

A photograph of a man and a woman at an awards ceremony. The man, on the left, is wearing a black tuxedo with a white shirt and a black bow tie. He has short brown hair and glasses, and is smiling. The woman, on the right, has blonde hair and is wearing a black spaghetti-strap dress, a pearl necklace, and a bracelet. She is also smiling. They are standing behind a clear acrylic podium. The background is dark.

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FRONT COVER STORY:

Paul Robinson and Carol Kirkwood
compere the 2007 National
Hospital Rad Awards

See page 14 and 15 for pictures of
the winners



hi everyone,

Boots seem to be the order of the day – not Boots the Chemist – but boots to wear – and kinky boots at that. The Award ceremony in Northampton was certainly no down at heel affair – but a slick, glitzy performance that we have come to expect from the Dave Nicholson and Chris Cook team. Congratulations to them for five outstanding Awards ceremonies – your successors will certainly have a hard act to follow.

Dave is in reflective mood on page 6 when he looks back over the last five years.

You can get a taster of the Awards inside and I would like to offer my sincere thanks to Garry Lakin, Geoff Fairburn and Mike Skinner for the photographs.

Just as we were going to print, I received notification that the Radio Academy is now offering free membership to individual members of the HBA.

Volunteers can register on their website www.radioacademy.org. Once your email address has been verified, you can enrol as members. Don't forget to check the HBA box.

Please don't forget to keep the reports coming.

Michelle

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Committee Report

National Hospital Radio Awards

Congratulations to all those stations and individuals recognised in this year's National Hospital Radio Awards. If all goes to plan, CDs of the top three in each category are included with this copy of 'On Air'. You can also listen to the winners online via our website. Please do take the time to listen to and learn from the winning entries – and, if you haven't already started, start collecting material for next year's awards now!

Dave Nicholson and Chris Cook have said that, after staging the awards competition and ceremony for five years, they are standing down.

By the time you read this, the Executive Committee will have discussed the strategy for awards over the next few years and provided our Events subcommittee with guidance as to which direction it would like to see the awards take.

However, if you have any specific comments or suggestions (and especially if you'd like to offer your services), I'm sure the Events subcommittee would like to hear from you.

Strategic Review

As I write this, we're awaiting the final version of the CAF consultant's 'health-check' on the HBA.

On behalf of the whole Executive Committee, I'd like to thank those of you who took part in the workshop on the strategic direction for HBA at



by Nigel Dallard, Secretary

the Spring Conference. It was very useful to get direct feedback from hospital broadcasters as to what you think the HBA should be doing. This input is being used, along with the output of a couple of workshops the consultant has run with the Executive Committee, to drive the discussions within a small working party tasked with proposing fundamental changes to how HBA is run and what it does.

We hope to have a consultation document out to all members over the summer and intend to propose a motion setting the way forward at the AGM.

Assuming this motion is passed, we will aim to call an Extraordinary

General Meeting at the Spring 2008 Conference to make the necessary amendments to the HBA's Articles of Association.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or comments, please get in touch.

Membership Renewals

Members have until 1st June to renew their membership of the HBA. After that, a new application for membership will need to be made. The Executive Committee have no discretion with regards this – the firm cut-off date is written into the Articles of Association.

Those stations who have paid should, by now, have received their membership certificate.

If you haven't, please contact us via membership@hbauk.com.

Website

Hopefully you will have visited our new website. If you haven't please do go and take a look – www.hbauk.com.

The new site allows every member of every member station to have their own login and to gain access to members-only material, select whether you wish to receive e-mails from HBA, etc, etc.

When you register with the site, an e-mail will be sent to your station's HBA contact asking him/her to verify your affiliation with that station. Once your affiliation has been confirmed, you're in!

If you have questions or comments, please direct them to Mark Venus – webmaster@hbauk.com.

Mike Skinner is trying to put together a complete collection of On Air magazines.

The ones he is outstanding are editions:

**40/44/45/46/47/48/50/
51/53/54/55/57/58/59/
60/63/64/67/68**

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**Please reply to Mike at
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A promotional graphic for 'tv & radio Stars'. It features a black background with a white border. At the top, the text 'tv & radio Stars' is written in a stylized font, with a red star icon. Below this, the text 'Be seen by Radio and TV's most influential producers and casting directors' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Underneath, there is a list of bullet points: '• Broadcasters', '• Presenters', '• Casting Directors', and '• Job Opportunities'. At the bottom, the website address 'www.tvandradiostars.co.uk' is displayed in a white, sans-serif font. The background of the graphic shows a blurred image of people in a studio setting.

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Ahh ... the annual Hospital Radio Awards ... highlight of Spring Conference ... hospital broadcasting's night of the year.

Welcome to Northampton's Park Inn Hotel, where the great dining room is bedecked in black and silver with the insignia of famous labels such as Calvin Klein and Dolce and Gabbana. Has Dave Nicholson won over some top class sponsors? No, as it happens but the great and the good from the world of hospital broadcasting – and my mates from Hospital Radio Therapy – are gathered in our best suits and frocks for the annual awards.

And what a conference it's been. We reflect as we chomp through the gala dinner menu: four cheese tart with sweet pepper salsa to start, rosemary-studded leg of lamb, superglue strength sticky toffee pudding. This is the stuff that conference memories are made of.

Arrival on the Friday afternoon – the customary five circuits of the one-way system while my co-pilot looked in vain for the hotel on a street map of Nottingham. A warm welcome from Marie and Jan on the conference desk, then up to our room to scan the conference programme and the all-important delegate list, check the number of towels in the bathroom and whether there's a mini-bar. There isn't but thank you conference team for a top-class goodie bag complete with Pringles and a Toblerone. There's even a free tie for anyone whose own neckwear is still hanging on the bedroom door at home (where it was hung so they wouldn't forget it). Unfortunately the suit is still hanging there too.

We've arrived too late for the Friday afternoon station visits (again!), so it's down to check out the bar and to see who's around, then to dinner, where three tasty and satisfying courses set the standard for the weekend. If they ever surveyed delegates on the three things that make a great conference, then I suspect the result would be (1) the food, (2) price of drinks, and er ... (3) everything else.

So, to the cultural highlights of the weekend:

(1) Friday night's entertainment was a music and general knowledge quiz, hosted by Chris Berezai and his glamorous assistants, Jenny and Paul. If the fashion police ever discover how many mid-1980s one-hit wonders can be named by the average hospital broadcaster, we will be in jail. In mitigation, at least we all now know that they use the Euro in Slovenia. And

Cultural Learnings of Northampton make Benefit for Glorious Community of Hospital Broadcasters

by Anne Tenor



Charles Nove of the BBC, resplendent in his boots

so now does Chris Berezai. Isn't the Internet marvellous?

(2) 3.45am Saturday morning and somewhere in the hotel car park we hear two gentlemen earnestly suggesting that the other one should depart the vicinity forthwith, using only two words (second one 'off') repeatedly over the course of about 20 minutes. This disturbance was followed by a quick round of 'name that tune' as what I think was Nickelback's 'How You Remind Me' belted out from a local club at top whack. Six hours earlier and I'd have scored two points for that.

(3) Saturday morning's seminar

programme – so little time and so many really meaty subjects to cover. Where do you start when the choice comes down to Ofcom revealing 'The Future of Radio'; being prepared for a medical emergency in the studio with the 'Save A Life' course, or learning CMA (cover my back) with 'How Not To Get Sued', not to mention putting more variety in your schedule with 'Programme Sharing' and not forgetting the trade show to ensure you spend your funds wisely, Hospital Radio Goodies' clearance sale to take care of the small change and a man enticing you into a dark room to show you the new HBA web site? Answer, bring a team of delegates from your station and you can go to them all!

