2006 AUSTRALIAN COMMERCIAL RADIO AWARDS WINNERS

Please note: Category winners are denoted with the following letters: Country> Provincial>Non Metropolitan>Metropolitan

INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE AWARD – sponsored by Southern Cross Broadcasting

Grant Johnstone and Carmen Braidwood - "The Grant and Carmen Breakfast Show", Mixx FM, ACE Radio Broadcasters, Colac VIC

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Candice Bruzgulis - Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Sydney NSW NM Paul Rogers - SA FM, Austereo, Adelaide SA M

BEST NEWCOMER OFF-AIR

Amanda French - 101.9 Sea FM, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Maryborough QLD C Sunny Sengupta – Sea FM 90.9, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Gold Coast QLD P Sean Sowerby - "3AW Sport", 3AW 693, Southern Cross Broadcasting, Melbourne VIC M

BEST STATION SALES ACHIEVEMENT – sponsored by Nielsen Media Research

Sales Team - 5RM and Magic 93.1, Star Broadcasting Network, Riverland SA NM Philip Reid - 4BC / 4BH, Southern Cross Broadcasting, Brisbane QLD M

BEST SALES PROMOTION

David Bye – "Tinny Full of Tinnies", 5RM / Magic FM, Star Broadcasting Network, Riverland SA C
Star 1045 Promotions and Breakfast Team – "Star 1045's Wedding Crashers", Star 1045, DMG Radio Australia, Erina NSW P
Alexandria Gillett – "Pepsi Max Confessions", Nova 100, DMG Radio Australia, Melbourne VIC M

BEST STATION PRODUCED COMMERCIAL

Nick Lowther – "Secret Agent Col Matthews Motors", 2MG / Real FM, Super Network, Mudgee NSW C

Bill Bailey and David Horspool – "Mackay Family Funerals", 107.7 2GO, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Central Coast NSW P Rob Sharples - "Timmy - NEC", 2Day FM, Austereo, Sydney NSW M

BEST NEWCOMER ON-AIR - sponsored by Macquarie Radio Network

Includes the presentation of the Macquarie Radio Network Encouragement Award
Louise Poole – Gem FM, Super Network, Inverell NSW C – winner of Macquarie Radio Network Encouragement Award Michael Etheridge - The Edge 96.1, Australian Radio Network, West Sydney NSW P Ryan Fitzgerald - Nova 91.9, DMG Radio Australia, Adelaide SA M

BRIAN WHITE MEMORIAL AWARD

No Brian White Memorial Trophy will be awarded in the country and provincial divisions in 2006. Clinton Maynard - 2UE, Southern Cross Broadcasting, Sydney NSW M

COMMERCIAL RADIO AUSTRALIA - HALL OF FAME

Frank Hyde

BEST NETWORKED PROGRAM

Brendan McIntosh - "The Nitemix Hot 30", Mixx FM, ACE Radio Broadcasters, Hamilton VIC C Age and Renee – "The List with Age and Renee", Sea FM 90.9, Macquarie Regional Radioworks P
Kyle and Jackie O – "The Kyle and Jackie O – Hour of Power", 2Day FM, Austereo, Sydney NSW M

BEST SYNDICATED AUSTRALIAN PROGRAM

MCM Entertainment - "My Generation", Melbourne VIC

ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AWARD – sponsored by United Group Infrastructure - Comsyst

Includes the presentation of the Max Wilson Engineering Excellence Award Ross Forglone and Innovation Team - "Launchpod - Podcasting Upload Services", Austereo - winner of Max Wilson trip

BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN PRODUCTION – sponsored by The Bridge Network

Michael Pfeiffer - 3YB / Coast FM, ACE Radio Broadcasters, Warrnambool VIC C Ben Abbott - Sea FM 100.9, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Hobart TAS P Sideshow Mike Andersen - Triple M, Austereo, Sydney NSW M

BEST STATION PROMOTION

Rick Knight and Lauren Williams – "STAR FM Star Search", 93.9 Star FM, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Young NSW C Sea FM - "Bridget's Life Swap", Sea FM Sunshine Coast, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Sunshine Coast QLD P 92.9's Ben Cousins Fun Run - 92.9 FM, Austereo, Perth WA M

BEST STATION PRODUCED COMEDY SEGMENT

Kewy and Dazza – "Where the Bloody Hell are We", 93.5 Star FM, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Dubbo NSW C Christopher Welldon and Daniel Bozykowski - "Bank Phone Survey", Canberra's 104.7, Austereo / Australian Radio Network, Canberra ACT P

Jon Blake - "International Talk Like a Pirate Day", Fiveaa, DMG Radio Australia, Adelaide SA M

BEST PROMOTIONS DIRECTOR

Steve White – Sea FM / Mix FM Sunshine Coast, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Sunshine Coast QLD NM Melanie Lindquist – Triple M, Austereo, Brisbane QLD M

