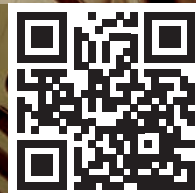




THE GOLDEN BROADCASTER

Newsletter of Golden Days Radio

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PATRON:
Peter Smith OAM

President's Message



This amazing radio station is driven by 85 special people, all volunteers.

How fortunate we are to have the very best team of Presenters and Receptionists coupled with a most professional management team, providing us with a unique social bonding.

My personal thanks to all concerned for the wonderful support given to me as President.

The year ahead continues to bring our unique brand of music to all parts of the globe. Our streaming service is certainly alive and well with so many listeners now tuning in to Golden Days Radio. Our commitment to local community events is much appreciated by our local councils and Community Group members. To all our members and dedicated listeners who continue to support the GDR Musical Fun Factory, I extend a very sincere 'thank you'.

Ian McLeod

From the Station Manager



It was so nice to meet everyone at our recent mid-year luncheon held at Huntingdale Golf Club. What a wonderful venue with great food, entertainment and fun. From the many comments we have received this could be a venue for the future.

Our station licence comes due in July next year but as is usual the CBAA give you 12 months to complete the paperwork and for them to review it. Each licence lasts for 5 years. The completion of the licence takes many months as lots of information is required to ensure that we are complying with all the regulations.

As always, a big thank you to all our volunteers in helping to keep us on the air and a special thank you to all our wonderful sponsors who take pride in allowing us to promote their products on our station.

Happy listening!

Larry James



From the Secretary

The Golden Broadcaster is just a snapshot of who we are and what we do. The music is everything and our various teams ensure we deliver every hour of every day. Please enjoy this edition of our story. Pass the word along and tell your friends to tune into the best community radio station around – yesterday's music today.

Robyn Giles



Annual General Meeting

Our next AGM is on **Wednesday 20th August at 10am**. The venue is the **Uniting Church Hall in Centre Road Bentleigh (opposite the RSL)**. We look forward to see you there.

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AROUND THE STATION



Princes Park Scouts



Shu-Cheen Yu receiving her Ambassador Award



Madeleine Swain - Madeleine At The Movies



Community Magazine - Tracey Pryor with Ian in the studio



Carol and Larry with Henrietta Horsfall



The Log Ladies - Sandra, Maryann and Lucille



Special Luncheon 11th April 2025



Volunteers Christmas Party



Sponsor Lunch June 2025



The 'Keith Irvine' & Penfold's Master Class

Welcome to our new presenters

Ben Cartwright



Tuesdays 6pm-10pm

Paul White



Tuesdays 12pm-3pm

Obituaries

The saddest part of this newsletter is losing some of our workmates at GDR. Last August we sadly mourned the passing of Shirley Pascoe. Shirley was a much loved receptionist and also served on Committee for a short period. She was a real people person.

More recently we were saddened to learn of the passing of Phil Dowse. Phil was receptionist for many years, mainly on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Phil was a true gentleman at all times. Our Saturday presenter Chris Miller sadly lost his dear wife, Robyn, in June after a long battle with cancer. So, so sad.

Also in June we were taken by surprise and shocked to learn of Heather Swift's passing. Heather was the 'Girl Friday' of Golden Days — Presenter / Receptionist / In-House Caterer / Official Lunch Organiser / Studio Tours / Committee Member. And in her spare time made literally thousands of jars of homemade jam — Raspberry, Strawberry, Fig and Ginger, Marmalade, Cumquat, Spicy Chutney. Heather was one of the kindest persons you will ever know.



Sandra, Ian & Heather

~ Vale ~

Shirley, Phil, Robyn and Heather

Listeners all over the world

Did you know that you can hear GDR on your mobile phone or computer in most countries of the world.



We often get feedback from listeners in Britain, Canada, Africa, Ireland, Columbia, America, China, Singapore and even Mongolia.

We also receive many calls from all parts of Australia.

Isn't technology fantastic? It's amazing how clear the reception can be. Everyone loves our music. In fact, each month we have between 6,500 and 7,500 listeners using our streaming service.

Email Corner



Hey GDR-Team, Congrats on your show from a Frenchman who recently moved to Montreal, Quebec, Canada. I'm enjoying your lovely radio content while watching the first snow fall. Love your music programming, 40's and 60's music were the best (says me who was born in the late 80's).

*Cheers from Romuald S. Montreal,
French Vinyl Addict*

Thank you so much, the music today is just glorious. Love streaming your station every day.

Barb, Cairns North Queensland

Thank you GDR for a magnificent and magical afternoon of music. I cannot pick out a favourite piece. Perfect.

Kay, Noosa Qld

Dear Ian,

Thank you for playing the music of Jack Harrison who was one of my closest friends, and who was to become principal clarinettist in WASO, as indeed his son in-law, I still extremely close to his daughter Jody Harrison.

My father renowned Modernist architect Iwan Iwanoff designed Jack Harrison's residence in City Beach, many of the principal artists of WASO who were to me like family.

Thank you for the memories and for perpetuating their legacy, as well as all the other artists.

Kind regards, Nicolai Iwanof

Dear GDR, I just had to write and tell you that this afternoon's choice of music is mind-blowing. Wonderful! I live in Bowral NSW.