(4) Whilst the usual suspects observed the traditional Saturday afternoon pilgrimage to some obscure local football fixture, those at the informal general meeting found it was followed by a workshop at which the next three years' direction and strategy of the HBA was entrusted to groups of us arranged in circles, like Alcoholics Anonymous with name badges.

(5) The Awards presentation often takes its theme from the locality but was the HBA really ready for 'Kinky Boots'? I was hoping for Patrick MacNee and Honor Blackman but instead it was the more recent film of that name concerning a Northampton footwear company that revived its fortunes with thigh-high footwear for transvestites.

So – cue the assembled company of male presenters taking to the stage in topical footwear and some sights to behold, although from my seat the lasting impression was of sparkly fishing waders or perhaps sequin-covered boots for civil war re-enactors on a night out. But hey, you've got to try these things and maybe we can have leather catsuits next year?

Saturday night blurs into Sunday morning and as dawn breaks on the final day of conference, the top award winners sleep the sleep of the righteous – only concerned about how to carry home their new crystal-ware. The rest of us are hatching plans for domination of next year's awards – or simply trying to find a clean t-shirt to wear down to breakfast.

Once again, the HBA served up a great conference at Northampton.

All too soon, Sunday lunch was over, the raffle prizes collected and conference is over for another six months.

National Hospital Radio Awards

Those of you who were at the Awards show in Northampton will know that I announced that Chris Cook, the team and myself were standing down from producing the event.

Afterwards many of you asked me why. The answer is that after five years we felt it was time for someone else to take the mantle. Also, organising and producing the National Hospital Radio Awards is very time consuming and very expensive.

On these pages of On Air are some photographs from the past shows and while you look at them, let me take you back to the Scarborough Autumn conference.

There I was minding my own business when the then Chief Executive and his Deputy, Steve Allen and John Newstead, cornered me in the bar and bought me a drink. I should have suspected then that something was afoot! And it was ...

How would you like to organise next year's Hospital Radio Awards was the question. If my memory is correct, I had just got over a throat infection and was on antibiotics. Well, those mixed with this unexpected drink must have made me loose my marbles as I said, without a thought of what was involved, yes.

I might point out that I had never produced anything like this before.

So where did I start? The first thing was to give it a fresh look are more importantly bring our Awards to the attention of the media, as I felt we hadn't had much publicity since the days of the presentations at the BT Tower and broadcast on BBC Radio 2.

So I approached a number of people who worked in the industry and asked if they would judge the Awards for us. If you recall in previous years, it was always the job of the EC.

The next was the cost. My first year was made easy, as I knew I would have the donation from PPL to cover the cost of the event.

Then there was the show itself. This is when I turned to Chris Cook for help. Chris had worked with me four years at Radio Tyneside and I knew he was the ideal man for the job. Also he was working at the BBC in London and I knew he had a number of contacts.

Chris relished the idea of producing the show and having been put in touch with COSMIC, the company who built the sets along with lighting and sound, he was off.

I had no idea what he had in mind for that night at the Marriott Hotel in Slough/Windsor.

Entries came in hard and fast, judging was done, trophies purchased



Oh What Memories!

and certificates produced.

It was decided to get some well known faces to present the Awards so favours were called in and along with Chris's contacts we had Carol Kirkwood, Chris Jarvis, Alan Dedicoat and Clive Warren. Who was to host the event? We lined up Lorraine Kelly through my contact Paul Robinson.

As it happened, Lorraine's agent had got the wrong date, which resulted in her not being able to be there. What happened? Paul Robinson was drafted in as her replacement.

I remember the Friday evening of that weekend watching all this equipment being installed at the hotel and wondering what Chris was up to. The team from COSMIC worked throughout the night and the next morning Chris took me through to the ballroom to have look at the set. My first words were 'Are we producing the Eurovision Song Contest?'

Well, I think the rest is history. The new look National Hospital Radio Awards was a great success with everyone thoroughly enjoying themselves and many bottles of wine being consumed.

So what happens next in 2004 was the next question. Yes, I was again tasked with organising the Awards for Leeds.

You the members at the 2003 AGM said you wanted us to continue with the shows, the only problem I had was that PPL had indicated that they had no objection to part of their donation being used for Awards but didn't want the whole amount being used for the event.

So sponsorship of the Awards was sought and CBBC, IRN, Real Radio and Radio Aire came on board and as a

result another great evening was had by all.

By this time, I think the EC was quite happy for me to continue producing the event, the only problem was that it was becoming more expensive each year and the 2005 Awards were to be held in Belfast!

Well I shouldn't have needed to worry thanks to the sterling work by Eileen Manion, Davey Downes and Don Bannister over in Northern Ireland.

The conference weekend was a sell out and the entries for Awards exceeded previous years. One thing sticks in my mind that year – the ice sculpture! I don't think anyone attending didn't have the picture taken with that sculpture.

Onto Blackpool and Chris and I decided this was to be our last. The workload was getting very heavy, the costs were going up and sponsorship was becoming more difficult.

But you know, you get into the organising of something which turns out to be a huge success on the evening and you say, 'OK we'll do another year'.

The only problem bothering me was the cost and at Blackpool we didn't cover all of them with our sponsorship.

We did decide that Northampton was to be the last one for us. Again Chris organised a great show which appeared to be enjoyed by all. It was nice to get back some of the guests who were at our first show in Slough/Windsor.

It was a sad night for us both but we felt we had gone as far as we could and it was time for someone else to take on the task at Leeds.

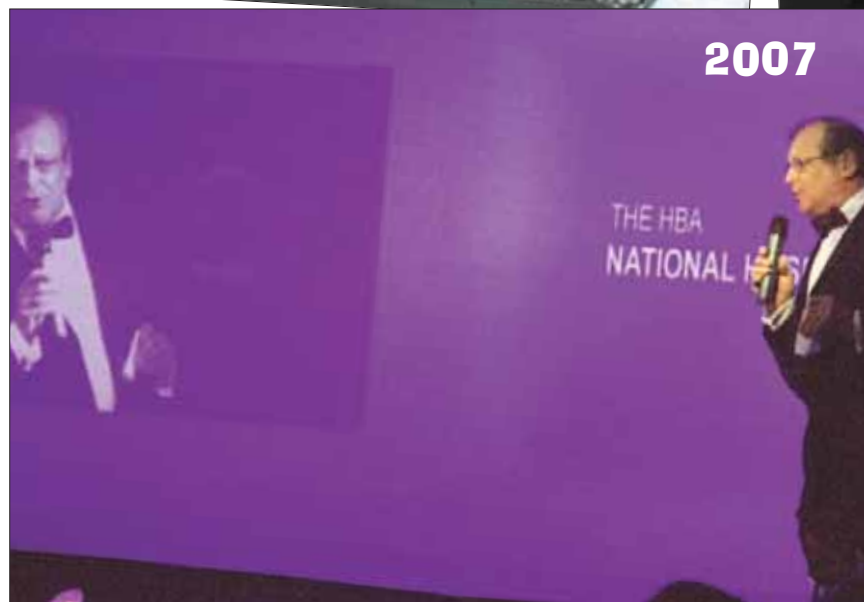
Also, this year we made a huge loss as we couldn't get the sponsorship, losing CBBC and Five Live was a big blow. I would like to say thanks to John Watson who tried hard to get a main sponsor for the whole event, which sadly fell at the last hurdle.

