Welcome to the Station's

NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2026….

After the somewhat cold Winter, I think we're all pleased that Spring has sprung, albeit the mornings are a little chilly! Spring bulbs are providing a kaleidoscope of color, some, like the fresias, are highly perfumed and I always pick a bunch for my kitchen bench…

From the Chair …

Right now we're in the process of working towards moving our antenna site from the current Tank Hill to Boors Plains/Moonta. This will optimize our signal (given that the antenna is 80 metres high…) and attract more listeners, more community involvement and participation, more sponsorship and hopefully more members and presenters! We'll install our new 1000w transmitter and 4-dipole antenna on that antenna. Our current transmitter is 500w and we'll use that as a back-up if required. Our Tech Consultant Jon has been busy with the paperwork and negotiations with the ACMA for that transition to occur.

We were fortunate to receive funding Round 1 D&O to replace our dilapidated 3 off OB Headset mics – our sincere thanks to the Community Broadcasting Foundation (CBF). I'm pleased to advise that we have a couple of potential presenters in training – Onyas Malcolm and Bruce!. One former presenter has returned and delighting in presenting her shows – welcome back Pamela!

Later this month and again in October we have a couple of training sessions by the Community Media Training Organisation (CMTO) – "Presenting a Show" and "Conducting and Interview" – each session is 6 hours duration and it's very pleasing to note that 10 presenters have signed up for each session. All part of GFM keeping up with current trends in community radio!

Dave Hurrell, Chair

over to Sonia for the rest of the News ….

Our many sponsors continue to support us with new ones coming on deck regularly.

Pauline R. Murray Accountants continue to sponsor the National Radio News along with daily run of the station promos –Many thanks Pauline! Thanks to our Sponsorship Volunteers – Sonia, Leonie, Kathy and Roger.

COMMUNITY GROUPS: continue with their valued support– our sincere thanks and appreciation and we wish them every success with their own events and fundraising initiatives

GRANTS: As indicated by Chair, Dave Hurrell above. We thank the CBF for their generous support.

SACBA CONFERENCE 2026 was held in August at the Lakes Resort, West Lakes.. This year we sent four delegates - Tammy, Mark, Alison and Hughesy. All came back with a wealth of knowledge to pass on to their colleagues.

This year we're proud to announce that we came away with a BILBY AWARD for Excellence in Community Radio - Runner Up Best Interview- awarded to Michael Dare. Mickey interviewed his brother who has dementia – interesting, poignant and very informative. Thank you Mickey D!

***Our Fabulous Presenters!*...continue to ensure that our many listeners enjoy an eclectic range of programs and music – across the genres and something for everyone! Country, Ol' Time Rock'n'Roll, Spiritual, Easy Listening and more… Mayor Mrs. Ros Talbot goes live-to-air fortnightly just after the NRN & Weather at 8.10am on "Sonia's Sunrise", Jolly Roger on Wed 10-1 – writers, poets, ….the list goes on! Check out the YPCT for our Program Guide…**

HUGE THANKS! To Life Member, Darren "Hibby" Hibbard and his good lady Debbie, for looking after our bespoke OB trailer for the past12 (or more) months at their home in Kadina, thereby keeping the trailer and the valuable equipment inside it, safe.
it is now housed in equally secure accommodation on site thanks to Mark and Dave and our very supportive Council. You'll be seeing our OB Trailer more and more as we get into outside broadcasts at various events in our community!

Check out our spiffing new WEBSITE! www.gulffm...and follow the prompts!
Don't forget you can webstream us 24/7!

FUNDRAISING: -**Assists with Operating costs.**

We're planning a sausage sizzle outside Woollies, Kadina–Friday 25th September 8.30am until sold out!

Bingo nite at the BBB Café, Wallaroo – Sat 21st November 6.30pm Pop those dates in your diary – we look forward to seeing you there – your support is most valuable!

That's it from me until Summer!
Stay Safe, Keep Well!

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And now for some other vital stuff….!

Have you thought of lodging an expression of interest to become a community radio announcer?....You have!!!! Well come on over to the Station and pick up a form….it's a start…and you just never know…you could end up behind the Mic doin' a great show and having a fun time as well!!!! (conditions apply)

Not stopping there…..If you've got tech/IT skills with some time up your sleeve then consider volunteering your talents at the Station….You'll be a valuable and an integral part of a group of vollies keeping your local radio station live to air! Think about it and contact us as per info below…!

IF YOU'RE A BUSINESS, LARGE OR SMALL – think seriously about promoting your goods and services on local radio. Surveys show that community radio reaches over 5.1 million Australians every week and 25% of all radio listeners choose local community radio. And….it's very affordable. Give the Station a call now….one of the Sponsorship Team will organize to meet with you and before you know it your "promo" is being produced and going to air for our many listeners – locals and visitors – to hear what you have to offer! **Sponsorship** is vital to all community radio stations around the Country as a source of income, along with grants and fundraising activities. ***Join us as a valuable Station Sponsor*.**

Are you a sporting body or a community service group? Would you like the Station to promote any fundraising events you may be having? Consider having a **Community**

Services Announcement read by our various presenters on their shows. It won't cost you a cent, but you must be a non-profit organization. Get your information to the Station at least two weeks before your event takes place, that way lots of listeners will get to hear about it, more folk will be at your event and you'll likely end up with some serious coin in your kitty!

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Gulf FM sincerely thanks.....

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