

ABA invites applications for new community radio licences

The Australian Broadcasting Authority has invited applications for new community radio broadcasting licences for the Blackwater and Moranbah areas of Queensland, and the Horsham area of Victoria.

"Following completion of the Emerald and Horsham radio licence area plans the ABA is pleased to commence allocating community radio licences for Blackwater, Moranbah and Horsham," said Professor David Flint, ABA Chairman. "The planning process identified a demand for one new community service operated by people living in each of these areas."

Applicants should contact the ABA's Licensing Section on 1800 226 667 or (02) 9334 7700 for copies of the application information booklet for Blackwater, Moranbah or Horsham. General information is also available on the ABA's web site at: www.aba.gov.au/radio/services/licence_types/community/alloc.htm

Blackwater, Queensland

Applications for the licence must be received before midnight on Monday 14 April 2003. The ABA will not accept any applications lodged after this date. From Monday 28 April 2003, copies of all applications received will be placed for public perusal on the ABA's website at: www.aba.gov.au/radio.

Copies of all applications received will also be made available for public perusal at Blackwater Library.

The ABA welcomes written submissions from members of the public in relation to the applications received. Submissions should be lodged with the ABA by 5.00 pm on Monday 12 May 2003. Submissions can also be lodged via email to info@aba.gov.au.

Moranbah, Queensland

Applications for the licence must be received before midnight on Thursday 17 April 2003. The ABA will not accept any applications lodged after this date. From Thursday 1 May 2003, copies of all applications received will be placed for public perusal on the ABA's website at: www.aba.gov.au/radio.

Copies of all applications received will also be made available for public perusal in the Moranbah Library.

The ABA welcomes written submissions from members of the public in relation to the applications received. Submissions should be lodged with the ABA by 5.00 pm on Thursday 15 May 2003. Submissions can also be lodged via email to info@aba.gov.au.

Horsham, Victoria

Applications for the licence must be received before midnight on Tuesday 15 April 2003. The ABA will not accept any applications lodged after this date. From Tuesday 29 April 2003, copies of all applications received will be placed for public perusal on the ABA's website at: www.aba.gov.au/radio.

Copies of all applications received will also be made available for public perusal in the Wimmera Regional Library, Horsham.

Copies of any letters of support included with applications and subsequent support letters received by the ABA will not be displayed on the web site or in libraries but can be made available for inspection on request. Anyone who has concerns about public access to their personal details should advise the ABA to treat this information as confidential.



Temporary community broadcasting licences

Allocated 15 March 2003 - 16 April 2003

Area served	Licensee	Frequency	Period	Date allocated
NSW				
Wollongong RA2	Hellenic Australian Radio Inc	93.3	01/05/2003 to 31/07/2003	09/04/2003
Lismore RA2	North Coast Radio Incorporated	92.9	01/04/2003 to 31/03/2004	24/03/2003
QLD				
Moranbah RA1	Rock FM Association Inc.	96.9	01/05/2003 to 31/08/2003	08/04/2003
Tiaro RA1	Tiaro Community Centre Inc	103.1	01/05/2003 to 31/07/2003	15/04/2003

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