

**Nambucca
Valley
Radio
Spring
2025**



2NVR Nambucca Valley Radio

105.9 FM Community Radio, Streaming Worldwide

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A word from our President Luise

Hi Folks,

It has been an eventful time with the weather affecting our ability to travel and to transmit on the radio waves. Thank you for all the work so many do to keep our station going. Work that goes beyond presenting, and is essential to maintain the station and the quality of our broadcasts. A special thanks to those who have read the Codes of Practice 2025 and completed the Certificate.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at 11am on Saturday September 13, followed by our Spring BBQ. Please bring a salad to share.

Looking forward to seeing you. Luise.



What Charity Status means for Radio Nambucca Inc.

The Australian Charities and Not-for Profits Commission (ACNC) advised community broadcasters that they have charitable purposes. Nambucca Valley Radio has now registered with the ACNC to qualify for tax exemption. The big benefit for 2NVR is that we can



now return to the Google Groups Email accounts and we can run fundraisers such as raffles!

A big thankyou to Elizabeth Newman for all her work to get this status for 2NVR, even after leaving the committee. It is a significant achievement after many years of effort and mountains of paperwork.

Infrastructure Planning: A New Awning

The committee has been working on plans to extend the front roof and enclose the verandah area of the centre. This will give greater protection to our visitors and audiences at our 'Live' Studio 3 performances. Paul Burns obtained a quote from Spanline to supply and install an additional skillion awning to the verandah using insulated, 'Ezistruct' trimdeck, with a project price of \$34,000. Ron Hawkins created a Cross-section and Site Plan and the Development Application has been approved by Council. The committee has applied for an Infrastructure grant to pay for the awning and awaits the outcome of this application. Thankyou to the Project Team of Paul Burns, Ron Hawkins & Beverly Gibbs for all their work over the past year to bring the project to this point.



Radio Nambucca Inc.
Annual General Meeting
Saturday September 13, 11am

It's that time of the year! Come and be counted at 2NVR's AGM on **Saturday September 13, 2025 at 11AM**. Nominations are open for all positions and we value your presence. The outgoing committee will share their many accomplishments from the past year. Now that 2NVR has achieved Charity Status, it is important for the committee to report to members about their activities and finances. All members are encouraged to attend, ask questions and elect new members to the committee. The **AGM will be followed by the Spring BBQ to celebrate the 2NVR team's Change of Season**. This is a great opportunity for us all to get together, catch up and share ideas.



The recent **\$500 Nambucca Valley Council Donation** to Nambucca Valley Radio was shared between the Macksville and Nambucca Men's Sheds for their work in completing our new sign for the community centre. Paul Burns made many trips back and forth between the two sheds to bring this project to completion. A big thankyou to Paul for all his work. The sign will be placed at the front of the garden bed to welcome visitors to the Centre.



The CBAA Conference is a national event for the community broadcasting sector.

Each year, it brings together station teams, sector advocates, volunteers, technologists and media professionals from across the country to share ideas and develop skills.

There are key note speakers, practical workshops and sector-led discussions on topics like funding, audience engagements and digital innovation. This year the keynote speakers are **Craig Reucassel**, known for his work on *War on Waste* and *Fight for Planet A*, and **Adrian Sargeant**, a global leader in non-profit fundraising strategies.

The Conference culminates in the CBAA Community Broadcasting Awards Gala Dinner which celebrates stations, programs and people who make a lasting impact in their communities. This year Rachel Burns and Beverly Gibbs from 2NVR have submitted entries in the CBAA Community Broadcasting Awards for Best News Program and Best New Program. Good luck Rachel and Beverley!

Ceri Wrobel recognised by the Community Broadcasting Association of Australia (CBAA) in Volunteer Week 2025

Ceri Wrobel from Radio Nambucca 2NVR 105.9FM became a runner-up for the CBAA Most Valuable Volunteer Award 2025. Josh Cole from the Marketing and Communications team at CBAA said, 'CBAA don't usually nominate runners up, but Ceri was such a strong contender they wanted to recognise her in some way.'