BEST MUSIC DIRECTOR – sponsored by The Music Network

Includes the presentation of the Best Music Director Scholarship

Jessica Hinchliffe – 1503 2BS Gold / B-Rock FM 99.3, Bathurst Broadcasters, Bathurst NSW C

Al Dobie – 102.9 Hot Tomato, Hot Tomato, Gold Coast QLD P

Scott Baker–Smith – Fox FM, Austereo, Melbourne VIC M – winner of Best Music Director Scholarship trip

MOST POPULAR STATION MANAGER - sponsored by Australian Super

Vin Dawes – Hot FM / Radiowest, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Narrogin WA C
Peter Upton – Sea FM / Hot FM, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Rockhampton QLD P
Steve Rowe – Mix 102.3 / Cruise 1323, Australian Radio Network, Adelaide SA M

BEST SPORTS EVENT COVERAGE

Alex Dean, Tim Gilbert, Susie Thompson, Alan Hunter & Craig Foster – "The A-League Grand Final", Star 1045, DMG Radio Australia, Erina NSW NM
3AW Football Team – "AFL Finals Series 2005", 3AW 693, Southern Cross Broadcasting, Melbourne VIC M

BEST SPORTS PRESENTER

Geoff Mann – 2DU, Super Network, Dubbo NSW C
Beth Rep – 95.5 K-Rock, Grant Broadcasting, Geelong VIC P
Andrew Martin – Nova 969, DMG Radio Australia, Sydney NSW M

BEST PROGRAM DIRECTOR – sponsored by Arbitron

Jon Vertigan – Coast FM, ACE Radio Broadcasters, Warrnambool, VIC C
Jason Matthews – 92.5 Gold FM / Sea FM 90.9, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Gold Coast QLD P
Greg Cary – 4BC, Southern Cross Broadcasting, Brisbane QLD M
Adam Williscroft – Nova 106.9, DMG Radio Australia, Brisbane QLD M

BEST MUSIC SPECIAL

Cheryl Lardner and David Bye – "Retrober", Magic FM, Star Broadcasting, Riverland SA C
Erin Miller and Daniel Bozykowski – "3 Decades in 3 Days", Mix 106.3, Austereo / Australian Radio Network, Canberra ACT P
Grant Tothill, Sideshow Mike Andersen, Byron Cooke & Mike Fitzpatrick – "Live 8", Triple M, Austereo, Sydney NSW M

BEST DOCUMENTARY

Marc McCreadie and Lee Dixon – "75 Years of 7LA", 7LA, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Launceston TAS NM Sideshow Mike Andersen – "Rememberance Day", Triple M, Austereo, Sydney NSW M

BEST COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Eagle FM – "Blair at Brekkie Christmas Appeal", Eagle FM 93.5, Capital Radio, Goulburn NSW C
92.7 Mix FM – "Radford's Rescue", 92.7 Mix FM Sunshine Coast, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Sunshine Coast QLD P
Ben Latimer and David Smith – "Mix 106.5's Variety Kid's Radiothon", Mix 106.5, Australian Radio Network, Sydney NSW M

BEST NEWS PRESENTER

Jennifer Menchin – 1503 2BS Gold, Bathurst Broadcasters, Bathurst NSW C
Rod McLeod – 92.5 Gold FM, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Gold Coast QLD P
Monique Dews – Nova 969, DMG Radio Australia, Sydney NSW M (FM)
Rowan Barker – 2GB, Macquarie Radio Network, Sydney NSW M (AM)

BEST MUSIC PERSONALITY – sponsored by RCS Australia

Matthew O'Reilly – 101.9 Sea FM, Macquarie Regional Radioworks, Maryborough QLD C Lynne Hayes – Star 1045, DMG Radio Australia, Erina NSW P Bianca Dye – Nova 969, DMG Radio Australia, Sydney NSW M

BEST CURRENT AFFAIRS COMMENTATOR

Ray Hadley - "Ray Hadley Morning Show", 2GB, Macquarie Radio Network, Sydney NSW

BEST TALK PRESENTER

Matt Conlan – "Territory Today", 8HA, Alice Springs Broadcasters, Alice Springs, NT C

John MacKenzie – Easy Mix 846, Elmie Investments, Cairns QLD P

Neil Mitchell – "3AW Morning Program", 3AW 693 Southern Cross Broadcasting, Melbourne VIC M

BEST ON-AIR TEAM

Grant Johnstone and Carmen Braidwood – "The Grant and Carmen Breakfast Show", Mixx FM, ACE Radio Broadcasters, Colac VIC C Phebe Irwin and Dave Gorr – "The Big Breakfast with Phebe and Dave", Wave 96.5 FM, Grant Broadcasting, Wollongong NSW P The Kyle and Jackie O Show – "The Kyle and Jackie O Show", 2Day FM, Austereo, Sydney NSW M