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RADIOTHON REPORT

The 1984 "Born Again" Radiothon was a great success and IF people send in the pledged \$43,500 then the short-term future of 4ZZZ is assured (that is a big if).

Things have been tough at ZZZ over the last few months. Money ran out in December because of a lack of both big promotions and long-term planning.

The full-time staff were on the dole for a couple of months over the festive season and it is reassuring that even when spirits were low and pockets empty, a lot of good work got done anyway.

I think listeners appreciated the effort and showed their support at the Radiothon. The money will be used to provide a solid basis for the long-term development of ZZZ. We will be improving the quality of the stations signal with a new compressor and an exciter (sounds fun, doesn't it). We will be updating some of the more clapped-out gear.

We are seriously looking at buying a cheap computer to take the random element out of subscriptions and finance. Above all, we will be hanging on to some money to budget with over the next months, though we need to raise a lot more money over the next year if we don't want to end up scavenging in rubbish bins next Xmas.

So the battle for survival goes on and,

Steve Stockwell
Acting Station Co-ordinator

let's face it, if it wasn't a battle to get individuals and community groups to support us financially, if we didn't take subscriptions, we wouldn't be providing the challenging, commercial-free radio that is our whole purpose.

While the Radiothon was a lot of work, late hours and craziness, it was also a lot of fun. The "Z-Team" was a fairly amusing spoof of the "A-Team" - set in Queensland after the holocaust. The return of Andy Nehl and Dan Flannery provided a manic shot in the arm to our on-air push.

The Radiothon market was also a great success. The AM Radio throwing competition featured a mechanical device for the first time but it was badly embarrassed by the strength of the human arm. The Auction was a good money spinner with a lot of interest shown in the National Party Memorabilia package (ironic, isn't it). The T.V. Smashing was also popular - at least it was a way of getting rid of all the old TV's that people dumped out here on the pretext of giving us junk.

So thanks to all the people who subscribed, donated and worked to produce the best Radiothon ever. People often say that ZZZ is the best radio station in the world. I tell them that is so, only because we have got the most discerning audience and the most committed group of workers and volunteers on the whole planet face. It's your station - don't let it fail. ■



► Briefly, the idea of a collective decision making body where everyone has an equal say and where there are no bosses and no leaders, developed within the women's movement and has since been adopted by other left groups. The leaderless collective as an organizational form developed as a reaction against our over-structured society which gives others the power to make decisions which affect our lives, eg. governments, churches, bosses etc. The collective is a more democratic form of organizing, the emphasis is placed on everyone agreeing and achieving consensus on particular issues. Whereas in hierarchical structures decisions are made by those who have the power and those who don't have to lump it!

At ZZZ we don't have an hierarchical structure. All full-time staff are paid the same wage; we have co-ordinators, not heads of departments or managers. Full-time staff are on an equal footing with volunteers. No one job is more important than the others. In effect the full-time staff run the station day to day but are ultimately responsible to the collective.

So, who is in this collective? Membership of the station collective is loosely based. Who-ever-happens-to-be-at-a-particular-meeting is the criteria for membership. Which you must admit is pretty loose.

During the fourteen months that I have worked at ZZZ the only formal rule that has become apparent is that quorum is half the full-time staff. In effect the membership narrows down to a core of people who regularly attend meetings.

Therefore a basic description of a collective is:

- a group of people who come together for some mutually agreed reason. In our case the running of a radio station.
- Where the responsibility for making decisions falls on the group as a whole, not on any one individual.

The next question is the more difficult one. How does a collective work?

Dispute the collective being an extremely loose and fluctuating structure there are several basic principals involved. The most basic is an emphasis on democratic procedures and ensuring that all those present, participate. Particularly where the delegation of specific commitment, rather than letting people assume jobs by default. This only leads to tasks not being dependably done.

The collective must retain control over people in positions of authority. Otherwise it ceases to be a collective. Individuals may exercise power, but it is the group that has ultimate say over how the power is exercised.

Ideally authority should be distributed among as many people as is reasonably possible. This prevents any monopoly on power developing in the process of exercising it. The collective structure has an inherent problem of informal structures within the collective, form a basis for the development of elites. This will consequently lead to the breakdown and destruction of the collective as the primary decision making body.

Information is power. The reason for each full-time staff member giving reports at meetings is to ensure a diffusion of information to everyone as frequently as possible. Access to information enhances one's power. When an informal network spreads new ideas and information among themselves outside the group as a whole participating. Ultimately and ideally, the collective should have power to determine who shall exercise authority within it.