I would also like to thank everyone who spoke to me after the show, thanking us for our hard work and also the letters received from a number of stations.

So what happens next year? I am sure there is someone able to continue the standard of Awards we have had over the past five years. We need a main sponsor as we had with BT many years ago, so if you have any contacts let the EC know as soon as possible. But to whoever takes over, remember, Awards preparation starts in August and is constant up until the night itself.

Good luck to those taking on the task!

National Hospital Radio Awards



National Hospital Radio Awards

STATION OF THE YEAR

2007 Shortlist:

Hospital Radio Basingstoke
Hospital Radio Chelmsford
Harrogate Hospital Radio
Northern Air
Hospital Radio Perth
Radio Redhill
Rookwood Sound
Victoria Radio Network
Radio West Middlesex
Radio Ysbyty Glan Clwyd

GOLD: Hospital Radio Perth

SILVER: Victoria Radio Network

BRONZE: Radio West Middlesex

Highly commended:

Rookwood Sound
Hospital Radio Chelmsford

The entry should give the judges an insight into the station, the hospital(s) you broadcast to, style of presentation and programme content. You should also include material from any special programmes or events covered over the previous 12 months.

Previous winners:

- Hospital Radio Chelmsford
- Radio Redhill
- Radio Addenbrooke's
- Auckland MR
- Bath Hospital Radio

MALE PRESENTER OF THE YEAR

2007 Shortlist:

Dave Bee, Northern Air
John Carstairs, Victoria Radio Network
Gerard Conway, Hillingdon HR
Iain Hart, Valley Park Radio
Dave Hudson, Kingstown Radio
Dave Lockyer, Valley Park Radio
John Murray, Victoria Radio Network
Phil Smith, Rugby Hospital Radio
Mike Taylor, Radio General
Dave Webber, Choice Radio
John Murray, Victoria Radio Network

GOLD: John Murray
Victoria Radio Network

SILVER: Gerard Conway
Hillingdon Hospital Radio

BRONZE: Mike Taylor, Radio General

Highly commended:

Iain Hart, Valley Park Radio
Dave Lockyer, Valley Park Radio

You are required to submit an entry showing the diversity of your presentation and awareness of your



listeners. You should include as many different on air clips as you can and not necessarily from the same programme. The judges in previous years have been impressed by interviews presenters have done with both personalities and patients. They also look for presenters who don't sound exactly like those broadcasting on local commercial and BBC local studios. The maximum length of this entry should be five minutes.

Previous winners:

- David Reece, Radio Northwick Park
- Alex Grundon, Whitechapel AM
- John Murray, Victoria Radio
- David Moran, Presenter of the Year
- Steve Catchpole, Maidstone HR
- Paul Travill, Presenter of the Year

FEMALE PRESENTER OF THE YEAR

2007 Shortlist:

Sheila Aly, Radio Northwick Park
Brenda Bishop, HR Chelmsford
Natasha Braybrook, Riverside Radio
Diane Clarke, HR Tunbridge Wells
Laura Haldane, Victoria Radio Network
Sandy Iliff, Radio Fox
Anita Jaynes, Bath HR
Mary McDonnell, HR Bedford
Brenda Massie, Grampian HR
Cecily Woolf, Coastway HR

GOLD: Sandy Iliff, Radio Fox

SILVER: Sheila Aly, Radio Northwick Park

BRONZE: Diana Clarke, Hospital Radio Tunbridge Wells

Highly commended:

Natasha Braybrook, Riverside Radio
Mary McDonnell, Hospital Radio Bedford

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Previous winners:

- Diane Clarke, HR Tunbridge Wells
- Rebecca Devally, Whitechapel AM
- Faye Grantham, HR Chelmsford
- Clare Hunter, HR Chelmsford

SPECIAL EVENT

2007 Shortlist:

HR Barnet, The Red Arrows
Radio Fox, Leicester Divali
Radio General, Visit by Time Team TV programme
Kendal HR, A Walk up Scafell Pike
HR Perth, Perth Christmas Lights
Radio Redhill, Edenbridge and Oxted Show
Ridgeway Radio, Opening of New studios and 40th birthday celebrations
Rookwood Sound, Visit to HMS Monmouth
Radio Tyneside, The Victoria Walk
Victoria Radio Network, 35 years of Hospital Broadcasts

GOLD: Hospital Radio Perth, Perth Christmas Lights

SILVER: Radio Redhill, Edenbridge and Oxted Show

BRONZE: Radio Tyneside, The Victoria Walk

Highly commended:

Rookwood Sound
Hospital Radio Barnet

In previous years the judges have looked for entries that have brought a flavour of the event or occasion to the hospital bedside. The maximum length should be 15 minutes.

Previous winners:

- Radio Cavell
- HR Plymouth
- Radio Redhill
- Southern Sound/Victoria Infirmary Radio
- Radio Tyneside

SPEECH PACKAGE

2007 Shortlist:

Bath HR, The William Budd Unit

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HR Bedford, Film Track
Radio Cherwell, Visit to a Cookery School
Kendal HR, Interview with Janis Ian
HR Perth, One of the Few
Radio Redhill, Fanny's Farmshop
Rookwood Sound, Barry Island Discs
Victoria Radio Network, Interview with Gordon Brown
Whitechapel AM, Bethnal Green Tube Disaster
Winchester HR, Interview with Dr Adam Onyatt

GOLD: Whitechapel AM, Bethnal Green Tube disaster
SILVER: Victoria Radio Network, Interview with Gordon Brown
BRONZE: Hospital Radio Perth, One of the Few

Highly commended:
Kendal Hospital Radio
Winchester Hospital Radio

The entry should not include presenters reading extracts from newspapers or books. All material must have originated from the station's volunteers and not from any other source. The judges in the past have looked for material that has kept the attention of the listener. This entry should be five minutes maximum.

Previous winners:

- Hospital Radio Chelmsford
- Whitechapel AM
- Radio Brockley
- Radio Redhill
- Radio Witham

BEST NEWCOMER

2007 Shortlist:
Howard Copitch, Northern Air
John Elwood, Riverside Radio
Tom Foster, HR Chelmsford
Alex Ganotis, Northern Air
Lawrie Jordan, Whitechapel AM
Brandsby Macdonald Williams, Ward Radio
Nabila Pathan, Whitechapel AM
Gary Richardson, Coastway HR
Victoria Sill, Ward Radio
Mike Woodhouse, Kingstown Radio

GOLD: Victoria Sill, Ward Radio
SILVER: Nabila Pathan, Whitechapel AM
BRONZE: Lawrie Jordan, whitechapel AM

Highly commended:
Mike Woodhouse, Kingstown Radio
Howard Copitch, Northern Air

This entry should be from a hospital volunteer who has started presenting within the last two years. You should be able to show the judges how you communicate with your listeners. Include as much diverse material as you can. For instance, if you have done any interviews, read news or reported on sport, include them in your entry.

