

News Update

New commercial radio licences

SYDNEY: The ABA has allocated a second commercial radio licence to broadcasters in Armidale, Inverell, Taree (NSW), Colac, Horsham (Vic), Emerald, Gympie, Longreach, Nambour (Qld) and Albany (WA). The nine licensees are:

- New England Broadcasters Pty Ltd, owner of 2AD, which will broadcast its new service 2NEB on FM 100.3 in Armidale;
- Northern Broadcasters Pty Ltd, owner of 2NZ, which will broadcast its new service 2GEM on FM 95.1 MHz in Inverell;
- Manning Valley Broadcasting Pty Ltd, owner of 2RE, which will broadcast its new service 2MVB on FM 107.3 MHz in Taree. The licence also entitles Manning Valley Broadcasting to provide a transmitter of the new service on FM 103.3 MHz at Gloucester;
- Ace Radio Broadcasters Pty Ltd, owner of 3CS, which will broadcast its new service 3CCS on FM 106.3 MHz in Colac;
- Ace Radio Broadcasters Pty Ltd, owner of 3WM, which will broadcast its new service 3WWM on FM 101.3 MHz in Horsham;
- Regional Broadcasters Australia Pty Ltd, owner of 4HI, which will broadcast its new service 4HIT on FM 94.7 MHz in Emerald;
- Gympie Noosa Broadcasters Pty Ltd, owner of

- 4GY, which will broadcast its new service 4NNN on FM 96.1 MHz in Gympie;
- Glowweir Pty Ltd, owner of 4LG, which will broadcast its new service 4LRE on FM 104.5 MHz in Longreach. The licence also entitles Glowweir to provide transmitters of the new service on FM 100.9 MHz at Barcaldine, FM 95.1 MHz at Blackall, FM 101.9 MHz at Tambo and FM 95.9 MHz at Winton;
- Sunshine Coast Broadcasters Pty Ltd, owner of 4SSS, which will broadcast its new service 4SEE on FM 91.9 MHz in Nambour; and
- Belcap Investments Pty Ltd, owner of 6VA, which will broadcast its new service 6AAY on FM 95.3 MHz in the Albany market, with a fill in transmitter operating on 106.5 Mhz in Albany town.

The fee for each licence was \$10 000. Licensees now have 12 months to get the new services up and running.

The ABA has already granted licences to commercial radio broadcasters in the following towns: Bathurst, Bega, Dubbo, Goulburn, Griffith, Gunnedah, Lithgow, Mudgee, Orange, Parkes and Young (NSW); Ballarat, Colac, Mildura, Wangaratta (Vic); Charters Towers, Innisfail, Roma (Qld); Mt Gambier (SA); Carnarvon, Esperance, Kalgoorlie, Karratha, Mandurah, Merredin, Port Hedland (WA); Queenstown (Tas) and Darwin (NT).

Temporary transmission of programs by aspirant community broadcasters

For the period 6 May to 30 May, in order of area served.

APPLICANT	AREA	FREQ.	PERIOD	DATE SIGNED
New South Wales				
Casino's Own Wireless Association	Casino	107.9	30/5/96-31/05/96	24/5/96
Cessnock Community Broadcasters	Cessnock	104.5	27/5/96-10/6/96	23/5/96
Coffs Harbour Christian Broadcasters	Coffs Harbour	106.9	26/5/96-25/6/96	23/5/96
Kandos Rylstone Community Radio	Kandos	95.5	1/6/96-16/6/96	29/5/96
Maitland Community Broadcasters Association	Maitland	104.5	18/5/96-26/5/96	15/5/96
Blacktown City Community Radio Association	Mt Druitt	100.3	18/5/96-18/8/96	15/ 5 /96
Port Stephens FM Radio	Nelson Bay	99.7	3/6/96-9/6/96	29/5/96
Canobolas Christian Broadcasters	Orange	106.7	15/5/96-31/5/96	9/5/96
Mid North Coast Christian Broadcasters	Port Macquarie	106.3	29/5/96-28/06/96	23/5/96
Port Stephens FM Radio Inc.	Port Stephens	99.7	6/5/96-12/5/96	3/5/96
Victoria				
Central Victorian Gospel Radio Inc.	Harcourt	104.7	2/6/96-30/6/96	29/5/96
RMIT Student Radio Association	Melbourne	94.9	14/5/96-12/6/96	9/5/96
Wangaratta Community Radio Association	Wangaratta	105.7	3/6/96-9/6/96	29/5/96
South Australia				
Encounter FM Community Broadcasters	Victor Harbor	89.3	3/6/96-9/6/96	30/5/96
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