



Presenter Newsletter

Hello Presenters,

Hope you all are doing well this weekend and can you believe we are now half way through the year already! I guess it's true, time really does fly when you are having fun.

Let's begin our fortnightly Newsletter with some birthday and anniversary celebrations.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Wishing, Mark (MG) Ghirardi a very Happy Birthday.

MG celebrated his birthday yesterday on the 7th of June.

A big Happy Birthday to you MG from all of the family at 88.5FM.

You can enjoy the very best beats every Wednesday from 3 - 6:30pm, when MG presents **Wednesday Beats** (Yeah baby!)

Celebrating his birthday on the 13th of June is the man affectionately known as Pilks. Happy Birthday to you, Craig Pilkington from everyone at 88.5FM.

You can listen to, Pilks every Friday morning from 9 - 11am with his music program **Pilks Mix** and Pilks has been a great support filling for the Big V every Wednesday evening from 8pm with **Wild on Wednesday**.

Now celebrating his birthday and his **11th year** at our station is the one, the only, Mr Peter Gray!

Firstly Pete, we all at 88.5FM want to wish you a big Happy Birthday for the 11th of June.

We also recognise that you are celebrating your 11th year Presenting at 88.5FM.

It all began for Peter in 2014 at 88.5FM. From his pre-recorded days of The Couch, on a Saturday night to being the host of the Friday Night Party Mix for a number years. Today, Peter Gray co-hosts the always entertaining and never dull, **Sunday Session** at 6pm.



Since 2019, Mr Gray is also our very dedicated and creative Production Manager of 88.5FM as well as our Vice President of 88.5FM. The amazing work this man has done and is doing is truly incredible. Not only does he work beautifully with, his right hand man, Joel Hagan, Production Assistant, he dedicates countless hours at night and even Saturday evenings working on production for all of us....He is truly an unsung hero!

If that's not enough from a volunteer member, Peter has dedicated endless hours as our Webmaster on our website over the past 4 years. Let me tell you, that is not a small role. The website today is coming along very nicely. Check out the latest updates and improvements he has made.

Our website has been built, created and maintained by Peter Gray himself, at no charge at all to our station.

The words thank you are sometimes not enough!

Peter, on behalf of all the team at 88.5FM thank you so much for your support, dedication and commitment to our local community radio station.

CBAA CODES OF PRACTICE 2025



The Community Broadcasting Association of Australia, CBAA our governing body have issued new Codes of Practice which take effect on 1 July. These Codes of Practice set out the guiding principles and minimum standards all community broadcasters must follow.

The Codes reflect the unique values at the heart of community broadcasting - access, diversity, independence and local content.

As a Presenter it is your responsibility to be aware on the new Codes of Practice and adhere to the new rules.

Follow the link here <https://www.cbba.org.au/community-broadcasting/codes#codes-of-practice-listing> and familiarise yourself of the new requirements.

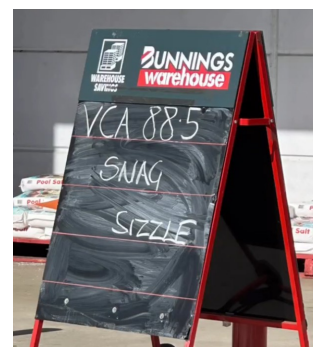
We will be receiving a few printed guides which will be in the bookcase below the Presenter Pigeonholes in the next week. If you are having difficulty accessing the link, please let our Secretary Suzanne know on admin@vcafm.com.au.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

A friendly reminder that we have our monthly sausage sizzle at Bunnings, Ellenbrook this Saturday the 14th of June. For the Presenters that have placed their name down to help during the day, the Events team and I thank you very much.

I will send a reminder text message to you during the week.

Our next sausage sizzle is in 19 July. For the presenters who have not helped in a while, I will be in touch with you all personally to ask you of your availability. It's not fair leaving it to the same Presenters every time.



Running the air cons at a lower temperature costs the station more money and our daily running costs increase. As you all know we rely on our Sponsors and our monthly Sausage Sizzles to keep our station alive.

Let me make this very clear. Do not get caught having the air conditioning units in either studio running lower than 23 degrees.

MEMBER AND PRESENTER FEES

During the week you would have received your renewal invoice for 2025/2026 Annual membership and Presenter fees.

If you would like to continue to have the opportunity to remain a member and Presenter at 88.5FM, please make your payment before the end of June 30.

If you haven't received your invoice, please let me or our station secretary, Suzanne know on admin@vcafm.com.au.



KIND DONATIONS

I and we know people make thoughtful and kind donations to our studio and are willing to do so with out wanting recognition.

That being said, I would like to thank the Presenters who are donating biscuits, milk and even topping up the lollie jar.

Your kindness and generosity isn't going unnoticed. Thank you again.

We are very fortunate to have so many dedicated volunteers at 88.5FM all working towards making our station, your station....truly the best!



In closing, and in the words of ABBA's song.....Ring, Ring (1973)



I remind you all that I am a phone call away for any help, support or just a general hello.

Have a wonderful and safe week ahead and I look forward to listening to your weekly program(s) through the airwaves of VCA 88.5FM. Where variety comes alive.

Keep Rocking!!