



# News Update

## Variations to licence area plans for Cairns and Innisfail

The ABA is proposing to vary the radio licence area plans for Cairns and Innisfail. The proposed variations relate to the technical conditions for new open narrowcasting services for Cairns and Innisfail and for the existing community radio service 4CCR Cairns.

The radio licence area plans for Cairns and Innisfail were determined in October and November 1996 respectively. The plans made channels available for an open narrowcasting radio service in each of Cairns and Innisfail. The plans also made a channel available for the 4CCR service to move frequency. The channel made available in Innisfail for an open narrowcasting service (801 kHz) is currently used by the National Transmission Agency (NTA) for a national service in Cairns. The NTA has revised its previous advice that it would no longer need this frequency and has requested the frequency not be made available in Innisfail. 4CCR has revised its previous request and no longer wishes to change frequency. The ABA would not ordinarily vary a licence area plan in this situation. However, due to the need to make the 801 kHz channel available in Cairns, the ABA is proposing to also change the frequency determined for the 4CCR service.

The ABA is seeking public comment on applications for a community radio broadcasting licence to serve the Albury area of NSW.

The ABA received two applications for the licence, from Albury-Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. and Association for the Blind.

A public file, containing the applications and other relevant information is available for inspection at Albury City Library, tel (02) 6041 6633 and Wodonga City Library, tel (02) 6055 9224.

## New community radio licence for Derby, WA

The ABA has allocated a community radio licence for Derby, WA.

The licence was allocated to Derby Media Aboriginal Corporation and the new service will broadcast on 97.9 MHz on the FM band.

The licensee has 12 months to get the new service up and running.

The ABA has allocated this licence consultation with the people of the local community to seek their views on what additional broadcasting services were needed in their area.

The proposed Derby Aboriginal Media

Corporation service will operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and will initially be made up of programming from Broome Aboriginal Media Association, which was allocated a community radio licence in August 1997 to serve Broome, WA and from Wangki Yupurnanpurru Aboriginal Corporation, which was allocated a community broadcasting licence in May 1997 to serve Fitzroy Crossing, WA. The programming from these services is expected to include daily current affairs/news bulletins covering local/regional/national news, children/youth programs, local Aboriginal language and culture programs, and magazine shows with an Aboriginal focus.

## Metropolitan radio submissions

Earlier this year, the ABA held discussions with existing and aspirant broadcasters in the mainland metropolitan markets and surrounding regional markets.

At the end of April, the ABA invited interested parties to submit evidence in support of their proposals.

To date, the ABA has received 428 submissions. The breakdown is as follows:

Brisbane area:	177
Sydney area:	128
Melbourne area:	65
Adelaide area:	33
Perth area:	25

All submissions are available for public inspection at the ABA's Canberra office. Those interested in inspecting the submissions should contact Mike Salloom on tel: (02) 6256 2821.

Arrangements are being finalised with the Australian Communications Authority to make copies of the submissions available for inspection at each of the Authority's capital city offices, except Sydney. In Sydney, copies of the submissions will be available for inspection at the ABA library, while an index of submissions will be available on the ABA's web site <www.aba.gov.au>. These arrangements are expected to be in place by mid September.

## Temporary community broadcasting licences

Issued for radio broadcasters in the period 1 July 1998 to 31 July 1998, in order of area served.

Licensee	Area served	Frequency	Period	Issue date
Australian Capital Territory				
ArtSound FM	Canberra	103.1	1.8.98 - 31.1.99	28.7.98
Canberra Christian Radio Ltd	Canberra	107.1	1.8.98 - 31.1.99	24.7.98



