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The Level

Lofty Community Media Members Newsletter



A New Home for Lofty

Lofty is just about settled into our brand new premises in Totness. You've probably already been in and checked the place out, but just in case you missed something, here are the important details to know:

- We're now at 19 Crompton Road Totness
- Please arrange an induction session so you can pick up your keys (\$10 security deposit) and learn how to use the security system
- We share bathrooms and kitchen facilities with other tenants, so please be respectful and clean up after yourself - your mum (probably) doesn't work here
- Lofty parking is along the north side of the car park - that's the part overlooking the road
- At the new premises you'll find our studio, as well as a multi purpose room where we can hold meetings, conduct training, and there's even an editing suite set up so you can work on your recorded projects.

We're looking forward to some great times at our new home. Let us know what you think.

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Diary Dates

As always at this time of year there are lots of things happening. Put them in your diary so we can see your smiling face at our next gathering.

- Annual General Meeting. 7pm, Friday 19 November at the Littlehampton Peace Memorial Hall.
- End of year get-together. Coming soon!



Production Training

Lofty's new studios provide a space for you to record and edit your audio files. From a promo to your entire program, you can pop in and get it all done in one place.

Once you know how, it's easy to get all of your ideas recorded, packaged up, and uploaded to Lofty's system.

If you need some help to get started, get in touch with Kimberley to organise a training session. (Kimberley.Franklin@Lofty.org.au)



You could learn:

- what equipment and software you will need
- how to pre-record your program every week, or pre-record an emergency program in case you're unable to present live
- how to edit your pre-recorded program, or an old program from the logger, so that you can use it again
- how to record and mix a promo for your show with voice, music and sound effects, and what to do with the file once you've created it
- how to use programs and services like Audacity, Auphonic, FreeSound, and AMRAP to put it all together

Sponsor Spotlight

We love our Lofty sponsors, and they're so important to us. This month's fantastic sponsor is the Kiwanis Club of Mount Barker.

Did you know:

- Kiwanis is an international service club. Their motto is "Serving the Children of the World"
- Their activities help them to assist disadvantaged children and families in our community
- Kiwanis run the only book shop in the Adelaide Hills, east of Aldgate. It's a fantastic little shop in Mount Barker, and you can always be sure of finding a bargain while you're there.

Do you have something you'd like to include in future issues of **The Level**?

Send an email to info@lofty.org.au and let us know.



Kiwanis®

Sponsorship is really important to community radio stations around the world. It's one of the main ways we come up with the funds to do what we do. Sponsorship is a real partnership, where our sponsors help us out with funds, in exchange for a promotion of their business or organisation.

Talk to your favourite business and ask them if they'd like to learn more about sponsoring Lofty. Maybe they'd even like to sponsor your program! We have members who can help out at every stage of the sponsorship process, so start the conversation now.

THANKS :)

Thanks for your patience and help while we get settled in our new home. The positive feedback we've had so far has been fantastic.

If you can think of anything that could be done to make the new place even better, let us know. Just send an email to info@lofty.org.au or chat to one of our Board members.

Member Spotlight: Padma Ciel

In each edition of The Level we'll spotlight one of Lofty's amazing members, so you can get to know the locals, and maybe make a connection.

Padma Ciel presents Earth Angels at 10am on Friday, and takes a regular turn presenting It's a Chick Thing on Tuesday nights.

Padma has a background in theatre and film, and a deep love of French cinema. She's fascinated by Moliere, who often gave women lead roles in his plays. With a love of all things French, it's not a surprise that Padma spent almost five years living in France, working in film and theatre, and learning new ways of creating something special for the audience. As a follower of Tibetan Buddhism, she also spent some time in Buddhist monasteries while in France. It was here that she developed her interest in sound healing and Mongolian overtone singing.

Back in Australia, music became an important part of Padma's life, along with the Buddhist lifestyle. Soon she found herself part of the reformation of the Buddhist Society of SA, and publishing a regular newsletter for the Tibet Support Group, which supported Tibetan children living in refugee camps in India. She is now president of the Society.

Today, Padma spends some of her time writing music - mostly songs about animal activism, healing, and the teachings of the Buddha.

Padma said "I love being at lofty because it's wonderful to be part of community radio again after running a folk show on Radio Adelaide a long time ago. I love that lofty is bringing community together to talk about local topics events, etc. Lofty celebrates our Adelaide Hills volunteers who are helping others in the community. Having a local voice is important and a great opportunity for people to talk about topics close to their own hearts - community radio offers that. Get involved."

