

Happy birthday Good Hope FM

Today, 1 July 2010, Good Hope FM starts a month-long celebration of its 45th birthday by inviting some of its past presenters to reminisce about the station's success.



Graeme White, fondly known as the 'Vanilla Thriller' will co-present the breakfast show with Nigel Pierce between 6am-9am. Nate Dogg, a very popular club DJ who also hosted weekend night-time shows on Good Hope FM in the nineties, will join Suga on the Cape Town Shakedown between 9am and noon. The big warm voice of Bongani Njoli will join Ayanda Tini during the lunch show from 12-3pm. To end the day's celebrations the Afternoon Drive with Guy McDonald team will be joined by the well liked Dmitri Jegels. To add a little kink to the afternoon, the very entertaining Sista will also join the afternoon drive team in studio between 3pm-6pm.

"To keep in celebrating our birthday with a little twist of excitement each year, we decided to include some golden oldies deejays of yesteryear in the on-air line-up for the day," says programme manager, Gerard Muller. "They have all played a part in making this one of the biggest radio stations over the last 45 years."

Where are they now?

Graeme White took his first steps in radio by joining Good Hope FM in 1990. He hosted various shows on the station, leaving in December 1999 to explore other options in commercial radio before rejoining the station as the host of the afternoon drive show from April 2004 until March 2006. Currently, he works in production at the station, adding immeasurable value to the team with his wealth of experience.

Bongani Njoli cut his broadcasting teeth at UCT Campus Radio and joined Good Hope FM in February 1994, hosting the 10pm-2am timeslot until he left in April 2002. Bongani is still a well-recognised voice on television as a voice-over artist for both private and commercial entities.

Dmitri Jegels cut his teeth in radio when he joined the station on 1 March 1983 as a host in various time slots, but the most

popular for his mid-morning and lunchtime slots; he left the station 16 years later in 1999, to explore other opportunities at rival Cape Town radio stations. He is currently studying again at UWC.

Listeners can celebrate

The station will celebrate during the course of the month with several parties, like the Kinky Afro party that will take place at the CTICC on the 9 July and a 31-day competition where one listener will walk away with R45 000 in cash.

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