Welcome to our new edition of Airwaves. Grab a cuppa, read & enjoy!



We can't thank you enough!

Our mid-year appeal was a little different this year, initially running over 15 days from May 18 to June 1. The goal was to raise \$150,000 in those 15 days. It was always ambitious!

The 15 days were "book-ended" by two Open Days, where we welcomed guests into the studios and offices, giving them a behind-the-scenes look at Rhema.CC.

At midnight on June 1 the tally stood at just short of \$75,000, so we were half way there.

We made the decision to pause the appeal for a couple of weeks, both to give our listeners a breather, and to take some time to wait on God for the next steps.

Donations did continue to trickle in, which was encouraging, and we felt led to finish off with the final week of June being a "Mid-Year Appeal Encore". The focus was to remind people of the need and give a final opportunity to make a tax-deductible gift to the appeal.

We also wanted to celebrate our dedicated team and faithful supporters, so we hosted an Appreciation Day on Saturday 29 June, and again opened the doors to anyone who wanted to visit and share in the day.

It was a lovely time of fellowship and celebration, as we continued to receive donations from listeners toward the appeal target.

By the end of June 30 the tally had climbed to \$126,000! We feel so blessed! While not quite at the target, it is still the most we have ever raised in an appeal, and we're confident our faithful Father will deal with the shortfall in whatever way He chooses.

So our heartfelt thanks to everyone who gave, everyone who helped, and everyone who prayed! As the theme of the appeal stated, we're in this together!

You make it possible for us to do what we are called to do.

Our God is so good!



We're continuing to introduce you to the team that makes Rhema.CC tick! In this issue we catch up with our longest serving volunteer announcer, **Phil Rogers**!



- **1. Favourite food:** Chicken Korma (you can tell he's English, right?)
- 2. Why Rhema CC?: It is a light in the darkness!
- **3.** Highlights of your time with Rhema: As one of the "oldies" I remember the way we started in a broom cupboard (well, that's what it felt like) in William Street. I now look at our new premises and it reminds me of how faithful God is and how he provides for our needs.
- **4. Hopes for the future with Rhema:** I'm intrigued to see where God will lead us.

Out & About

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Once again we've been getting out amongst our community!

We had a great time with our pop-up studio broadcasting from the Salvo's Oasis Wyong YouthFest day. They're doing some fabulous work amongst vulnerable youth and it's good to be able to support it.

Our premier screening of "Unsung Hero" was well attended. It's the story of the Smallbone family's relocation to the USA in the '90s, leading to the careers of their daughter Rebecca St James and sons

Joel & Luke aka "For King & Country".

We also had a stand at the Volunteering Central Coast Expo at



Erina Fair and made some good connections both with other agencies and potential volunteers.



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