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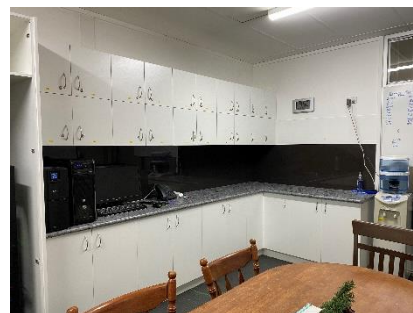
Wow!! It is Spring already! The year seems to be flying by.

Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grant Progress Continues

- **Refurbishment of Kitchen**

Our much-needed refurbished kitchen has been completed and we are very pleased with the outcome; it is so much more functional especially with having lockers for our presenters to secure their personal items. We would like to thank our sponsor, Vineyard Joinery, for their great work.

We have also had a doorway installed in the hallway to make the kitchen/meeting area more soundproof from the studios as well as the office area.



- **Youth Radio Program Workshops**

As part of the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grant in conjunction with Ladybug Projects, we were fortunate enough to hold a Youth Radio Program workshop for a 4-week period in August where 4 enthusiastic students attended our studio to participate in the process of microphone techniques, voice training and coaching, music

selection, marketing and recording and production techniques. On the last day

of the workshop, the students were able to do voice overs and be live on air. This was a great opportunity for our youth to learn more about media and how it works.

As part of the workshop, the students were given a STA FM t-shirt and membership for the 12 months.



Motorman and Inverell Markets 2023

We were, once again, part of the Motorman and Inverell Markets which was a joint fundraiser for the Pioneer Village and the Westpac helicopter service which was held at the Pioneer Village on Sunday, 20th August. It was a very successful day other than a glitch in transmission for 10 minutes which was quickly rectified.

Regional Australia Bank – Community Partnership Program

As part of the Community Partnership Program, the Regional Australia Bank held their annual presentation evening on 25th July where Mal Really and John Ditchfield attended on our behalf. We were fortunate enough to receive a very generous donation to our Association. It is with these programs and the support of the community that helps with us to continue doing what we love. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Regional Australia Bank for their very generous bonus payment.



Generator

Our generator which is located at the transmission hut on the Glen Innes Road, has been installed on the slab and a shed has been erected around the generator to protect it from the weather and create a sound barrier, to block noise from the generator to our neighbors at the transmission site; this a council compliance. Hiscox Electrical will commission the generator in the coming weeks. Once completed, this will give a safeguard against electrical outages. Thanks must go to John Ditchfield and his willing helpers for the erection of shed.

Upcoming OB Events

21st October, IAS Farm Official Opening at Gilgai, 9am-3pm

22nd October, Pioneer Village, time to be advised.

November, Eat, Drink & Live outside the Art Gallery, 6am-3pm.

We must remind organisations that our van is available to hire for events depending on volunteer availability and mobile service. Any enquiries concerning the fee and possible hiring, please contact the office.

We welcome the inclusion of our new presenter Elly Croft to our team. Elly hosts a program on Wednesday Nights, 6pm-9pm and co-hosts with Louis on Saturday nights, 6pm-9pm. Elly started at STA FM as a work experience student from McIntyre High School and had a desire to host her own program, we welcome her aboard.

Alan Turvey, who presented Sunday Smorgasbord from 3pm to 6pm has left our team.

We now have added Louis to our News team. Louis compiles the Brekky local news during the week and has a three-hour program on Fridays which includes a local sport roundup and a gig guide. We would encourage sporting organisations to become involved promoting sport news.

Until next time.

Mal Really

President Sta Fm Inc