The key elements within a collective are responsibility and participation. Individuals have the responsibility to ensure that the collective functions as a collective. That means everyone must participate in the decision making process. All of those involved then have a responsibility to carry out the decisions made.

Collectives are not perfect, ideal structures; problems with effectiveness and operation develop. This is why from time to time there must occur some form of questioning and examination of how we are all operating. ■

CYNTHIA IRVINE

* This article is based upon "The Tyranny of Structurelessness" by Joreen.

ITS OUR PARTY.

The intention of this article is to stimulate informal debate among as wide a group of people involved in ZZZ as possible.

Hopefully, it is common knowledge that radio 4ZZZ was established for specific reasons. Primarily to offer an alternative medium for people with alternative views to those expressed by the media monopoly which exists in this state, country, world.

However, in the day to day struggle to keep this station viable and presenting alternative, progressive and provocative radio, often the politics of how we operate goes unnoticed.

We all know that the station collective which meets every Tuesday is the place where all decisions concerning the station are made. However, what is a collective and why do we operate within this particular structure?

Will Radio Times Survive??

Here are some pointers for its life or death...
1) Increasing printing and postage costs will see Radio Times costing close to a "Grand" an issue to produce. If, ha, ha, you received one each month, that would cost \$12,000 per year—that's one third of the total yearly subscription contribution!
2) How would you feel about one issue every three months? It is thought that this sort of issue would consist of 16 or 32 pages—the size being one eighth of the sheet you are now reading. That would reduce the cost to \$4,000 per year, which is still a heavy bite of the subscriber input to the station.

Well then? the facts. What can you do to help us in this situation? well... Write to us and express your opinion as to which format you would prefer.

The ultimate solution to this and many other problems at Triple Zed would be this...

Find just one friend who you know listens to the station and doesn't subscribe and turn that friend into a subscriber. There is a form provided below for this mission. If you converted just one friend, which would double the subscriber rate to 6 out of 50 listeners instead of the 3 out of 50 listener rate which now exists.

We believe in giving you, the subscriber, every benefit we can but the rising cost involved in almost every facet of running Triple Zed make it difficult to say the least. Please help us help you, get just one friend to subscribe and wipe out the cause of Radio Times irregularity—money! Send your Radio Times feedback to Ed Detour care of the station, thank you.

Ed Detour

Subscription to 4 ZZZ

Name: P.O. BOX 509 TORONTO, ONT. M6G 1G6

Address: P/CODE

EMPLOYED \$30.00 / STUDENT \$25.00 / W/EMPL'D \$15.00 / W/SCHOOL \$10.00

Open 3 AM - 11 PM
Live Music
Nights
Fri - Sat.
Blue Moon Café
Phone: 312968
Lunch: 11 AM - 2 PM
Dinner: 5 PM - 11 PM
ZZZ SUBS 25% OFF
540 Queen St. (Opp. Hwy 7)

RENAISSANCE
ZZZ SUBS 25% OFF
DESIGN HAIR DESI 25% OFF
HAIR DESIGN DESI 25% OFF
PHONE: 2291244 (Opp. Festival Hall)
115 Albert St. (Opp. Festival Hall)

DISCOUNT RECORD BAR
SKINNYS
Lower Level - Queens Arcade
77 Queen Street, Brisbane
Phone: 2292380
\$1.00 OFF ALL LP & TAPES
Cash & trade-in your old records
Rock books, T-shirts, Patches & Badges

YOU'RE A 4ZZZ 'SUB' COMMANDER NOW! USE THAT CARD...



LIVE MUSIC

Most live music venues offer ZZZ discounts... listen for details.

MUSIC AND BOOKS

RED & BLACK BOOKS 20% off vinyl disc - 44 7984 - 10%
FOLIO BOOKS Elizabeth St. City - 3213368 - 10%
HOT PLAYS City Plaza - Vincent & Hwy 7 - 10% off
AUS. ACADEMY OF MUSIC Spring Hill - 2210283 - 10% off most musical equipment
KELL'S RECORDS & TAPES - 2669674 - 10%
BURLINGTON RECORDS - (075) 38811 - 10% off vinyl disc
OFFSHORE RECORDS - 22778
50% off recommended retail Logan Rd. - 3311166
OLD ENTERTAINMENT CO. Logan Rd. - 3311166
MOTHERS LIGHT WORKS - 2266766 - 10% off lighting hire

