

WINNERS FOR 2008 AUSTRALIAN COMMERCIAL RADIO AWARDS (ACRAs)

Please note: Category Finalists are denoted with the following letters: **C**ountry>**P**rovincial>**N**on**M**etropolitan>**M**etropolitan

BEST ON-AIR TEAM

The Juice with Jase and Josh, Jason Scheidl and Josh Torney, 96.1 Star FM, Mount Gambier, SA, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Scotty and Nige for Breakfast, Scott Masters and Nigel Johnson, FM 104.7, Canberra, ACT, ARN/ Austereo **P**
The Hamish and Andy Show, Fox FM 101.9, Melbourne, VIC, Austereo **M**

BEST TALK PRESENTER

Craig Huth, 2RE, Taree, NSW, Super Network **C**
Mike Welsh, Mike Welsh Drive Show, 2CC, Canberra, ACT, Capital Radio **P**
Neil Mitchell, 3AW Morning, 3AW, Melbourne, VIC, Fairfax Radio Network **M**

BEST MUSIC PERSONALITY

Cameron Williams, 97.7 Snow FM, Cooma, NSW, Capital Radio **C**
Peter 'Scooter' Carter, Sea FM, Sunshine Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Mike Fitzpatrick, Triple M, Melbourne, VIC, Austereo **M**

BEST CURRENT AFFAIRS COMMENTATOR

Derryn Hinch, 3AW, Melbourne, VIC, Fairfax Radio Network

BRIAN WHITE MEMORIAL AWARD

Laura Tunstall, 2GB, Sydney, NSW, Macquarie Radio Network

BEST SPORTS PRESENTER

Geoff Mann, 2DU Sports, 2DU, Dubbo, NSW, Super Network **C**
Steve Allan, 2GO Good Sports, 2GO FM 107.7, Gosford, NSW, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Ray Hadley, 2GB Sports, 2GB, Sydney, NSW, Macquarie Radio Network **M**

BEST NEWS PRESENTER

Lois Chislett, 3YB, Warrnambool, VIC, ACE Radio Broadcasters **C**
Rod McLeod, 92.5 Gold FM, Gold Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Steve Blanda, 2UE, Sydney, NSW, Fairfax Radio Network (AM) **M**
Kristy Warner, Nova 969, Sydney, NSW, DMG Radio Australia (FM) **M**

BEST PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Damien 'Will' Willoughby, 93.5 Star FM, Dubbo, NSW, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Andrew Very, KO FM/ NX FM, Newcastle, NSW, Austereo **P**
Jamie Angel, 2Day FM, Sydney, NSW, Austereo **M**

BEST MUSIC DIRECTOR

Karina Singer, Sea FM, Maryborough, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Olivia Belvedere, 90.9 Sea FM, Gold Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Kate Casey, Nova106.9, Brisbane, QLD, DMG Radio Australia **M TRIP**

BEST SHOW PRODUCER – ENTERTAINMENT & MUSIC

Chae Rogan, The Bigger Breakfast, 96.5 Wave FM, Wollongong, NSW, Grant Broadcasting **NM**
Sam Cavanagh, The Hamish and Andy Show, Fox FM 101.9, Melbourne, VIC, Austereo **M**

BEST SHOW PRODUCER – TALK & CURRENT AFFAIRS

Michael Thompson, Mike Welsh Drive Show, 2CC, Canberra, ACT, Capital Radio **NM**
Justin Smith, 3AW Mornings - Neil Mitchell, 3AW, Melbourne, VIC, Fairfax Radio Network **M**

BEST DOCUMENTARY

The Killer Highway, Brooklyn Hulands, 2EC/ Power FM, Bega, NSW, Grant Broadcasting **NM HIGHLY COMMENDED**
Remembrance Day, Sideshow Mike Andersen, Triple M, Sydney, NSW, Austereo **M**

BEST MUSIC SPECIAL

The Life and Times of Michael Hutchence, The Sea FM Morning Crew, Sea FM, Bundaberg, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Blue Suede Cadillac - 51 Years of Elvis, Rob Sharples and Lachlan Kitchen, i98, Wollongong, NSW, Win Corporation **P**
Jabba and Foo Fighters, Stefan Mitchell and Daniel Pearson, Nova 969, Sydney, NSW, DMG Radio Australia **M**

BEST SPORTS EVENT COVERAGE

2007 South West Football League Finals Series, Daniel Leach, 6TZ RadioWest, Bunbury, WA, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **NM**
Melbourne's New Home of Footy, 1116 SEN Football, 1116 SEN, Melbourne, VIC, Victorian Radio Network **M**

BEST STATION PRODUCED COMMERCIAL

Get the Right Translation - Books Plus, Katrina Brown and Christopher Baskerville, 1503 2BS Gold/ B-Rock FM 99.3, Bathurst, NSW, Bathurst Broadcasters **C**
Chooks Chickens - The Movies, Rob Sharples and Clinton James, i98, Wollongong, NSW, Win Corporation **P**
QLD Racing 'Jockeys', Nathan Russell, Nova 106.9, Brisbane, QLD, DMG Radio Australia **M**