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<i>Licensee</i>	<i>Area served</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Issue date</i>
<b>Australian Capital Territory (cont.)</b>				
Country Music Collective Inc.	Canberra	103.1	1.8.98 - 31.1.99	28.7.98
Ethnic Broadcasters of ACT (EBC)	Canberra	103.1	1.8.98 - 31.1.99	28.7.98
Radio Antenna International FM Inc.	Canberra	107.1	1.8.98 - 31.1.99	28.7.98
<b>New South Wales</b>				
Bathurst Christian Broadcasters	Bathurst	100.1	1.8.98 - 31.8.98	31.7.98
Bega Access Radio Inc.	Bega	93.7	23.7.98 - 22.1.99	17.7.98
Muda Aboriginal Corporation	Bourke	106.5	10.7.98 - 30.11.98	9.7.98
Southern Mountain Media Inc.	Bowral	99.5	17.7.98 - 31.1.99	16.7.98
Central Hunter Community Broadcasters Inc.	Cessnock	96.5	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Newcastle Christian Broadcasters Ltd	Cessnock	96.5	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Coffs Harbour Christian Broadcasters Inc.	Coffs Harbour	106.3	1.7.98 - 30.9.98	30.6.98
Holiday Coast Community Radio	Coffs Harbour	107.1	25.7.98 - 30.9.98	23.7.98
Warrumbungles Community Broadcasting Association Inc.	Dubbo	99.5	1.8.98 - 31.7.99	31.7.98
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MacLeay Valley Community FM Radio	Kempsey	103.1	1.8.98 - 28.2.99	29.7.98
Living Sound Broadcasters Ltd	Kiama	94.1	19.7.98 - 19.1.99	16.7.98
Lake Waves FM Community Radio Inc.	Morisset	97.3	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Port Stephens FM Radio Inc.	Morisset	97.3	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Mt Helen FM and TV Upper Hunter and Liverpool Plains Community Broadcasting & Tourism Association Inc.	Murrurundi	107.3	15.7.98 - 27.9.98	14.7.98
Mt Helen FM and TV Upper Hunter and Liverpool Plains Community Broadcasting & Tourism Association Inc.	Muswellbrook	101.7	15.7.98 - 27.9.98	14.7.98
Lake Waves FM Community Radio Inc.	Nelson Bay	97.3	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Port Stephens FM Radio Inc.	Nelson Bay	97.3	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Central Hunter Community Broadcasters Inc.	Newcastle	96.5	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Newcastle Christian Broadcasters Ltd	Newcastle	96.5	1.7.98 - 27.9.98	30.6.98
Nimmitabel Community Radio Group	Nimmitabel	96.9	1.7.98 - 31.12.98	30.6.98
Sydney Youth Radio Inc.	Sydney	94.5	4.8.98 - 2.9.98	31.7.98
Underground Broadcasting Inc.	Sydney	96.9	27.7.98 - 5.9.98	17.7.98
Manning Great Lakes Christian Broadcasters Inc.	Taree	103.3	1.7.98 - 30.6.99	30.6.98
<b>Victoria</b>				
Dance Club Broadcasters Inc.	Melbourne	89.9	13.7.98 - 9.8.98	13.7.98
Golden Days Radio For Senior Citizens Inc.	Melbourne	95.7	1.7.98 - 31.12.98	30.6.98
JOY Melbourne Independent Community Broadcasters	Melbourne	90.7	3.8.98 - 6.9.98	31.7.98
La Trobe Union Radio Inc.	Melbourne	91.5	1.8.98 - 12.9.98	31.7.98
Monash University Union Radio Inc.	Melbourne	95.7	3.8.98 - 31.12.98	31.7.98
SRA (Student Radio Association)	Melbourne	94.9	3.8.98 - 4.9.98	31.7.98
Dance Club Broadcasters Inc.	Melbourne	89.9	13.7.98 - 9.8.98	13.7.98
<b>Queensland</b>				
Suncoast Community Radio Inc.	Buderim	104.9	10.7.98 - 31.12.98	9.7.98
Christian Air Broadcasters Association Inc.	Gold Coast	95.7	1.8.98 - 30.9.98	30.7.98
Cool FM Community Radio Association Inc.	Gold Coast	100.1	1.7.98 - 31.12.98	30.6.98
Hott FM Ltd	Gold Coast	94.9	1.8.98 - 30.9.98	30.7.98
Radio Hope Island Ltd	Gold Coast	94.9	1.8.98 - 30.9.98	30.7.98
Cooloola Christian Radio Association Inc.	Gympie	94.5	25.7.98 - 31.12.98	24.7.98
Wide Bay Christian Broadcasters Association Inc.	Maryborough	105.1	3.7.98 - 30.11.98	1.7.98
Toowoomba Christian Broadcasters Assoc Inc.	Toowoomba	92.9	1.8.98 - 31.10.98	30.7.98
Community Radio of Wondai Association Inc. (CROW)	Wondai	90.7	1.7.98 - 31.3.99	30.6.98
<b>Western Australia</b>				
Heritage FM Inc.	Gosnells	93.7	1.7.98 - 31.12.98	30.6.98
<b>Tasmania</b>				
Cadence FM Inc.	Hobart	99.3	27.7.98 - 26.7.99	24.7.98