HANDS HELP! Townsville - 3715977 - 5% most items
BAYVIEW MUSIC WORLD Wynnum - 3967949 - \$1 off
RECORD MAN Elizabeth St. City - 10% disc, on 3 items
REDBACK RECORDINGS Eight Mile Plains - 3418999 - 10% off vinyl disc
BILLABONG BOOKSHOP Queen St. City - 10% off books, stickers, posters, T-shirts
REDBACK RECORDINGS Eight Mile Plains - 3418999 - 10%
PENBERTHY BOOKS - 82A Vulture St. West End - 444 973 - 10% disc.

CINEMAS

SCHONELL Old Unit, \$3.50 for 1, or \$5 for 2 movies, join club - save extra \$1.00 - 371 1879
DAYTHORNE Sanford Rd. - 3691700 - \$2 off double bill
BALMORAL Bulimba - 3991372
CENTRAL CINEMA Edward St. City - 2299955
DARWIN Cinema - 92483
VALHALLA Village Plaza - 3582021 - \$2 off (weekdays only)

CLOTHES

UNIQUE BATHS City & Elizabeth Arcades - 10% off
SECONDHAND ROSE, Townsville - 3707716 - 10% off clothes & bric-a-brac

FOOD

BLUE MOON CAFE - 540 Queen St. -

- 312 968 - 10% disc.

SCHONELL BISTRO Union Hill, Old Unit, St. Lucia - 371840 - 10%
PHOEBES Paddington - 3697397 - 10%
PENNY'S Paddington - 10% Most/Tue (sat-in)
THABA Spring Hill - 3210483 - 10%
DANCING BEAR COFFEE SHOP 7700000a Nona Junction - 10%
DUNCAN'S REST. Ashgrove - 10%
SOPHIE'S St. Lucia - 3715545 - 10%

SOUTHSIDE

JOLIFFES FRUIT MART Mt Gravest - 3492341 - 10%
ADISHA'S RESTAURANT 48 Sherwood Rd., Townsville - 10%

THEATRES

ANTS THEATRE Perth Ter - 362344 - Student disc.
SCHONELL DOWNSTAIRS Old Unit, St. Lucia - various
WOODWARD KENNEDY GROVE CALE - \$1 off
POPULAR THEATRE, TROQUE Bldg. Hill - various
SALO TURBO St. City - \$50 to \$1.50 off
LA BOITE Milton - 369 5080 - Stu, ZZZ \$5

CAR/MOTORCYCLES ETC

MOTORCYCLE TYRE SPECIALISTS Buranda - 302519 - 10%
COUNTESS MOTOR UNDERWOOD - 3416113 - 10% off
LITTLE WHITE MOTORWORKS - 482137 - various
CENTRAL BRAKE SERVICE Wilton - 352 5300
Coopers Plains - 275 3355 - 20% off labour/parts - discount on counter sales.

MARSHALL BATTERIES Fortitude Valley - 522141 - 15% off batteries
MIKE HIGGINS AUTO TREND Fortitude Valley - 52445 - 10% various items
CAR ELECTRIC Lower Roma St - 2210875 - 10/15%
UNIVERSAL TYRE SERVICE Corporation Ave - 3213277 - various
UNIVERSAL TYRE SERVICE Taringa - 3702074 - various
OLYMPIC OIL - 3715545 - 10%
AUSTRIAN DRIVING SCHOOL Nundah - 264411 - \$1 off each lesson
GL MOTOR STATION Fortitude Valley - 321759 - 10%
CLASSIC HOLDEN SPARES Fortitude Valley - 322584 - 10%
MOTORWORKS - 3715545 - 10%

SPORTS & RECREATION

SANFORD GRASS-SKI PARK - 2891581 - 10% off
FREE FLUID SURF SHOP Caloundra - (07) 313260 - various
HOWARD MARINE Breakfast Ck - 2622344 - 10/15%
FOOTBY CLUB CAMBIE HILLS Cammerlangh - 2747502 - 10% off equipment - various
MURRAY ARMS Club - 3119 - Townsville
(07) 310637 - 10% off processing - various
CENT CYCLE & SPORTS St. City - 3767447 - 10% off sporting goods, negotiable on cycles
REVELAND & LAMMARS V.L. Mary St. City - 2294247 - 10% camping gear, except on cylinders
THE CAMPING CENTRE Woodstock - 301630 - 10% various items