Previous winners:

- Gerard Conway, Hillingdon HR
- Mark Bexley, Harrogate HR

SPECIALISED MUSIC

2007 Shortlist:
Bath Hospital Radio, Country
HR Bedford, Jazz Hour
Radio Cavell, Rock n Roll
Radio Cherwell, Military Music
Grampian HR, Vintage Years
Kingstown Radio, Tom Robinson Country
Riverside Radio, Motown Night
Rookwood Sound, Across wide open spaces
Rugby HR, Elvis Uncharted
Victoria Radio Network, Blues and Stuff

GOLD: Rugby Hospital, Radio, Elvis Uncharted
SILVER: Grampian Hospital Radio, Vintage Years
BRONZE: Victoria Radio Network, Blues and Stuff

Highly commended:
Riverside Radio Motown Night
Bath Hospital Radio, Country

This entry can be submitted from a presenter who presents a programme away from mainstream music. It could be jazz, classical, country or religious.

The judges in the past have looked not only for style of presentation and knowledge but also other material.

Previous winners:

- Riverside Hospital Radio
- Rugby Hospital Radio
- * Inverness Hospital Radio
- Radio Link
- Hospital Radio Perth

SPORTS OUTPUT

2007 Shortlist:
Bridge FM
Radio Cavell
Radio Cherwell
Radio Fox
Radio General
Kingstown Radio
HR Perth
Ridgeway Radio

Rookwood Sound
HR Tunbridge Wells

GOLD: Radio Cherwell
SILVER: Kingstown Radio
BRONZE: Radio Cavell

Highly commended:
Radio Fox
Radio General

This entry should include both studio produced material and that from outside events. The judges have in the past looked for the diversity of sports covered and the contributor's knowledge of their sport. They are aware that not all stations have football coverage.

The entry should be no longer than ten minutes.

Previous winners:

- Radio Cherwell
- Radio Cavell

STATION PROMO OR TRAILER

2007 Shortlist:
HR Chelmsford
Radio Cherwell
Harrogate Hospital Radio
Isle of Wight Hospital Radio
Kingstown Radio
Northern Air
HR Perth
Ridgeway Hospital Radio
Rookwood Sound
Valley Park Radio

GOLD: Valley Park Radio
SILVER: Northern Air
BRONZE: Radio Cherwell

Highly commended:
Hospital Radio Perth
Ridgeway Hospital Radio

This entry can include either a station promotion or programme trailer.

In previous years the judges have looked for how well the promo or trailer puts the message across to the listener.

Previous winners:

- Isle of Wight Hospital Radio
- Radio Tyneside
- Radio Link
- Radio Northwick Park

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO ALL
AWARD WINNERS**

National Hospital Radio Awards



National Hospital Radio Awards



National Hospital Radio Awards

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors this year: BBC Radio 2, GCap Media, PSquared, PPL, IRN and the HBA, who without their financial support, there wouldn't have been a show.

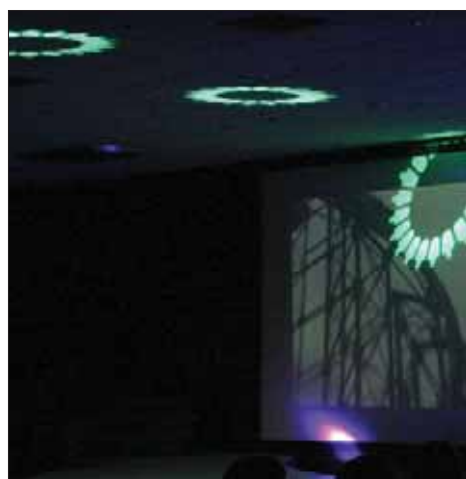
Talking about the show, thanks to all those who took part: Charles Nove of BBC Radio 2, Clive Warren of Century North West, Tony Clark of PPL, Mark Warr of Tyne Tees TV, Jon Godell of IRN, Jagger & Woody and Colin Patterson of Northants 96, James Barr of Red Dragon Radio, Neil Gardner of C4 Radio and Paula Rogers of BBC Radio).

Of course, we must not forget our great hosts Carole Kirkwood and Paul Robinson.

To all of you, thanks for a fabulous show.



The Judges decided to make a special award to Radio Cavell, particularly Dave McGealey for his close work with his Trust over the Billy the Bug campaign. Pictured Mark Warr of Tyne Tees TV presents the award.



Welcome to the New HBA Website

Saturday, 31st March 2007, wasn't just the Spring Conference and Awards day; it also marked the next chapter in the history of the HBA's website.

I took over responsibility for the website just over a year ago and have spent that time developing the look and functionality of the site.

The site is by no means finished, however, and it probably never will be as I hope to keep adding and improving.

It's divided into three sections; one for the general public, one for HBA members and another for members of the Executive Committee.

The 'public' section tells people all about the HBA and a way to contact members of the EC as well as member stations. I've really tried to funnel visitors through to the station they want. This means that your station has much more of a presence than before, with each station having its own page, so I'd encourage you to take a look, log in and edit your details to make sure your page looks as good as possible!

The 'member' section gives news and events from the HBA as well as member stations and provides up-to-

date information on the National Hospital Radio Awards.

Each HBA region has its own mini-site which also forms part of the main site under 'Regions'.

Once you've logged in, you'll have access to 'Media' and 'Support' as well as 'my Home' with its nine sub-sections which are all designed to help member stations. Anyone can log in and there are different levels of access: Level 1 for those pending approval by their station's rep, Level 2 for HBA Associate Members, Level 3 for members of member stations, Level 4 for administrators from member stations (main contact and others as requested), Level 5 for HBA Regional Reps; Level 6 for members of the EC.

There's a lot to explore and many ways to publicise your station and its events.

I'd ask everyone to register and log in as soon as possible

If you have any questions or comments, I'd be happy to hear from you.

Mark Venus
webmaster@hbauk.com

THE DAY THE TV STOOD STILL



Want to enjoy again some of those catchy and familiar interlude tunes played on daytime TV during the 60s and 70s? Over 60 of these nostalgic cult TV tunes feature on the latest CD release by Winchester Hospital Radio: 'The Day The TV Stood Still'.

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BUSY START TO THE YEAR

It's been a busy start to 2007 for the team at Hospital Radio Tunbridge Wells, throughout the year the bulk of their fundraising is achieved by holding collections at large supermarkets in the towns they serve. In January, February and March they visited local Waitrose stores and managed to raise almost £1,500 with each collection seeing an increase of about 15% on the 2006 totals. In the next few months the team is scheduled to visit local two local Sainsburys stores, two local Tesco stores and are currently working on plans to visit a new Morrison's store which has recently opened in Crowborough plus visits to a local QS store and Homebase at Christmas.

The team marked Hospital Broadcasting Week with the launch of an online shop via their website, following the trend set by many other HR stations. The team in Tunbridge Wells are using the buy.at site and are promoting it via the homepage of their main website which is now getting an increasing number of visitors thanks to the fact that the station output is also being made available via their website at www.hrtv.org.uk. The online shop enables people to buy from regular online stores and the station receives a commission on the sales made when done via their links at buy.at. Several other HR stations have reported this to be a nice little earner.

Several members of the team took part in the making of a short documentary about hospital radio by a local film company called Camera Girls; this has been taken up by ITV Local and can now be seen online by visiting http://www.itvlocal.com/meridian/yourtown/?player=MER_YourTown_26&vo id=58421.

Amongst the members to take part and appear in the documentary was multi award winning presenter and Station Manager Diane Clarke, who returned from Conference with her latest award, Bronze in the Best Female Presenter category. She commented, 'I only did it for a bit of fun and never expected to get into the top 10 for the fourth year in a row, it just gives me confidence that we're doing something right.' Diane expressed her thanks to Will Dunn who compiles her entries to the awards.