Ceri Wrobel demonstrates this year's National Volunteer Week theme, 'Connecting Communities', through her impact on community audiences, storytelling with programs such as 'Talk of The Town' on Fridays and MC and host of the Studio 3 'Live to Air' monthly concerts that began in 2013. Ceri has formed a strong relationship with local musicians and regularly provides opportunities for artists to share their work and perform live on air. 'It's a real buzz when I know it's their first time on radio.'



Ceri also builds community connections through promotional publicity, outside broadcasts, providing training and recruiting new volunteers at 2NVR. Ceri served as Vice President on the 2NVR committee and organised a Radio Regional Conference, held at Valla. During her Australian travels, she recorded an audio series 'Outback Adventures', which was selected for the Community Radio Network (CRN), making it available to community stations nationally. Ceri said, 'I'm chuffed I was nominated by my peers at 2NVR. I'm proud to be a radio presenter and I love what I do but it's nice to be supported.'

Ceri's volunteering role extends beyond Radio Nambucca at Tewinga. She attends music festivals to record local musicians and supplies this content to 2NVR. Ceri is also a volunteer with the Valla Beach Community Markets, providing another link for local musicians to showcase their musical repertoire.

Around the station



*Julie Kovendy,
guest on Talk
Of The Town
with Ceri*

*Neighbours popping in
for a chat*



*Frequent visitor Ollie
with his well
behaved friend,
Linda*



Around the station



Angela Ravine our
'Cleaning Fairy'



Col from Finishing
Touches installing the
new curtain.



Wendy and Gary
Biden's excitable child.!



Donna and Allen's new
edition to the family.

Local Youth Committee Presents 'Coastal Grown'



2025 Outset Youth Committee and Project Manager Andrew Davis

Coastal Grown is a collaboration by 10 young people from across the Mid North Coast, culminating in a live gig at the HOEY MOEY on August 30.

The collaboration, supported by MusicNSW's Outset program, brought together a Youth Committee to deliver their own all ages gig. The committee, all aged under 25, includes Amy Hughes, Annabelle Kerr, Arlo Smith, Brylee Eklund, Ethan Pursch, Isaiha Kelly, Jayden McDermid, Mahli Grant, Sam Duff and Scott Schrimpton. Working with industry mentors they will gain hands-on experience, industry knowledge and connect with the music industry on the Mid North Coast.

The Coastal Grown gig will feature Korderoy, Lily Hallawell, Autopilot, Rhetorical & Temperate. Entry is free, but registration is required, via [Humantix.com](https://humantix.com).

MusicNSW's Outset is presented in partnership with Arts Mid North Coast, the Hoey Moey and with support from Create NSW and Sound NSW.

MUSICNSW

Presenter Profile: Ralph Ord

Tewinga Tunes, Thursdays 2-4 pm

Ralph has been in Australia since 1997 but only in Tewinga for the past 4 years. He is originally from the North East of England – County Durham. Ralph has been an Australian Citizen for a long time and remembers receiving a lamington and a native sapling tree as part of his citizenship. He planted the tree in his garden in Sydney, where he lived at the time.

Ralph lived for 10 years on the Gold Coast Hinterland where he built a house. When he decided to sell he wanted to move to a rural area between the Sunshine Coast in QLD and Coffs Harbour. Ralph spotted a property at Tewinga but didn't have a clue where it was 'or Bowraville for that matter' and relied on his Sat Nav to find it.

'I just really love music wherever I am'

He looked the 3 acres over and purchased it immediately, even though he didn't know anyone in the area! Ralph was not a farmer but wanted the space for his 2 Boxer dogs. Despite having 3 acres to play on, they preferred to be wherever Ralph was to be found—inside.

