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#### MORE AUSSIE RADIO STARS

Look out for 3HA Hamilton, 3SH Swan Hill and 3TR Sale [Gippsland] shortly as we approach the end of our first major Aussie Radio heritage series, to be followed by 2DU Dubbo and 2GN Goulburn as well. A few more then will round off this popular series of Long Lost Australian Radio Stars. We're now looking for people willing to help sponsor our second series.... featuring hundreds of Australian Radio Pioneers.... and promising to be just as popular. Email [info@radioheritage.net](mailto:info@radioheritage.net) if you can help out.....

#### WVUV SAMOA PIONEER VISITS

The last of the AFRS radio WWII callsigns lives on in American Samoa as WVUV-FM.. and Homer Willess, who set up the station way back in the 1940s will be making a visit back to the island shortly with his family. We're grateful to Larry Fuss [WVUV-FM owner] and his local team for making Homer welcome. It's not often you get to the meet the station founder! Check out Homer's romantic Samoan story today at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com)..... 'WVUV Radio Romance'.....

#### SALUTE OUR SPONSORS

##### **\*Apex Car Rentals\***

Apex Rental Cars [[www.apexrentals.co.nz](http://www.apexrentals.co.nz)] have supported us for several years, helping our Kiwi Radio Campaign and are recognized as the only high level Patron status sponsor on our Roll of Honor.

Starting out as a small operation in Christchurch, they now have the largest modern fleet of rental cars in New Zealand, a new branch in Brisbane [Australia], and tick all the boxes with innovative use of technology to make renting real easy.

Phil and his team have battled through the recent Christchurch earthquakes... they lost their city office..... so support a good local company. Good prices, all inclusive simple to understand deals, and from personal experience, friendly, efficient and very nice folks to know.

For your next rental car hire in New Zealand [or Brisbane], we highly recommend Apex Car Rentals [[www.apexrentals.co.nz](http://www.apexrentals.co.nz)] and tell them 'Dave & Jo at the Radio Heritage Foundation sent us' when booking!

#### HELPING OTHERS

We get many calls for advice.. and we try and help where we can, although we could do much more with our collections digitized. Recent examples include genealogy research looking for a ventriloquist who performed on 5AD [Adelaide, Australia] in the 1940's, recommendations for the future of public radio in the Mariana Islands, details of KGER [Long Beach CA] broadcasts in the 1930s and looking for an old piano teacher who sang on Australia's ABC radio in the 1950's.....

Want some personal research done? A donation of US\$25 covers an hour [annual supporters get a 25% discount on our rates].... just write with your question today to [info@radioheritage.net](mailto:info@radioheritage.net) and we'll do our best to get you sorted.....

#### EUROPEAN CRISIS RESOLVED!

Thanks to Herman Boel in Flanders [Belgium], we recently added many hundreds of items from his European AM & Longwave history project - features, old station lists, a lot of audio of rare broadcasts, station IDs and lots of images - because he no longer had time to maintain this immense collection. It now has a new home at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com). We'll be adding to this material.....

#### TOP 5 RADIO BOOKS FOR AUGUST

- #1 Making Radio
- #2 Wireless Empire
- #3 ARRL's Antenna Classics
- #4 Pop Culture China!
- #5 An Air War with Cuba

These great summer [or winter] reads at good prices from our bookstores at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com).. over 200 hand picked radio books.....

#### WIN over 80 HOURS of THE PACIFIC STORY Fabulous American Old Time Radio Series

Our good friends at OTRCAT have joined with us to bring you THREE chances to win this fabulous collection of 170 episodes of the incredible PACIFIC STORY radio series... back to the days of fast ocean liners, PanAm clippers, exotic seaports, and tales that take you around the beautiful islands and lands encircling the Pacific.....

You'll find full details of this fantastic new competition online at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com) within the next few days... in the meantime, check out the OTRCAT link at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com) to find how to get thousands of hours of vintage radio shows today at the very best possible prices.... look for the OTRCAT link just above our Social Networks header on the righthand side of every page....

#### NEW ZEALAND LPFM RADIO NEWS

With over 1,600 entries, the NZLPFM Radio Guide at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com) is THE guide to the wonderful world of local radio.. updated daily..... and lots of new station profiles now

online:

\* Tongan Radio in Auckland \* Radio Ngakuta Bay \* Swiss Mixx 106.9 Wanganui \* Mamaku School 88.4 \* BOLT 88.3 Bedroom Radio \* Fevah FM Hits Hamilton \* TAS 88.1 Taihape \* Hollah FM Porirua \* Ifinity FM 87.7 \* Botany 107.1 \* The Yak 107.1

We'll shortly be adding One Eyed FM Rebuilds - the inspirational story of Johnny Miller whose original radio station was destroyed in the Christchurch earthquakes - and how he has overcome a string of personal challenges since February to bring his easy listening brand of local radio to Wellington....

#### \$4600 DEBT CRISIS LOOMS

Since January, our supporters worldwide have donated some 50% of our weekly operational overheads. Thank you so much..without this real help, we couldn't continue. Although we're 100% volunteer run, we still have to meet the bills for our share of office and operating costs and we really need your help this month so we can demonstrate to our bank manager that there really is ongoing financial support to meet these costs.

We need just on US\$4600 to bring us up to date to the end of July.. so if you like all the features at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com) and believe that what we're doing is useful, educational, even entertaining..... and can help us bring our bills under control this month..... then please consider making a donation or personal gift today.

You will be acknowledged on our online Roll of Honor and larger gifts can also be recognized as sponsorship towards our hundreds of features already online such as AFRS Memories, Long Lost Australian Radio Stars, Kiwi Radio Campaign and many more.

\*\*\*\*Credit card donations [VISA/Mastercard] can be made instantly online at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com) and donations from New Zealand tax residents are one-third refundable.\*\*\*\*

A reminder we are not funded by any government, the broadcasting industry, bequests, other charitable foundations or business.... several of our directors have been fully funding these weekly costs for many years but can no longer meet the full level of funding needed..... your donation does make a difference.

Thank you for helping us protect and promote radio heritage and please write and tell us how we can improve, and if you have your own or family stories, audio, photos, memories or more to share..... we'd like to hear from you!

THANKS!!

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We have also produced over 40 radio documentaries for RNZI, maintain the PAL Radio Guides for AM, FM & Shortwave radio in the Asia-Pacific region, and are official contributors maintaining over 25 detailed Pacific radio country profiles for the World Radio TV Handbook.

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PS...remember to enter to win our fabulous Pacific Story competition in association with OTRCAT [full details at [www.radioheritage.com](http://www.radioheritage.com) later this week].....