Plans are now well advanced for the station to cover Tunbridge Wells

Cricket Week at the start of June. Last year the team provided coverage for the first time in many years and managed to get their coverage online, much to the delight of Kent Cricket Fans who were able to hear ball by ball commentary of the games online. This event led to the station's decision to put their normal output online and Technical Officer Will Dunn took on the project of getting all the necessary licensing in place.

The Cricket Week coverage will again be available online and promoted via the Kent Cricket Club Website as well as the websites of the teams coming to play against Kent in Tunbridge Wells. Chris Woodward who is one of the station's Commentary Team has been liaising with Kent Cricket Club to try and secure the best possible vantage point having had little more than a table in the beer tent last year, which proved a little awkward towards the end of the games last year as some of the spectators began to get a bit loud, thanks to their beer consumption! Fingers crossed for some sunny days and lots of cricket this year.

AND MORE CRICKET

Apple AM (Taunton Hospital Radio) has stepped forward even more from being just hospital radio to being Hospital/Community Radio. Our outside broadcast unit, donated by our League of Friends, has never been so busy.



Every month the Taunton Jazz Club is broadcast live from The Tacchi-Morris Centre, one of our local theatres. We also present live The Apple Showcase with the best of local music every other month, any money raised going to our Hospital Cancer unit. We also broadcast live The Taunton Flower Show & Taunton



Engineers corner ... engineer Paul Sands is kept busy

Carnival every year, two big events in our local calendar. Now we are bringing Taunton County cricket plus England's women's cricket team into our programming with 40 & 50 over and 20-20 games being broadcast. Our plans this year are to present some of our Saturday sports programmes from the County ground during some of the bigger games such as the West Indies. We are also in demand for local events. Fetes, etc and our yearly O.B. at the local Tescos where we raise lots of money to run a station with rapidly raising costs.

In these modern times all sick people are not in hospital; there are disabled people who can't get around, there are blind people who are not catered for, since the new idea of local BBC stations is that older people should not be catered for plus older local BBC presenters are no longer required (who are now broadcasting for us). These people must be catered for, not just cast aside as is the norm in this day and age. What better job ... hospital radio stations across the country to cater for the community in and around the hospital?

Apple AM broadcasting on Patientline channel one, 1431 AM, plus www.appleam.com you can also pick us up on a crystal-set and not many stations can now say that!

Tony Soley
Full time programme controller
(unpaid)
Taunton Hospital Radio

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FORTY YEARS OF HOSPITAL RADIO IN DORCHESTER



Last year saw forty years of hospital radio in Dorchester and the refurbishment of the studio. April brings ten years of Ridgeway Radio serving Dorset County Hospital. Now with state of the art digital equipment another ten years, if not more, of broadcasting to staff patients and visitors to the county town's hospital will be ever more popular.

Our team grows by the month with varied skills and talent that helps us greater our ability to keep smiles and cheered spirits to patients we serve.

A few of our current members have been with Ridgeway Radio since it started ten years ago. They continue to keep such a locally well loved station going.

During hospital broadcasting week our studio was opened up to express our service to the hospital, promote our services and show off our new gear!

We continue to support the local community by providing coverage of local events that happen in and around Dorset with the idea of 'bringing the outside world in' 24 hours a day.

This year, coinciding with the ten years celebration of Ridgeway Radio, includes a brand new line up of programmes including speech packages and features right the way through the night. Our listeners at night seem to grow each year so it seems more important that we provide a truly enjoyable overnight service that all can enjoy during the small hours.

We aim to keep patients updated with our news throughout the year via On Air and at our website www.ridgewayradio.org.uk

AND NOW FOOTBALL



Chris Hutchings, one of the select band of football commentators for Southampton Hospital Radio, has achieved national fame. He has been elevated to the 'Talksport Radio' station winning their 'Talksport F A Cup' prize.

All he had to do was attend (free of charge) a cup match in every knockout round – leading up to a seat at the Cup Final. For this privilege, he had to present a live on-air pre-match review on the Friday evening and then a live post match telephone report of the game. In addition he also had to provide photographs of the day plus a written report which, along with his photos was then posted on the Talksport website (it's huge – go look at it) on www.talksport.net

Chris reports, 'On 9th November I received the telephone call advising that I had won the competition to be a guest presenter for 'Talksport' covering all the 2007 FA Cup season (sponsored by E.ON). My first match was just down the road near Brighton, when Lewis played Darlington in the First Round.

I was introduced to my 'Big Red Taxi' early on Saturday morning – a top of the range Lexus which was later to be fully emblazoned with the E.ON and Talksport insignia. Chauffeur driven to the matches and an overnight room in a four star hotel was included in the package (and I could take two 'mates' with me – I never realised just how many 'mates' I have)!

The Second Round match was at Macclesfield when they beat Hartlepool United. That was a 400 mile round trip in the 'Big Red'.

Round Three was a dream come true – Chelsea v Macclesfield. It was a 6-1 defeat for the lowly David when Goliath overpowered them with expertise but for me the highlight was crowned with an overnight stop at the



hotel in Chelsea Village. Chatting with some of the world class footballers in the bar was a dream come true for me and my friends.

My Fourth Round match took me to Blackpool where the facilities for the supporters was in stark contrast to those enjoyed by the Chelsea fans – and for my Fifth Round of the knockout I travelled up to Watford and watched them pipsqueek Ipswich out of the competition by a last minute goal. (Harry the Hornet was not required to uplift the vocal chords of the local fans).

The telephone and written reports are both challenging and exhilarating and I am so looking forward to going to the final at Wembley (if it's ready).

This will remain forever in my memory as a football season of a lifetime. However, I continue to enjoy my Saint's commentaries each week from St Mary's and hope that if you are in hospital when Saints are at home you will tune in and listen.'



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THE DEVIZES TO WESTMINSTER INTERNATIONAL CANOE MARATHON

The Devizes to Westminster international canoe marathon (the DWV is the longest non-stop canoe marathon in the world) and took place as always at Easter. This year was the 60th and over the years the event gets little coverage in the national press, TV or radio.

The event starts at Devizes Wharf on Good Friday at 06.30 for the juniors and single seniors spread over four days. Then on Easter Saturday at 06.30 the senior doubles start, which is non stop and 125 miles long, that why it's called the Canoe marathon, harder than the London Marathon!

The Seniors double finish on Easter Sunday, whereas the Juniors and Single seniors camp out each night and prepare their own food finishing Easter Monday.

For the last 31 years, Devizes Hospital & Community Radio has been covering the event and providing PA at the start. The event is truly international and some well known people have done it, including one Mike Skinner from the HBA!!

Any stations on the route are welcome to get involved. Two years ago some Gurkhas took part raising money for the benevolent fund, as part of a five continent challenge.

Not only did they start at Devizes for the 125 miles but added 85 miles and started at Bristol Docks late on the Thursday for a Good Friday start.

The route is The Kennet & Avon canal, River Kennet through Reading, into the Thames to Westminster.

One of the most spectacular view point is at Teddington Lock weir when hundreds of canoes go over the top all at one time.

For more information about the event and its history, a good read on its own (the first Race took 80 hours), check out the DWV web site www.dvrace.org.uk

<<http://www.dvrace.org.uk>>

The site is being updated all the time.