BEST PROMOTIONS DIRECTOR

Tania Kimmins, i98, Wollongong, NSW, Win Corporation **NM**
Kate Edwards, 2GB/ 2CH, Sydney, NSW, Macquarie Radio Network **M**

BEST STATION PROMOTION

Counting Down the Countdowns, David Bauche and Louise Poole, 2NM, Muswellbrook, NSW, Grant Broadcasting **C**
NX FM's Save Wayne Campaign, NX FM Promotions Team, NX FM, Newcastle, NSW, Austereo **P**
Caravan of Courage, The Hamish and Andy Show, Fox FM 101.9, Melbourne, VIC, Austereo **M**

BEST STATION PRODUCED COMEDY SEGMENT

Ben Cousins Nasal Delivery, David Greensmith, Sea FM, Maryborough, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Organ Donation, Luke Bradnam, 102.9 FM, Gold Coast, QLD, Hot Tomato **P**
Help I'm An Ant, Matt Hale, 96 FM, Perth, WA, Fairfax Radio Network **M**

BEST NETWORKED PROGRAM

The Dirty 30, Trent McCurdy, ACE Radio Broadcasters **C**
The Benchwarmers, Ant and Becks, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
The Hamish and Andy Show, Today Network, Austereo **M**

BEST SYNDICATED AUSTRALIAN PROGRAM

Cover to Cover, MCM Entertainment, Melbourne, VIC

BEST STATION SALES ACHIEVEMENT

Esperance Radio Centre, 747 RadioWest, Esperance, WA, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Flow FM Sales Team, Flow FM, Kapunda, SA, W&L Phillips **P**
Radio 4BC Sales Team, 4BC, Brisbane, QLD, Fairfax Radio Network **M**

BEST AGENCY SALESPERSON

Paul Friend, Sydney, NSW, Regional Mediaworks, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **NM**
Melody Rowe, Mix 102.3, Adelaide, SA, Australian Radio Network **M**

BEST DIRECT SALESPERSON

Jenni Puccini, 6MM/ Coast FM, Mandurah, WA, West Coast Radio **C**
Michelle Imbruglia, 90.9 Sea FM, Gold Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Sean Jenkins, Nova 969, Sydney, NSW, DMG Radio Australia **M**

BEST SALES PROMOTION

Mount Gambier 4 Hour Sale, Rosangela Crispino, 5SE/ 96.1 Star FM, Mount Gambier, SA, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Sea FM's Brain Freeze with McDonald's Frozen Coke, 90.9 Sea FM, Gold Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Unilever 'Win a Desperate Housewives House' Promotion, Scott Player, 2Day FM, Sydney, NSW, Austereo **M**

BEST COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Plasma For A Plasma, Liana Lambert and Stephany Winter, Sea FM, Bundaberg, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Marty and Erica's Camp Quality Convoy for Kids, Marty Haynes, Erica Hodge and Tania Kimmins, i98, Wollongong, NSW, Win Corporation **P**
Girls Bike Convoy, Merrick Watts, Tim Ross, Kate Ritchie, Tim Dwyer and Emily Murch, Nova 969, Sydney, NSW, DMG Radio Australia **M**

BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN PRODUCTION

Trent McCurdy, 3WM/ Mixx FM, Horsham, VIC, ACE Radio Broadcasters **C**
Mike Young, The Edge 96.1, Western Sydney, NSW, Australian Radio Network **P**
Sideshow Mike Andersen, Triple M, Sydney, NSW, Austereo **M**

ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE

John Pearce, Paperless Creative Production, Sea FM 101.3/ 2GO FM 107.7, Gosford, NSW, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **NM**
Bryan Amos, Payout System Remote Audio Import System, Triple M Network, Austereo **M TRIP**

BEST MULTIMEDIA EXECUTION

The Thank You Project, Eric Stephens and Claudine Hall, Mix FM Network, Australian Radio Network **SALES - \$5K CASH**
Matt and Jo's Nude Wedding, Fox FM 101.9, Melbourne, VIC, Austereo **STATION - \$5K CASH**

MOST POPULAR STATION MANAGER

Paul Gadsen, 3SH/ Mixx FM, Swan Hill, VIC, ACE Radio Broadcasters **C**
John Williams, Sea FM/ 92.7 Mix FM, Sunshine Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Richard Barker, B105/ Triple M, Brisbane, QLD, Austereo **M**

BEST NEWCOMER ON-AIR

Simone Jade Kelly, FM 104.7, Grafton, NSW, Super Network **C**
Brad Blissett, Sea FM, Sunshine Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P**
Ian 'Dicko' Dickson, Vega 91.5, Melbourne, VIC, DMG Radio Australia **M**

BEST NEWCOMER OFF-AIR

Josie Hand, 93.5 Star FM, Dubbo, NSW, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **C**
Rebecca Bell, 92.7 Mix FM, Sunshine Coast, QLD, Macquarie Southern Cross Media **P MATT ELLIS AWARD**
Jacqueline Levett, 2UE, Sydney, NSW, Fairfax Radio Network **M**