MISCELLANEOUS

BULLER BROS POTTERY Forest Glen - 10%
BUSH HAVEN ART Mt Samson - 5% various
ALLIANCE PHOTOGRAPHY George St - 2737867 & 385220 - \$5 off 1 year French course
SHINY & MORTIMER Electronics - Kelvin Grove - 3561310 - 10% most lines

MANNEQUINS PARTY HOUSE Treasury Hotel, City

PHOTO CORNER - Bardon - 369 7170 - 10% off wedding and portrait photography.
GIFTED HANDS (arts & crafts) Elizabeth Arcade - 3702078 - 15%
MOTT WACHES (coffee & gift shop) Moffat Beach - 10%
TOWNSHIP SQUASH CENTRE - 3799025 - One third off normal rates, 8am-4pm weekdays
SUNRISE PHARMACY 100/1000 Coomera - (07) 331539 - 10% off wine
MIL TON BOWLING - 3692488 - \$1.00 per game before 6.30pm - shoe hire to price
BILLY BROWNS SPORTS STONE George St City - 3692488 - 10%
PLANT PRESS Sports Hill - 2292265 - 10% various
ST LUCIA PHARMACY 3709542 - 5% off most lines
FURNITURE HOUSE CLEARANCE Milton Rd 3692388 - 15%
OLD LAMINATING SERVICE Verona - 486240 (elastic clothing, mounting of posters etc)
TRAMPS HAIR DESIGN Shortle Carlo Arcade, K.G. Graham - (07) 3101613
K.G. Graham - 10% off a Dazzle, 50c & 60c clothing
Off Prospect Tce & Kelvin Ave - 10%
J & B BIKES DETAILING, 74 Snoggers Rd., Newmarket - 3669881 - 10%

HAIR

RENAISSANCE HAIR DESIGN - 115 Albert St. - 229 1244 - 25% disc.

4ZZZ SUBSCRIPTION OUTLETS

KGB - on Fremont Tce & Kelvin Ave Rd
Rocking Horse Records, 158 Adelaide St City
Skinnies Records - Queens Arcade, Queen St City
Redcliffe Music Centre - 95 Redcliffe Rd
Dancing Bear Coffee Shop - 51 Russell St Townsville
CENTRAL RECORDS SHOP - Old Picture Theatre Arcade
Free Fluid Surf Shop - Caloundra Rd Caloundra
Bayville Music World - 11a Edith Ave Wynnum
Second Hand Soap - 131 Brisbane St Inverloch
Down Under Record Shop - QT Unit Bldg
Rockability Music - Karlgall Place Maroochydore

SOUTHSIDE

G.U.U.S. UNION OFFICE - Griffith Unit
Jeffries Fruit Mart - 1416 Logan Rd Mt Gravest

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THE GREAT FOOT 'N' MOUTH SWINDLE GOES ON...



The ultimate irony: Bob Hawke warns of the manipulative power of the media. (Mr Hawke, if we turned off the cameras would you still exist?)

Meanwhile, extortion fever sweeps Queensland as the National Party's dirty tricks department, a.k.a. Government News and Information Unit gives new meaning to the concept of media manipulation. Of course, extortion threats are neither new nor peculiar to Queensland. The difference is, We Make it Great in the Sunshine State.... the recent rash of timely extortion scares and fear-mongering publicity is typical of Bjelke-Petersen's approach to the media.

Petersen and his ilk reject the idea that the mass media is one avenue through which institutions can be held accountable to the people. Journalists should stop wasting the Premier's time on trivial matters that have already been taken care of by those who know best. After all, as Joh says, "I don't have to justify anything to anyone."

Much less acceptable to the authorities is the view that mass media should provide an efficient means of freely disseminating information to all members of society. If Prisons Minister Muntz was interested in encouraging informed public debate, he would have allowed all media and interested members of the public to properly inspect Boggo Road jail. Instead, Muntz deliberately excluded from his jail tour two media organisations that have been critical of the prison system (4ZZZ & ABC

Radio Current Affairs). Predictably, the inspection was little more than a public relations stunt, with the hosts bustling journalists along and forbidding any communication with prisoners. The jail is still effectively closed to independent inspection. Rather than trying to solve the problems inside, Muntz has blamed ZZZ for stirring up trouble.

