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RLU INFORMATION

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94,4 MHz VHF Sundays 10pm.

RADIO LONDON UNDERGROUND* INFORMATION SHEET No. 1 Sept. 1971.

*BUSTED AT THE OVAL! Sept. 18th

At 9.30 the RLU mobile unit was in position at the back of the Taverners Stand. The purpose of the transmission was to be as follows:

1. To publicise the event and attract more people from the London Area.
2. To publicise the Bangla Desh Fund, and to encourage people to help, whether inside the ground or not.
3. To provide a music rebroadcast service to people unable to attend the concert.
4. To advertise and publicise Underground organisations, e.g. the U/G Press, Release, etc. (During the course of the broadcast we also obtained advertising from organisations operating from the Festival, e.g. Virgin Records) on a no-charge basis.
5. To provide a commentary for people inside the ground who were not able to obtain full information on the Festival itself (For instance, we gave running orders, times, events etc. over the air.)

We appear to have succeeded in all these aims.

Shortly after ~~closing~~ testing the equipment we began to rebroadcast the Festival until about midday. We then closed down to conserve battery power so as to be able to put out the whole of the second half of the concert, including Atomic Rooster, the Faces, and the Who. We had done a total of two hours transmission, and the equipment had been partially dismantled to provide a more comfortable seating arrangement. Unfortunately, it appears that the whole broadcast had been heard by the Post Office, (i.e. they either monitor our channel- 94,4 MHz. VHF- all the time or they had been tipped off/ monitored a previous phone-call to BIT) who had sent two investigators to the Festival site. However, they had been refused entry to the Oval itself, so they had to contact the Security people acting on behalf of the organisers. Two security men were despatched to look for us (the station was now no longer on the air) and about 4 pm the aerial was spotted from the ground. It took at least an Hour for the security men to get to our location but at about 5pm they appeared by the equipment, which we had just re-connected in preparation for the second half. One of these people (who was carrying an illegal 27 MHz. transceiver- as used by the Baker St. bank raiders recently) told us to "switch off- pack it up" which we duly did, having little choice in the matter. We were told that "Police and post office" were waiting for us. This turned out to be untrue at that particular time. ~~We~~ were taken to one of the other buildings where we were told that our equipment would be "held until the end of the concert." In other words, we were not to be allowed to leave the site (No passouts ~~w~~ were available and the gear ~~w~~ is worth over £200). However, about an hour later, with the help of one of the security men, we got the equipment back and left the Festival. We were quite sure that, if we had waited until the end to collect the gear, there would have been P.O. officials waiting to collect us!

We would like to thank that security man for being so helpful- also the girl from Frenz who helped us out, Virgin Records for the notice they put up about us, and above all, those people who heard us, and phoned in reception ~~and~~ reports.

Radio London UndergroundLocations Dept.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>HEIGHT (Max)</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
Botley Hill (395555) Near WOLDINGHAM W	875 ft.	Sig. to C.London obstructed by Warlingham (624 ft)
Hampstead Heath (265865) Near HAMPSTEAD	440 ft.	Open area. Aerial likely to be seen. ok otherwise.
Eltham Common (430765) Near GREENWICH	425 ft.	Crystal Palace obstructs sig. to South London-347ft
Harrow-on-the-Hill Near HARROW (155875)	408 ft.	Difficult to find suitable site.
Harrow Weald Common Near HARROW (1509300)	475 ft.	Some high ground further South
Addington Hills Near CROYDON (355645)	434 ft.	
Croham Hurst Near CROYDON (337632)	477 ft.	
Sanderstead Near CROYDON (345617)	569 ft.	
Woodmansterne Near BANSTEAD (280600)	478 ft.	
Epsom Downs Near EPSOM (217585)	483 ft.	Much Used.
Nork Park Near BANSTEAD	550 ft.	Much used
Crystal Palace (340710)	347 ft.	Built up- busy.
BARNET (235937)	443 ft/418 ft. 389 ft.	Surrounding high ground
Elstree (183652)	478 ft.	Few suitable sites.
Brentwood-Holdens Wood (590910)	358 ft.	C. London only Greenwich 425 ft.
Iver Heath Near SLOUGH (020830)	270+ft.	

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Horsendon Hill Near WEMBLEY (164844)	277 ft.	Possibly too low.