RADIO TITANIC INTERNATIONAL



GERMANY'S LONGEST SERVING FREE RADIO STATION SINCE 1975!

RADIO TITANIC INTERNATIONAL R.M.S "TITANIC"

 $P.O.Box\ 220\ 342,\ D-42373\ WUPPERTAL,\ Germany\ (invalid\ since\ the\ end\ of\ Y2K)\ but\ c/o\ SRS,\ Östra\ Porten\ 29,\ S-44\ 254\ Ytterby,\ Sweden\ is\ still\ valid\ for\ the\ time\ being\ !$

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NEWS RELEASE

Dear FREE RADIO enthusiast!

As you might know it's taken some time since RTI did an up-to-date press release about what has happened during the past months or years. Now after a long break we can tell you: it's over now....

RTI recently ended its Free Radio activities after almost 25 more or less successful years of serving the pirate listening public. Yes it's true, no more Mark Brown and the others to kick around anymore.

Our main reasons for calling it quits were a declining interest in the hobby, permanent equipment failures and the constant usage of the usual pirate frequencies by the likes of the Dutch testing powerhouses and QSO stations.

The other RADIO TITANIC, run by John from Holland nearly every weekend since the summer 1999 with - let's say "experimental" - transmissions, made the situation more opaque than ever. Maybe during the past years even John received reports for our shows and vice versa. Right after he joined the short waves we implored John to change his station name at least to RADIO TITANIC HOLLAND. But John refused this claiming he would be more often on the air like we do.

In fact, that's true and we can't deny that. Last but not least we felt a bit angry about this facts. We always thought having been the real **TITANIC** station that ran Free Radio under the flag of the fateful luxury liner from 1912 on the short waves for about 25 years from 1975 'til Y2K.

Nevertheless, we don't like to pick a quarrel with other operators like John. No doubt this coincidential name cast a reflection on the good name RADIO TITANIC INTERNATIONAL (RTI) in the scene. A real disillusionment for us.

Anyway, of course, lack of time besides the other commitments like family and business felt us to close down for good now. At last, here are a few facts and figures regarding our station:

Transmitters on SW: BC 1306, STANDARD ELEKTRIK LORENZ FuS4 and Drake TR-4C and of course several home-brewed rigs from 10-100 watts.

Aerials on SW: mostly half-wave dipoles, long wires, Inverted V and FD3 BC.

Broadcasts: about 300 occasions from 1975 to 2000.

Relays on SW: we ourselves relayed the following stations so far:

RADIO VALENTINE, WREC, PIRATE RADIO BOSTON, THE FOX, XEROX, NAPRS, RADIO MIRAGE and some more clandestine stations.

So far, many many stations relayed **RTI** on SW: RADIO PARTISAN, DELTA RADIO (ELBURG), STARSHINE RADIO, RADIO FREEDOM (=KIWI RADIO), TRANS ATLANTIC FREE RADIO, SUNRISE RADIO, RADIO HOTEL AMIGO, PFBS, RADIO DELMARE, IRRS, RADIO WAVES INT., RADIO EASTSIDE, RADIO NOVA INT., JOLLY ROGER RADIO, BIRS, NIRS, WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO, RADIO COCHIGUAZ, WREC, NAPRS, RADIO MIRAGE, RADIO ZODIAC, RADIO APOLLO, RADIO WITHOUT BORDERS INT., RADIO ORANG UTAN, IMR (PRRS), RADIO BALTIC INT., RADIO ATLANTIS SW and RADIO MARABU and some more unknown and clandestine ones that run our shows by chance.

QSL-cards: more than 1800 have been sent our to the listeners since 1975.

On April 14th, 1912 after only 5 days of her maiden voyage the world's largest - most luxurious ship to grace the seas - the "RMS TITANIC" - had been mortally damaged by an iceberg and 2 hours and 40 minutes later she sank taking with her more than 1500 people! Throughout it all the "TITANIC" casts its spell, showing that it cannot be forgotten or ignored even after all those 89 years! The "TITANIC" story will never die! It has a mystique about it which fascinates people like us! We learn from the fate of this beautiful ocean liner that "man proposes but God disposes!" In remembrance of those souls who perished with the "RMS TITANIC" on April 14/15, 1912 the crew of RADIO TITANIC INTERNATIONAL say THANK YOU VERY MUCH for your attention on our station from 1975 - 2000!