Thank you so much, Janelle P

Hello from Chris and Jo listening from Stanley, Tasmania.

Listening in from Launceston, Tasmania. Love the station

Colin P

Thank you so much for the wonderful show and music. I listen most days, all day as I work from home. The show eases any stress I may have.

Regards, Doreen in Caulfield

Hello! My name's Curtis I'm from Cheltenham. I'm 17 years old but love this type of music, they really don't make it anymore. Keep up the hard work and keep playing this excellent music!

Big Frank Sinatra fan :)

The dreams of the Everyday Housewife 'That's us, your listeners. Your splendid selection of music does indeed renew memories of our 'heydays'. Beehive hair styles, tiny waist, with swirling skirts and petticoats. Stilettos and colour matching evening bags. Yes, those were the days.

Thank you, Golden Days.

Warm regards from Pamela and Ken in Rosanna

Great to hear Daddy Cool :) I saw them live at the Arkaba in Fullarton, SA, and Mt Gambier.

Cheers, Anthony in McKinnon

Hi there, Enjoy your afternoon. I'm at work so will try and tune in on my break time.

Katrina from Qld

Hi Jack, as usual I am waiting for your program, which I enjoy a lot. I would like to receive your greetings for my birthday, I will be 70 years old. I live in Montevideo, Uruguay (it is still Saturday for us). British and American Pop music were leading people's preferences when I was a teenager, that is why I appreciate GDR programs so much, in spite of being a Spanish native speaker.

Thank you, and as you always say, some music from the golden days will help.

Gustavo S. Montevideo

I like listening to GDR 95.7 fm the music and shows are the best. I am an "all types" of music fan. I listened from the website.

From Rodney R. Mittagong NSW

Hi there! First of all, congrats for the excellent radio station. I am from Brazil and listen to Golden Days Radio through Radio Garden. I listen day and night and at night, when I go to bed. I soften the volume, but you're mine and my wife's companion 24/7. Thank you!

Amilton A, Brazil

Hello again! Thank you for mentioning me in your program. You said: "A listener from Brazil" It's 8 p.m. here now.

Thank you for the great music this morning. I am starting my day walking along the Alexandra rail trail. Blue skies, gentle breeze through the trees, birds twittering and GDR playing gently in the background. All very nice. To you and all the listeners have a great day!

Bryce, Ringwood

Love the toe tapping, dancing delights every Wednesday night.

Bill & Jamie, Seattle USA

The Golden Days music makes our day in Hong Kong. Best wishes from

Lu, Louie & Stephen

GUESS WHO'S WHO AT OUR CHRISTMAS AND MID YEAR LUNCHEONS?



Peter, Larry and Max



Peter Thomas receives his Honorary Life Membership with Ian McLeod and Pete Smith



Joan Krutli with happy listener



Shu-Cheen Yu and Anne McLeod



Helen, Robyn and Dale



Kerin, Sandra and Robert



Prudence, Jack and Halina



Carmel and Peter



Happy trio – Peter Hird, Sam Newman and Sue Stanley



A jolly happy group



Brian and Mary



Dion Rowbottom with Pete Smith OAM



Ron Williamson, Sally White and Matt Callan at the Christmas Luncheon



Domenic La Rocca and Brian Davis



John Grace singing the blues away



Geoff & Noeline Hutton, Chris and Irene



Brian Wann



MC Larry



Carol Farman and Jenny Seville



New Years Eve Trio - Robert, Craig and Ian



GDR in the news

Robyn Riley, one of the country's most respected journalists, wrote a feature on our station which was published in the Saturday edition of the Herald Sun on the 12th October 2024.

The pictures and video were taken by top photographer Jason Edwards.

They did a wonderful job in showcasing the work of our committed volunteers.

If you didn't catch it in the paper you can download a PDF copy directly from the GDR website!

goldendaysradio.com/weekend-herald-sun-article-saturday/

Restoration of Soundcraft Panels

Early this year Engineering decided to restore the Soundcraft Panels as they have been showing wear on their working surfaces after 17 years of use.

Studio 3 was the first panel to have its modules changed to a set of modules that the Station had previously purchased as spares, that had audio equalization.

Although Studio 3 was designed to be capable of being an on-air studio It has rarely been used for this purpose and has become our dedicated Production Studio. The addition of these modules has therefore enhanced its facilities.

Both Studio 1 and Studio 2's desks have had constant use since Glen Huntly Rd Studios commenced operation in 2008, so they have highly worn panels and require the most work. The modules from Studio 3 were cleaned and placed in Studio 1 desk. Studio 1's modules levels were then reset and relabelled.

Faceplates from Studio 1 modules have been removed and cleaned back to their painted surfaces to enable the fader calibrations to be screen printed on their faces. A contractor has been found to make a screen and carry out the printing to our supplied artwork.

The sliding faders in these modules will also be replaced. Metal surrounds have also been repainted.

Restoration of Studio 2 should be completed by July. This project has been overseen by Richard Palmer, assisted by Chris La.

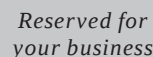
Graeme McKenzie
Engineering Manager



Chris La maintaining equipment

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