the man behind Bristol homeless charity, Caring at Christmas. Further guests representing the many different aspects of Bristol life are lined up for forthcoming shows.

The Big 5 is presented by Andrew Parsonage and can be heard fortnightly on Fridays at 21:00.

Open a window to a different world

Hola Amigos de nuevo estoy aquí para informarles de cambios y noticias en nuestro show La ventana Latina.

Bueno el show ahora es transmitido todos los Domingos de 11 a 12 del día la hora en español. Ahora cuento con la gran ayuda de 3 hermosas chicas, Rosabel Portela de España , Ivonne Delgado de Colombia y también Valeria Palafox de México así que el show esta mejor dicho creciendo en popularidad .

Aprovecho la ocasión para compartir con ustedes que muy pronto el show va ha tener un bebecito ya que yo su presentadora y servidora Natalia Lyes va ser mama, pero esto no significa que los

voy a abandonar al contrario continuare con el show lo mas que sea posible.
Valga la oportunidad de este news letter para invitar a todos los que quieran tomar parte en el show que se contacten conmigo. También les quiero agradecer por su fidelidad en escucharnos cada semana.

Le quiero desear a todos que tengan una Feliz Navidad y un prospero 2010 de parte de todos los que hacemos La Ventana Latina.

And, in English...

Hello friends, here I am again to inform you about some changes and news from the Latin Window Show. The good news is that the show is now being transmitted every Sunday between 11am and

1pm. I'm delighted to inform you that lately I have had the help of 3 beautiful girls, Rosabel Portela of Spain, Ivonne Delgado of Colombia and Valeria Palafox of Mexico. Thanks to their help the show's content is more diverse and is growing in popularity.

I want to take the opportunity to share with all of you that the Latin Window is going to have a little baby since I am currently 7 months pregnant. This doesn't mean that I'm going to abandon the show; on the contrary, after a well deserved break I will be back.

Since this newsletter is going to be for Christmas I just want to wish all of you from the Latin Window a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you next year.

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Jade Yang Pang

Jade is Bristol's voice of China

Ni Hao!

I'm Jade Yang Pang, the voice from the Chinese Community in Bristol and the surrounding area. I have been hosting Chinese Connection for a few months, every Wednesday Drive Time between 5 and 7pm.

My programme covers exactly like what it suggested in its title including Weekly News in Mandarin, Chinese food, music, film, culture, people, current affairs, local and global. So whether you are Chinese or not, whether you live in Bristol or elsewhere, you are always welcome to share with us if you have any Chinese Connection.

Here is just a hint on what we have covered in my programme.

I was invited to the screening of the ghost part of the 'Unchosen' Film Festival against human trafficking on Friday 27th November at St. Stephens Church. There I had an interview with the film director Nick Broomfield. I also attended the Regional Premiere of the new children's film 'Mozart in China' as part of the Cinekids series at Watershed, and there was a Chinese Shadow Puppet Animation Workshop after the screening.

That's all for now— I look forward to sharing more Chinese Connections with you! **Zai Jian!**



My year has beenby Joanne Schofield

I'm not gonna lie to you, I've found it a tough year. My main

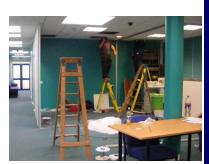
focus has been funding for the station and I've missed making



radio programmes, scheduling and working closely with all the volunteers.

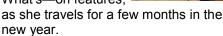
Anyway, we've had some very positive and exciting things happen, Remember this (right) Thanks to **Youth Opportunities** funding Had some great broadcasting by the young people and our new office and second studio.

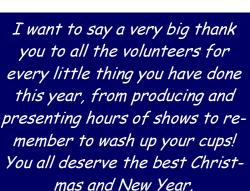
Brin (left), my dog if you didn't already know! He's yawning! I have this effect on people! there is no reason why I should include this picture, I just did, I thought it would be much more pleasant



BCfm Youth Opportunities 2nd training studio

Good luck to Harriet Robinson who worked so hard on the Youth Opportunities project, and never failed providing us each week with the BBC What's—on features.





Joanne x x x



Quartet Community Foundation have also provided us with funding for some programmes for some older people at the beginning of next year and Station Manager, Phil Gibbons has secured funding from **Media Box** for a very exciting project in the new year. So, all we can do now is keep our fingers crossed that we have done enough to convince the **BIG Lottery** we're worth investing in as that has now been posted! Phew.

BCfm's Bristol Music Show, Jelli Records & TinHut Promotions present

The 6th Bristol Acoustic Music Festival

St George's - Friday 15th - Sunday 17th January 2010 Tickets £6 per day from St George's & Bristol Ticket Shop. Acts performing:

Kid Carpet, Babel, Madness of King George, Hollowbody, Wraiths, The Cedar, North Sea Navigator, Paul Garry,

Cue Fanfare, Bashema, Beth Porter, Three Cane Whale, Slow, Rachael Dadd, Ilya, The Fauns, Rosie Garrard, Emily & The Whispers, Jacanda, Sweet Laredo, The Mandibles, Samantha Marais Band, Pepino



Steve Parkhouse

NEW SCHEDULE

The new schedule starts Monday 4th January.

