

March 3rd 2002



Hi dear radio friends. Not too much news to bring in February and also I had a shortage of time. My new book was released and so a lot of promotion work had to be done. Also on Saturday March 2nd there was the Annual international Radio Day in Amsterdam, which takes a lot of time organising it.

But here we go with some bits and pieces. First of all I was working on a new series of articles, which will be published later this year and did extensive research. One of the Magazines I used was from 1965. In this I found an advertisement which I hadn't seen earlier, or which didn't attract my attention till now. It was a promotion for a newly founded Dutch section of the Radio Caroline Club in England. Readers could send in some 2.50 Dutch guilders, for which they got the fan club magazine and some Caroline promotion material. And now the sense of this all is the address given in the advertisement. It read PO Box 117 in Hilversum. And some 6 years later this address became the official RNI address. Well the editor of the Magazine, in which the advert was, was no one else than Guus Jansen jr. The later big boss of Strengtholt Company, which was later the owner of the Dutch Radio Noordzee.

11.2 Today Graham Gill again on Dutch cable Radio Caroline and it was very nice to hear he had a short telephone call with Tony Allan. More than 25 years ago they were heard for the last time together on the English Radio Caroline.

15.2 Today it was announced that the owners of Radio 192 have found two new deejays for their programmes. Every Saturday between 10 and 12 AM Cees van Zijtveld will be presenting a program. He was with Veronica in the sixties and then went on to AVRO, where he has been working till lately. The other newcomer is Tom

Blom, a former

AVRO, NOS and Radio Noordzee FM presenter. He can be heard every Sunday afternoon between 2 and 5. Ted Bouwens, former RNI deejay, who did the weekday's program between 13.00 and 14.00 h left the station due to private reasons.

19.2 Today Herbie the Fish phoned with Malcolm Smith, aka Peter Moore, and with Mart Roumen (former RCD in Holland) and remembered them that on this day it is exactly 12,5 years ago the raid on the Ross Revenge took place. They didn't know it and so Herbert 'raided them' with it.

Early on Friday morning 22nd at the age of 59 Freek Simon died. In 1968 it was Joost den Draaier who arranged that Simon would be a newsreader for Veronica. He stayed until 1973 when he worked for Dutch ANP and later for the TROS, where he had a job until today. He was also famous due to his very good voice and could be heard in several promos as well as doing voice overs for Dutch TELEAC (Educational Television).

From Sunday March 3rd every Sunday between 10 and 11 CET there will be a new program on Radio 10FM in presentation of Tom Mulder. The Greatest Movie Hits of all time will bring acting singers and singing actors as well as the biggest hits from the movie screens.

ID&T a company which main target until now is organising dance parties, wants to start an own radio and television station in Holland. Not only dance music but also life style programmes are planned. They tried to cooperate with other organisations, but in vain, so they now want to try it on their own.

Radio 40 is the name of a new radio station, which will start on April 2nd on cable networks in Holland. Main target are the baby boomers and the older people. This initiative started after the failure of the

Senioren Omroep Nederland last year. In the persons of Willem Duys, Skip Voogd and Herman Emmink they found three presentators who have all more than 4 decades of experiences in radio. Easy listening music and Jazz will be the most important choices on Radio 40.

That ends the news for today.

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