In Qld, as elsewhere, those with power see the media as there to be used to further political objectives. Privately-owned media outlets generally give no trouble... unco-operative ratbags face reprisals and obstacles. ZZZ is not usually notified about the Premier's press conferences, for example.

In the extortion department, blaring headlines can always make up for lack of detail. (Just gloss over the contradictions in the story — we can't release details for security reasons, you understand. And don't ask why so few of these terror/horror threats ever eventuate.) Look at a few of these beat-ups and their political purpose is obvious.

The foot 'n' mouth virus threat — publicised during secret trials of prison "troublemakers" and widespread calls for prison reform. Serious debate was forgotten in the onslaught of terror/hype and political smear. The bank extortion threat — publicised the day after extensive criticism of the govt's draconian counter-terrorism legislation, and just before the passing of controversial new laws governing Aboriginal reserves... an effective smokescreen.

The dreaded Extortion Deadline passes with just one casualty — a pedestrian struck by a car in a chaotic bomb/terror flower shop evacuation. The incident is just one of many in the atmosphere of paranoia and hysteria generated by the media blitz..... Fears grow as Mad Bomber Anti-Nuclear Fanatic plans bombing campaign, just one day after 250,000 people march for peace. When will we read that Bomb Scare Ghouls Threaten to Kill Debate on Peace Issue?

The Spectre of Terrorism, like god, is everywhere but invisible. Good ol' terrorism never fails to get people's minds off changing things, and back where they belong — hoping that the security forces will protect them. Keep 'em on their toes and in their houses — after all, you can't trust anyone these days.

Now, who are the terrorists?

Harley Stumm

The ZZZ news collective always needs more people with time, ideas and information to help us improve the standard of our news service..... Anyone concerned about political and social issues is welcome to become involved — as a volunteer journalist, or by keeping us informed about the activities of your revolutionary movement. Let us know if you see or hear or experience anything others might be interested to hear.

We'll soon be organising a series of training workshops — to find out more, ring or drop in on the newsroom, and ask for Amanda, Jon or Harley.

do ya nana...

It's no secret among active, nutrition-conscious people that bananas are a healthy food, although few people know what makes them so. That's because bananas aren't sold in packages with convenient nutrition labels. If they were, we'd discover that bananas have no cholesterol, almost no fat and pound for pound, have a higher potassium content than any other fresh fruit.

Potassium determines the amount of water held in body tissues and plays a key role in the function of muscle cells. In conjunction with sodium and chloride, potassium makes up what are known as electrolytes.

If you eat just one banana, you're getting 450 milligrams of potassium. If you ate nothing more than four bananas a day, you'd be assured of getting your minimum daily requirement.

A yellow banana (100 grams) contains about nine grams of sucrose, a wealth of vitamins and minerals and also tryptophan which the brain uses to make serotonin (a natural tranquilizer).

When is the best time to eat your banana? That depends on taste preference. Surveys show, however, that 40 percent of banana consumers prefer the fruit when the skin is yellow with a tinge of green at the stem. Few like totally green fruit, although 7 percent of those surveyed like their bananas very ripe (yellow-flecked with brown spots).

There are four characteristics of damaged bananas that we can recognise. They are: "cooked", "chilled", "scarred" and "bruised".

Cooked bananas have been exposed to excessive heat. Bananas suffering from prolonged exposure to high temperature are soft and their peels break off at the neck. Another sign is sugar spotting (dark brown spots) when the banana is still green.

Chilled bananas have been damaged by the cold. In their green stage they will appear dull and smokey. Once the ripening process has been stopped by excessive cold, normal ripening will not resume.

Scarred bananas have gashes in them

from improper handling. This becomes more apparent on ripening.

Bruised bananas need no introduction.

Follow these tips for storing bananas at home: 1) Keep at room temperature until they reach the desired ripeness. 2) To store bananas once they have ripened, put them in the refrigerator. They will keep for several days this way and although the skin may darken, the fruit will be fresh. 3) Bananas will remain unspoiled for up to six months in your freezer, if peeled and wrapped tightly in foil or plastic freezer wrap. Defrosted bananas will be very soft and so, more appropriate for "smoothies" and recipes calling for pureed bananas.

Bananas are easy to eat. They are made up of 75 percent water; you hardly have to chew them before swallowing. Some idea of how easy it is to eat a banana can be taken from Dr. Ronald L. Alkana (Guinness Book of World Records) who gobbled down 17 in two minutes, and that's not monkeying around.

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