Many great things happening. Check out the new schedule:

www.bcfm.org.uk



Sweet Laredo



Beth Porter



The Mandibles



Happy New Year? Tony Gosling looks forward



Kid Carpet

Bashema

As we head into what promises to be a New Year of economic, social and political crisis (not to mention a General Election) can you afford to miss BCFM Friday Drivetime?

This is the show where the movers, shakers and opinion formers of Bristol are put through their paces in a hard hitting weekly news review hosted by Tony Gosling. Alongside is pundit and Oxford economist Martin Summers. Recent guests include government minister Dan Norris MP and Bristol Council's Conservative leader Richard Eddy. For an indepth, alternative take on the stories that matter and compelling debate, BCFM Drivetime is first on the grid. With Billy Quain telling you What's On for Free over the weekend, and our roving reporter Marina Morris finding out on the streets of Bristol what you think about the issues, this is the programme everyone is talking about

Electropollution came under the microscope on Friday Drivetime in late November. And quite a scary prospect it is too. We heard about big private telecom corporations taking over the regulation of their own industry - everything from low energy light bulbs to bee colony collapse syndrome with Sarah Wight from Mast Sanity dot com.

Another recent guest was ex Oil Industry executive Ian Crane, organiser of the Alternative View conference at Bristol Thistle Hotel. Guests at the conference included Norman Baker MP (who has written an explosive book on the death of government weapons scientist Dr David Kelly) and Cynthia McKinney, ex US congresswoman, Green Party Presidential candidate and scourge of the US establishment. In July Drivetime presenter Tony Gosling (and the BCFM studio!) appeared in the BBC2 Conspiracy Files programme questioning the official story of the London bombings on 7/7.

For up-coming and previous shows check out; www.thisweek.org.uk

Many of the young people involved in BCfm this year



Radiowski: A Polish voice in the community

The Polish team has been busy producing their weekly slot on BCfm and here are some recent highlights from our show.

Political awareness

Many Polish arrivals who are non-naturalised don't realise that their vote is still significant in many elections. They're able to vote for local and European elections. Radiowski spoke to John Tyler, Electoral Services Manager, about the voter registration process in Bristol and the consequences of not registering to vote.

We've interviewed MP Kerry McCarthy, MEP Ashley Fox and Lord Mayor Christopher Davies, who were able to explain some of the nuances of political life at a local, national and European level.



Bikers' slot

For motorcycle fans we've got a monthly feature on that subject. The Bikers' slot started with a feature on the Polish Bikers' Day organised in London, and a few of our dedicated team members made their way to the capital to speak to the motorcyclists involved in that event. The feature was followed by a contest and received very good feedback from the local Polish community, so we decided to keep it as a regular slot and broadcast it monthly.

Radiowskithe English edition

From January, Radiowski is expanding its time and also its demographic. The English edition will be dedicated to, but not exclusively for, non Polish speakers interested in our culture or just simply curious about their new neighbours.



In our new show we'd also like to expand the offer to Poles who arrived to UK after World War 2 and successfully assimilated with the locals, their children who have been born and brought up in Britain but have Polish roots, and also any English speakers generally interested in getting to know bits and bobs about Poland, its culture and people.

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Podcasts — the facts! Who leads the table of downloads?

I thought it would be a good idea to publish some figures about the podcasts that we provide. In November for instance, we had a total of 6,059 downloads of our podcasts.

I think it would be really unfair to publish league tables as it is not a competition, but the top five are opposite Friday Drivetime with Tony Gosling Wednesday Drivetime with Jade Yang Pang Sunday Rock show with Jon Wisbey Radio Dialect

Radiowski — Polish show

Well done to these and everyone who is utilising the podcast facility. We are developing this part of the website in the new year, so watch this space!



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Making Waves...

...is the monthly newsletter of Bristol Community fm 93.2.

In addition to our internet site the newsletter is a way of connecting our volunteers and supporters, and sharing with the people of Bristol what we do. The newsletter is designed to reflect the wide variety of people and subjects covered by BCfm.

The next edition will appear in **February 2010**. All contributions are welcome, and should be e-mailed to newsletter@bcfm.org.uk. Please make these for the attention of Andrew Parsonage.

Note for presenters from Harriet Robinson

Don't forget to listen to or use the 'What's on' Facility that I put together weekly.

Phil and Joanne use it on their BBC show at the weekend as well as BCfm presenters throughout the week. If you have any upcoming events that you would like me to mention please email harrietrobinson1@hotmail.co.uk and I'll try my best to squeeze it in!

A Happy Christmas and New Year to all our volunteers and listeners!

A final festive thought from Mad Rich

BCFM 93.2 could be more than you can chew, so take each show as you go - not too fast in fact nice and slow.

In doin' it this way listeners will understand that your show is interesting, wonderful and grand.

With plenty of chit chat and various music, you are sure many people will use it, Not just as background like most, but will be interested that they will tune in for another dose.

So keep your pecker up and don't lose control, you could always play rock, reggae and soul, before you know it, it's all come to an end, So why worry, your radio is your friend

A Happy Christmas from Mad Rich

(More poetic gems from Rich every Thursday afternoon on BCfm)



