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Radio Caroline (or Mi Amigo), Rado, Playa de Aro, Province of Gerona, Spain.

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THE RETURN OF RADIO LAXY - FOR HOW LONG? ? ?... (AND THE MYSTERY LIVES ON.....)

This is indeed a very mysterious station. The first broadcast we have recorded of it in our logbook is Sunday 18th April 1971 on 217 metres. The transmission went from 1.00-1.30pm. We state this with great accuracy because we had to consult a 1971 diary! The next note we have is Sunday 1st October '75 (pause), 9th November 1975 (another pause), then Radio Laxy made a re-appearance on Saturday 16th May 1976 at 1.00pm and has been coming on regularly, so-far.

Now I said earlier on that R. Laxy is a mysterious station. In what way, one might ask?? Well it's this. The rumours that have been circulating regarding the origin of this station are very strange. Some say that the station was on air as early as 1940 - which would make it the first "pirate" ever to broadcast here in Ireland. Still on the air now? That's a record!!

The choice of music of the presenter (who, by the way, does not use or give any name) is mainly 'Old Time' music. For instance, during a broadcast in mid-May of this year he played a 'Pre-electric' record-the first in Ireland.....dating back to 1910! But the thing that mystifies us most of all is the numerous requests he plays during a broadcast, and not even one 'phone number or mailing address read out!

If anyone has any information on this station, or indeed if any friends of the presenter read this, then please get in touch with the Editor now and help solve the Radio Laxy mystery!!!!

'FREE RADIO FOCUS' - The mag with all the latest F.R. news. Single copies cost 10p plus an I.R.C. A subscription for 6 issues: £1.10 (U.K.), or £1.30 for Europe, both include postage. It's available now from: F.O.R.P., 49 West Way, Lancing, Sussex, England.

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THE START OF PREMIER RADIO - 212, 218 and 222 METRES.....

First heard in the Dublin area, on Sunday 9th May '76 on 212 metres from 3.15-4.30pm - with a weak signal and no I.D. The following Sun (16th) at 12.30pm the first official broadcast from Premier Radio began. This time on 218m. It was not a success however because of a strong heterodyne caused by Capitol Radio on nearby 220 metres - who were also testing. Premier Radio came on the air again on Sunday 23rd May for a very short programme from 4.30-5.00pm, this time moved to 222 metres!!!

Nothing more has been heard of this station. It's believed they had a bit of hassle with the P.O. Since then they've changed their first mailing address (from which we've had no reply) to that of Radio Dublin - 90 Parnell, Dublin 6, Ireland (just down the road from here!!). More news in the October Edition of 'NEWSLETTER'.

'FREE RADIO SUPPORTER' - The magazine for Free Radio enthusiasts. It's published by the Free Radio League in Norway and it's all about landbased pirate radio. The magazine is published 6 times a year and includes regularly, features like: QSL Corner, QSL Of The Month, From The Press, Mailbag and DX Reports. A years subscription is just 15.- Norwegian Kroner (or 12 I.R.C's). For more information or sample copy drop a line (plus an I.R.C.) to: P.O. Box 46, N-5650 Surnadal, Norway.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

Are any of your friends Free Radio Campaigners, too? Don't keep a good thing to yourself - tell them about FREE RADIO CAMPAIGN - IRELAND and get them to join too. Remember, the more members and subscriptions we receive, the bigger your F.R.C.I. 'NEWSLETTER' can become!! A single copy costs 20p - plus an I.R.C. - or a years subscription (4 issues) is just £1.

Comments, suggestions, Free Radio news and of course new members are always very welcome.
Send all correspondence to: F.R.C. Ireland, 53 Charleston Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6, Ireland.

That ends F.R.C.I. 'NEWSLETTER' No2 - No3 will be out in October. Meanwhile why not glance over our list of promotional material?
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- (1). The Ed Mac Dowell Show on Capitol Radio.
Details: The last show before Post Office raid. Includes at beginning Capitol's "Christmas Promo". Good quality records and jingles. Broadcast: Dec. 21st 1975, at 12 noon on 220m M.W.
Sound quality: A. (STUDIO TAPE) Time 40 mins. Price £1.75. (X).
- (2). Capitol's Last Transmission after raid, 28th December 1975.
Details: Capitol Radio was raided on Sunday 21st, but they were on again the following Sunday. This tape explains what happened, as told by the D.J's.
Sound quality: C. Time 30 mins. Price £1.20. (X).
- (3). Radio Dublin Announcing Raid by Post Office on Capitol.
Details: Extracts from the Dr. Don Show in which he explains what happened to Capitol and plays taped extracts from Capitol's last transmission.
Broadcast: December 28th 1975, at 1.30pm on 253m M.W.
Sound quality: B. Time 30 mins. Price £1.75. (X).
- (4). Capitol Radio Jingles!!!
Details: Hitpicks, Station I.D's, Album Reviews, Listen-to-the-music, Capitol No 1, Hitmaker, Solid Gold, The Music Machine, Capitol Flashback....and many more. All used by the D.J'S of Capitol Radio on 220m M.W. Bonus extra of "Capitol Programme Promotions".
Sound quality: A. (STUDIO TAPE) Time 30 mins (approx.) Price £2.00. (X).
- (5). The Dr. Don Show on Radio Dublin.
Details: Chat (lots), music, and jingles from Dublin's only surviving Free Radio Station.
Broadcast: February 22nd 1976 at 1.30pm on 253m M.W.
Sound quality: B. Time 30 mins (approx) Price £1.10. (X).
- (6). 'Old Time' Music from Radio Laxy.
Details: Dublin's only 'Old Time' music Free Radio Station (Mystery Presenter!).
Broadcast: May 22nd 1976 at 1.00pm on 217m M.W.
Sound quality: C. Time 45 mins. Price £1.20. (X).

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Drawing of the M.V. Mi Amigo with setting sun in background. (Rather colourful!!) Price: 25p. This includes postage. But hurry, limited supply!

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This is list (2) and supersedes list (1). Next list included in October edition of 'NEWSLETTER'.
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