Justin Leonard

Station Manager

Devizes Hospital & Community Radio

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TICKETS GALORE AT GLAN CLWYD

I'm Brenda Jones and work as a presenter with Glan Clwyd Hospital Radio. I have been with them for seven years and have my own show every Wednesday between 10am and 12 noon. I play easy listening music and music from the movies and theatre. I am involved with the local theatres in Rhyl and Llandudno and every year I am invited to their panto launches where I meet the stars and take photos for our display in the hospital

I interview them in their dressing rooms, mini disc the interviews and edit them so I can play them on my show, which go down very well. I help fund raising and attend outside broadcasts during the summer, where we play requests and entertain.

I love interviewing, as I am a bit of a nosey person (in the nicest possible way) and have interviewed our local MP and Assembly Minister. I always ask them to bring in three selections of their choice of music so they become part of the show and we have a very relaxed and happy time. It is very important to spread the happiness to the patients. I also organise a monthly theatre draw for the patients and staff to win two top class tickets for any show they would like to see in the Pavilion Theatre in Rhyl. The theatre manager called me for a meeting five years ago and said that the Theatre wanted to be involved with the community and gave me this very generous prize to be given to the radio throughout the year. They give me a family ticket for the panto every Christmas, as also do the Llandudno Theatre. Apart from interviewing the stars and MPs, I have been interviewing



Ruth Madoc presents Brenda Jones with the winning tickets for the show 'Annie'



Brenda Jones and Dr Gozzard

leading staff members, which is fantastic. I recently had the honour of having Dr David Gozzard on the show with his selection of music and chat. A great person to talk, he has just won a 12 month Fellowship Award to go to Boston, USA. He is Medical Director and Consultant Haematologist for the Trust based in Glan Clwyd Hospital. My aim is to have the leading medical staff on the show so patients have a chance to learn what the consultants and doctors are doing for this fine Hospital in Bodelwyddan.

DAVE HERRINGTON MEMORIAL AWARD

The Dave Herrington Memorial Award was presented at the recent AGM of Seaside Hospital Radio.

Every year we remember Dave and the contribution he made to our organisation by the presentation of a memorial award, named in his honour. The award is presented to the individual or individuals who have made a significant contribution to Seaside Hospital Radio.

As Chairman, I select the candidates and make the final decision as to who will receive the award. It is always a difficult decision, yet one I am happy to make.

This year, as every year, there are a number of potential candidates who have made a significant contribution to the organisation and these individuals should be recognised:

Bob Burgess and Steve Ewens have worked tirelessly this year to complete the refurbishment of our new studios. Much of their work could only be completed out of broadcasting hours

Countrywide ... news from the stations

and without their efforts our studios would not be as professional as they are today.

Natalie Warren joined the Executive Committee almost as soon as she joined SHR and immediately set about organising our Grand Summer Draw. Her tenacity and drive ensured we obtained a number of prizes from local retailers. The draw was certainly a success and one we will repeat in the future.

However, there is an individual whose efforts have been outstanding and consistent over the past few years and to whom recognition is deservedly due.

Margaret Bickmore has constantly been the champion within our organisation for ward visiting and request collecting. Her efforts have provided the personal link between our service and our listeners, which in turn improves the organisation's profile within the hospital.

Not only has Margaret tirelessly travelled the wards in search of requests and dedications, she has also acted as mentor and guide for new members who embark on their training programme. Ensuring they feel comfortable with the ward layout, providing guidance on the most appropriate ways to approach a patient or visitor and how best to complete the process once back in the studios so that presenters have the clearest information possible.

Margaret accepted the award with my personal thanks and the collective appreciation of the organisation for her remarkable efforts.

Dean Fieldus, Chairman
Seaside Hospital Radio

SUPER STAFFORD

I received an unsolicited telephone call from Canada recently during my programme from a Clive Jones whose Mum, as I eventually found out, was in SGH Ward 2, requesting a piece of music for her. We obliged and my colleague Stephen Wood conducted a live on-air interview with Clive, while I was playing Sherlock Holmes over the road in the Hospital. Here is an extract from his email:

'It was a pleasure to talk to you and Stephen. I phoned my Mum later, she was very buoyed up and that is a good thing. I know you will say that you were just doing your job but thank you very much for seeking her out and talking to her. For her it is the little things that mean a lot. I hope to visit the

UK next year with my wife Kim and will certainly drop in to see you. I hope that I do not need to contact you again for another request in the intervening period; if it happens that I should, I will be happy to give you an update on things here in Canada, provided I haven't been carried off by the wildlife that is...'

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Pictured, from left to right: Toni Brisby, Chair NHS Trust, Cllr Mike Shone, Mayor, Sherif Hegazy, Asda, David King, Martin White and Mike Harker from HRS

The Mayor of Stafford, Cllr Mike Shone, officially launched Hospital Radio Stafford's new 24 hour service on 17 March 2007.

The entrance hall of ASDA Stafford was used to set up a mini radio studio for the occasion. A live 24 hour broadcast started at 6.00pm Friday 16 March and finished at 6.00pm Saturday 17 March.

Staff from Mid Staffordshire General Hospitals NHS Trust joined forces with HRS members, to promote and seek support for their submission to gain foundation status.

The programmes overnight have been especially planned to help patients with sleeping difficulties in both Stafford and Cannock Hospitals. Nurses now have a complementary therapy they can suggest, as speech and music content have been chosen with this in mind.



Pictured, from left to right: Martin Yeates with sax, Val Suarez, NHS Trust and Gemma Davidson, Richard Biffen and Martin White from HRS

FROM HAROLD WOOD TO QUEEN'S VIA OLDCHURCH

Bedrock is the new-ish hospital radio service in Havering. Founded on 24th June 2002 to amalgamate Harold Wood Hospital Radio (HWHR) with Oldchurch Radio as Harold Wood needed the space from our old studio.

We have now moved into our new first floor, three studio suite at Queen's Hospital, Romford. Business continues as usual with the mammoth task of transferring our vast library of vinyl records onto our new automated system and installing our broadcast equipment.

We've managed to get some local celebrity names through our doors at Oldchurch including Bob Carlton, current artistic director at The Queen's Theatre Hornchurch. We hope to bring even more famous names into our new studio at Queen's Hospital including Steve Scrutton from BBC Essex, among others.

HWHR and Oldchurch Radio may be long gone but with the combination of both services into Bedrock, hospital radio in Havering still lives on from the humblest of beginnings to the up to date service we aim to provide today.

Robert Evans
Bedrock Publicity/PR Officer

MAYOR VISITS MEDWAY



Hospital Radio Medway were visited by Mayor, Cllr Angela Prodger, her husband Brian, Jeff Brown, Chairman of the Board of Directors at the Medway Maritime Hospital, at the start of Hospital Radio week. The mayor had prepared a playlist and related stories to each of the tracks. Both Jeff and Vernon joined in.

After the mayor had left Jeff and Vernon stayed on and I believe we could have witnessed the seeds of a new radio double act. The mayor was presented with a basket of flowers.

BIKERS CONVOY TO CHILDREN'S WARD

On 15th April, the annual bikers Easter Egg run to the Padua Children's ward at the William Harvey Hospital, Ashford took place.

The bikers run saw around 200 bikers from all over Kent gather in the sunshine on the hottest day of the year, at the Halfway House pub at Challock.

At 2pm, led by Hothfield couple Brian and Eileen Johns, who have been organising the event for over ten years, they left in convoy to bring cheer to young patients in hospital over the Easter holiday period.

The convoy was escorted by a police car, with motorcycle marshals from Folkestone alongside and AHBS hospital radio provided the safety car at the rear of the convoy. Once at the hospital, they were met by hospital play specialists Niki Wakefield and Jane McReadie who were on hand with cool drinks in the hospital foyer, before they took the Easter eggs, chocolate and soft toys to the ward.