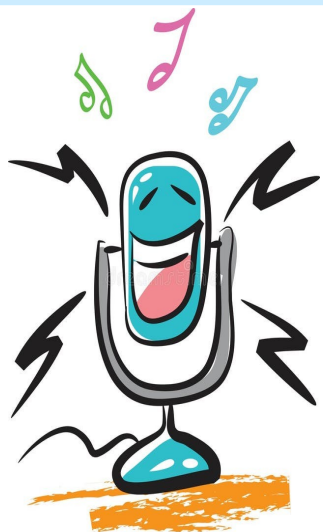
Music has always been a huge part of Ralph's life, 'I just really love music wherever I am in the world'. Ralph thinks he may be a 'frustrated musician' as he did try guitar playing but he couldn't 'wangle the frets very well'. He then tried his hand with a set of drums but found it was a bit antisocial with others in the house. In England, Ralph had been a Mobile DJ and PA hire – so music has always been in his blood. He used to drive past 2NVR every day until he decided, 'I'm going to give that a try!' He spoke to Nuke and joined in for a training course and has been with the 2NVR team for 3 years.

Ralph enjoys playing music that he likes and hopes listeners do as well. When he gets the odd phone call, 'it makes it all feel worthwhile and you feel like you are part of something that the community are enjoying.' He also has friends in the United Kingdom (UK) and Portugal who tune in to his program. So 'it's kind of a conversation' with his friends. Ralph has an eclectic music interest but his favourite is music with a bit of 'guts and rhythm' and describes himself as an 'old rocker'. But he likes to incorporate a lot of new stuff in his programs.

'The odd phone call makes it all feel worthwhile'

Ralph is a bit of a global traveler due to his Leadership work in major sporting events. He has worked on over 8 Olympic Games, FIFA World Cups, Rugby World Cup and Commonwealth Games. He is cutting back now and handing over to the younger generation who he has been mentoring. He believes he has a moral obligation to bring people through. He is planning a trip to the UK this year and the World Cup in Canada, US and Mexico next year. Ralph has lived and worked all over the world and now he's happy to be in Tewinga

Training Tips Revisited



Popping and Hissing Microphones: If you are too close to the microphone you may sound unusually loud. Hissing or popping noises may occur with P, T, S and Q. But if you are too far away from the microphone you may 'echo', sound far away, be difficult to understand and pick up unwanted sounds from the room.

Engage With Your Radio Station: Its a good idea to mention other people's shows in your broadcast to help maintain good working relationships. Listeners will engage for longer if they feel like they are part of a greater whole.



Pre-Read Scripts: Rehearsing is the best way to avoid mistakes.

Be Community Focused: Staying in touch with the community adds a personal touch and demonstrates a caring and interested attitude on air.



Air Check Your Show: It is worth listening back to the recording of your broadcast. You can hear what worked well, learn from any slip ups and decide what makes a great show.

Make Listeners Feel Special: Personally addressing the individual listener can foster a feeling of connection and companionship; addressing the audience as a single person rather than a whole. A good way to do this is to imagine someone you are talking to.

Some things to say to your audience:

1. The station name and your name
2. Say the Time—be a speaking clock about every 15 mins as a way to connect to listeners
3. Use the word 'you' whenever you refer to your audience "Thank you for listening"
4. Talk about the weather outside, how you are feeling and what you've seen outside.

Vocal Warm Ups

- Tongue Twisters (Pitter-patter, Tittle-tattle)
- Humming a note and hold for a few seconds
- Elevator Slides - 'ah', 'ee', 'ooh' (low to high)
- Lip Trills— blow air from your mouth/vibrate lips



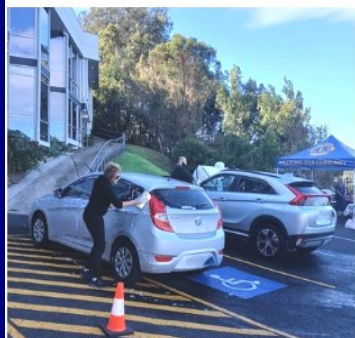
Out and About with 33 Blues at Winter Solstice Blues Festival



Congratulations Lizzie Wait for conducting her first radio interview with Ethan Stewart at the Winter Solstice Blues Festival at Telegraph Point, Old Butter Factory.



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Outside Broadcasting Nambucca RSL Fundraiser

Thank you to Donna, Luise and Linda who represented 2NVR at the Fundraiser community event held in July for RSL staff member Ray. The event raised \$5000.00.

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Rusty Iron Rally

Macksville Showground

September 6 & 7

