

Press Release

Gosport's Radio Haslar

Radio Haslar has been broadcasting to the Royal Hospital Haslar since 14 March 1993, but with the impending closure of the Royal Hospital in July, Radio Haslar is pulling out its plugs at its site next to the Royal Hospital, and moving to new studios at Bury House, Gosport, next to the War Memorial Hospital.

Radio Haslar will continue to serve the War Memorial Hospital from the new site, but broadcasting to the Royal Hospital will cease on 21 February 2009 at 12.00 Midday.

There will be special final day programmes from 09.00 until the close down at 12.00 and special guests, being people who have made an impact on the Radio Station have been invited.

A final request team will be touring the wards to interview patients and to get their final requests, and hopefully broadcast the interviews live on air.

The final programme will be a nostalgic look back at the past 16 years of broadcasting and poignant music will be played to mark the occasion and bring back those memories, together with messages of goodwill recorded by celebrities.

Broadcasting will end with a record, known only by the chairman, Chris Pearce, who was co-founder of the station back in March 1993.

This will be a day tinged with sadness as Radio Haslar ceases to broadcast from its spiritual home, but an end of site party after the 12.00 closure will help to dispel some of the sadness.

But as one door closes, another opens, and so we will continue, as Radio Haslar to broadcast from the new studios at Bury House to the War Memorial Hospital, and hopefully, as time goes by to other institutions in the Gosport Area, like Care Homes for the elderly or even to Doctors waiting rooms.

There are hospital stations that already broadcast on low power FM and even the World Wide Web, so we at Radio Haslar are trying to keep abreast of the latest technological developments while still keeping to our mix of good music and chat to entertain those that are laid low and tied to a hospital bed.

If you would like to attend the final day of broadcasting or require any further information, please contact:

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