AHBS hospital radio broadcast a special programme and had live coverage from Challock, commentary from their safety car at the rear of the convoy, as well as live coverage at the hospital. Working on the programming were volunteers Stan Cascino, Richard Collins and Daniel Jones.

Easter eggs have been donated by the bikers along with donations from friends, family and work colleagues and will be given to children cared for in their own homes by community nursing teams, as well as children in hospital.

Brian and Eileen have been running the events for the ward for over ten years and also organise a toy run each December. AHBS teamed up with them around six years ago.

HARROGATE CATCH A DREAM!

Top Harrogate bed store, To Catch A Dream, has become a local charity's first sponsor of 2007.

The bed and linen shop, located in the town's Montpellier Quarter, is becoming the latest business to support Harrogate Hospital Radio, which this year celebrates its 30th birthday.

Last year, members of the hospital radio team helped To Catch A Dream owner Terry Dixon record and edit a collection of bed time stories, narrated by Yorkshire model Nell McAndrew, for his website.

Mr Dixon said, 'Both Nell and I went to the studio and I was really impressed



Eileen and Brian Johns

not only with the set-up there but with the dedication and enthusiasm of the volunteers who run the radio station.

'It's a local charity well worth supporting, particularly as they approach their 30th anniversary. There's a link between us and Harrogate Hospital Radio – beds! Our business is beds and Harrogate Hospital Radio's business is about broadcasting to patients lying in their's.

Part of the sponsorship deal will include copies of the Nell McAndrew-narrated To Catch A Bedtime Story CD being given to young patients on the children's ward.

Harrogate Hospital Radio chairman

Bill Caw said, 'This is a great start to the year and we are delighted that Terry has seen fit to become a sponsor.

'This is a very important year for Harrogate Hospital Radio as we are celebrating our 30th anniversary of broadcasting to patients.

'Like most charities we rely on the support of volunteers and donations to help us survive. Without them we wouldn't have been able to offer the service we provide for the last three decades.'

Sponsors over the years have included the Odeon Cinema, Victoria Road based accountants HHP and Yorkshire Water.



Pictured after receiving their 20 year Long Service certificates from Michelle Newstead are fellow Hospital Radio Braintree members Doreen Seymour and Alf Knight

RADIO TYNESIDE AND HOSPITAL BROADCASTING WEEK



The studios of Radio Tyneside were visited by presenters from BBC Radio Newcastle recently as part of Hospital Broadcasting Week.

Paul Wappat and Ian Robinson were interested to see how a hospital radio station was ran. Accompanying them was Jennifer Bartram of the Community Action Desk and they interviewed Station Director Dave Nicholson and Northern Regional Rep, Tony Swinhoe.

Paul Wappat had applied to work at Tyneside when he was younger but Mr Nicholson didn't take him on saying he was too young. (Yeah, a likely story Dave!!)

WHERE ARE ALL THE WOMEN?

Lucy Harrison from Norwich has just applied to become a member of Hospital Radio Yare.

Chairman Peter Burrage, was especially pleased to have a woman join the team of presenters because over recent years female volunteers have become a little thin on the ground.

After Elayne Guest retired at the AGM in early March, the only remaining female presenter was Brenda Godbold, who asked for a recruitment drive to bring more women into the organisation. Brenda has been a valued member for seven years and is kept busy with the Children's Show every Friday afternoon and co-producing the Music From The 80's Show on a Sunday evening. Since then, there have been four applications for membership from men and only one from a woman.

In the past there have been more women presenters and in recent years there have been three women who have held the Chair.

24 year old Lucy Harrison has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Radio, Film and Television and is looking forward to gain practical experience with a real audience. Her speciality at University was radio and she was surprised to see Radio Yare using similar equipment to that she had trained on. She would love a career in radio but said opportunities in the local area are limited but moving away even to America is not out of the question.

HRY would like to attract more volunteers as presenters or request collectors but, especially women to restore the balance. Please apply to The Membership Secretary, Hospital Radio Yare, Northgate Hospital, Northgate Street, Gt. Yarmouth.

Brian Frederick

HR READING'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR

Hospital Radio Reading will be 50 years old on 7th September and are planning a two week long celebration either side of the actual date of the anniversary. Celebrations will include a two-week special broadcast and a party for members past and present on Saturday, 8th September.

Those of you who attended the Spring conference may have seen this gold Jaguar in the car park, which will be used throughout the year to promote the celebrations. The car will be in attendance at as many of HRR's fundraising events as possible.

It is also hoped to arrange to visit a few of the other HR stations in the local area during the year, maybe on some of their special or fundraising events. This should gain some useful publicity for both HRR and the station being visited.

If you would like to try and arrange for a visit to your station (within reasonable travelling distance of Reading) please e-mail



norman@hospitalradioreading.org.uk with the details of where and when and I'll try and attend as many as I can.

We would also love to hear from any past members of HRR who are still broadcasting. Anyone who can join us

in our celebrations over the weekend of September 7th to 9th, either on the 'phone or in person, is invited to get back in touch.

**Norman Bland, Studio Manager
Hospital Radio Reading**

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June's Travels



Well what a super conference at the Park Inn, Northampton. The hotel and its staff were so helpful – it was good to see so many of you there and thank you for your support both of conference and the Awards. I and my colleagues on the EC have received some lovely comments from you – thank you.

**A BIG THANK
YOU** to everyone

involved in organising absolutely anything in connection with the conference and the Awards – so much work goes on behind the scenes and it really is appreciated.

There were some excellent seminars and the Trade show was very well supported.

Goodies had a grand sale at conference and thanks to those who supported it. The stock needed to be cleared and that well and truly happened, although there is still some left which needs to go – watch this space.

Many congratulations to all winners of awards and to Station of the Year – Hospital Radio Perth.

I hope Hospital Radio week was busy and successful for you all.

I have not had a chance to visit stations during the past few weeks, with the exception of Luton, who were having an open day. It was good to be there again and to meet many past and present members. Life has been a little hectic preparing to move house and even though it is not completed I have many visits booked during the next few weeks including Kings Lynn, Birmingham, Chelmsford and Guildford. So I look forward to seeing members in those stations soon and to preparing lots more visits in the summer.

I am delighted that I am still receiving lots of request for Long Service certificates – do keep them coming. We really do regard the certificates as an important opportunity to thank members for their hard work, dedication and commitment to hospital radio. To date this year, 115 certificates have been produced, many of these being for 35 and 40 years. So, many congratulations to all those who have received their certificates and a big thank you for all you do for your stations.

Requests for Station Awards for long service have started to come in, this was introduced at Autumn conference and I think it really is a good way of recognising stations for what they are doing. Perhaps I can remind you that you need to apply to me for certificates which will be available on completion of 10, 20, 30, 40, 60 years. However, for 25 and 50 years, stations will be presented with a plaque inscribed with their logo. The plaques are produced by Dave Nicholson.

The rules are that the HBA present these awards which can be at either Autumn Conference at Sunday lunch, Regional Meeting or at an event at your station – whichever you feel the most appropriate for you. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes, June



Conference Bursary

The HBA Conference Bursary was introduced in 1994 in memory of Brian Snowden, acknowledging his commitment to the Association and hospital radio. The bursary is now also dedicated to Ken Fulstow, George and Myra Burton, and Helen Hamilton, recognising their contributions to the Association.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? – Applicants should be active volunteers within a Full Member of the HBA. The successful applicant usually has not previously attended a conference. We are unable to award bursaries to young persons under the age of 18 unless we receive written parental consent and an adult from the applicant's station is willing to accept responsibility for their welfare whilst attending conference.

THE PURPOSE – The bursary provides successful applicants with an opportunity to meet fellow hospital broadcasters, and to find out about the work of other stations and the HBA. HBA conferences provide a training opportunity through seminars and workshops, and enable delegates to network with fellow hospital broadcasters, providing insight into the wider aspects of hospital broadcasting and the national association.

Successful applicants are required to write a report on the conference for their station's management committee, with a copy provided to the HBA Treasurer within one month of the conference. The report should explain what the recipient learnt at conference, detail the best and least good things about the weekend, and suggest ideas that the station's management committee should consider implementing.

WHAT DOES IT COVER? – The bursary pays up to the residential costs for individual applicants to attend the full weekend conference. Applications for payment of travel costs will also be considered.

HOW DO I APPLY? – Applicants should complete Section 1 the attached form, and then obtain the endorsement of the Chairman (or another officer) of their station in Section 2. The completed form should be sent to Julie Cox, HBA Treasurer, 37 Alford Street, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 8BX, to be received at least twelve weeks before the conference to which the application refers.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? – Applications are judged on merit by the HBA's Conference Bursary Subcommittee, which consists of June Snowden, Julie Cox and Nigel Dallard. The full terms of reference of the subcommittee can be found on the members-only section of the HBA website, or are available on request. Applicants will be informed of the success or otherwise of their application at least 8 weeks before the conference. Successful applicants will be required to pay an amount equivalent to the deposit payable for the conference, such amount being repaid on the submission to the HBA Treasurer of a copy of their report on the conference.

ARE APPLICANTS' NAMES PUBLISHED? – HBA would prefer to be able to publicise the names of those in receipt of the bursary. We do, however, understand that applicants may be sensitive about this information being released. You can, therefore, request that your name remain confidential by ticking the appropriate box on the application form. We will, however, be obliged to release your name to the Charity Commission if they ask for it after reviewing our Annual Report and Accounts, even if you ask for it to remain confidential.

PLEASE NOTE – The decision of the Conference Bursary Subcommittee is final and no correspondence will be entered into. If it is deemed that all the applicants are inappropriate, the award may not be given. The attendance, as paying delegates, of other volunteers from the same HBA member will not affect an application, except that we are unable to make awards to young persons under the age of 18 who are attending conference unaccompanied by an adult.

If you require further information or have any queries about the bursary, please contact the HBA Treasurer by telephone on 0870 321 6004, or by e-mail at finance@hbauk.com.

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Conference Bursary Application Form

Completed form to be sent to Julie Cox,
HBA Treasurer, 37 Alford Street, Grantham,
Lincolnshire, NG31 8BX

Section 1 To be completed by the applicant.

Name:

Address:

E-mail: Telephone:

I would like to apply for the HBA Conference bursary for the HBA conference because:

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(explain why you should be considered and how you/your station would benefit in 200 words or less)

In addition to the Full Weekend delegate's fee, I would like to apply for travel costs of approximately to be reimbursed.

I undertake to provide a report on the conference, including ideas from the weekend that the Hospital Broadcasting Organisation of which I am a member should consider implementing.

I have read and accept the HBA Conference terms and conditions.

I wish my application to be kept confidential: Yes ☐ No ☐

Signed:

Section 2 To be completed by the Chairman, Secretary or other appropriate member of the governing body of an HBA Full Member.

Name:

Position:

Hospital Broadcasting Organisation:

HBA Membership Number:

I confirm that the applicant named above is a member of this organisation.

I fully endorse his/her application for the bursary.

Signed:

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HBA Grants

The HBA Grants programme was introduced in 2006 following the Executive Committee's suggestion to PPL that a proportion of their donations to the Association in 2004 and 2005 be allocated for grants to member stations.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? – Applications are restricted to Full Members of the HBA.

THE PURPOSE – The grants are intended to enable hospital broadcasting organisations to purchase equipment or other materials required by them which they are unable to afford to purchase from their own funds.

HOW DO I APPLY? – Applicants should identify the equipment or other materials that meet(s) their needs and should obtain a quotation (ideally more than one) for the supply. They should then complete the application form and send it, together with copies of the quotation(s), their constitution (or other governing document) and their latest annual report & accounts, to Dave Nicholson, HBA Vice President, East Cottage, Milbourne Hall, Milbourne, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE20 0EB.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? – Applications will be acknowledged on receipt. The subcommittee will meet bi-monthly to consider applications. As soon as possible after consideration, applicants will be informed as to the success or otherwise of their application. Successful applicants should expect to receive a cheque within 28 days of their application being granted. Copies of invoices confirming purchase of the equipment/materials should be forwarded to HBA within 6 months of the grant cheque being issued. Failure to provide such evidence of purchase may result in full repayment of the grant being requested.

Applications are judged on merit by the HBA's Grants Subcommittee, which consists of Dave Nicholson, John Harper, Dave Lockyer and a representative from PPL. If a conflict of interest arises between a member of the subcommittee and an application, the conflicted member will withdraw from discussions surrounding the particular application and, if necessary, further temporary members will be co-opted to the subcommittee. The full terms of reference of the subcommittee can be found on the members-only section of the HBA website, or are available on request.

ARE DETAILS OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS PUBLISHED? – HBA would like to maximise the publicity obtained, both local to the recipient of the grant and nationally, and would expect successful applicants to work closely with the HBA's Public Relations Manager to achieve this.

HBA would anticipate providing details of all grants made in its Annual Report and Accounts.

PLEASE NOTE – The decision of the Grants Subcommittee is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The subcommittee may, at its sole discretion, provide unsuccessful applicants with an indication as to why their application failed - for instance, applicants can expect to be informed if they failed to provide all necessary supporting paperwork, or their application was deemed ineligible in other ways. However, applicants should understand that the funds available are limited and not all applications that meet all the required criteria are likely to be funded.

If you require further information or have any queries about the bursary, please contact Dave Nicholson by telephone on 0870 321 6016, or by e-mail at vicepresident@hbauk.com.

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HBA Grant Application Form

To be completed by a member of the governing body of an HBA Full Member, with the full knowledge and approval of the governing body.

Name:

Position:

Hospital Broadcasting Organisation:

HBA Membership Number:

Address:

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E-mail: Telephone:

On behalf of the above-named hospital broadcasting organisation, I would like to apply for an HBA Grant to cover the purchase of:

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The justification for this application is:

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(explain why your station needs the equipment/materials and how its purchase would benefit the station and/or its listeners in 200 words or less)













I have attached the following documentation in support of my application:

- ☐ Details of the equipment/materials to be purchased
- ☐ Quotation(s) for supply of the equipment/materials
- ☐ Copy of our station's constitution (or other governing document)
- ☐ Copy of our station's latest Annual Report and Accounts

I understand that any grant awarded is restricted to be applied for the purchase of the above-mentioned equipment/materials. I agree to supply HBA with proof of purchase within 6 months of a successful application, and I agree, on behalf of the above-named organisation, to reimburse HBA the full amount granted if the equipment/materials have not been purchased within this period.

Signed:

Regional Reps details

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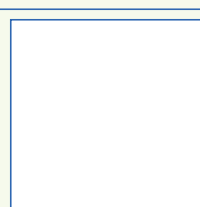
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