

Get into serious issues, mix it up a little bit

Lite FM 10 years on: The best simply keeps getting better

Lite Café

The evergreen ever popular Lite FM heralds the day to the strains of the national anthem. From then on, the presenter (Jay to his listeners), kicks off.

His patter, lampooning of political figures and others, his semantics—play on words, plays with words is most listenable.

Punctuation, diction, pronunciation are all top drawer upper shelf.

The tag lines on commercial corporate such as DFCC/Vardhana Bank being 'Ambitiously Aligned and Interestingly Inter-twined' is punchy and thought provoking.

A whole plethora of innovative features coupled with music aptly and truly played on air called the Best of Yesterday and Today puts the listener in the frame of mind to face up and smile through the rigours of the day.

The best part of the Lite Cafe, Monday through Friday, 6 am to 9 am, is the hourly sports segment featured twice weekly, called Singer All Sports 'The Hard Yards' presented by Chandrishaan Perera with the man with no surname drawing everything and more out of Chandrishaan on all matters of sport, both local and global.

The listener has a good choice of songs on the playlist in between the well presented sports package.

Jay does possess "Chutzpah" whether it is god given or man made is a matter for conjecture as he is downright audacious on more occasions than one.

Spell Binding

That's when things kick in from 9 am Karin the lady-presenter who on air is mellifluous. She does impeccable research in to the lives of celebs, their ups and downs, idiosyncrasies, lifestyles etc. which is naturally encapsulated in her package of entertaining news.

Karin makes bold to declare that we are listening to the best mix of music, this side of heav-

en. Furthermore, the only persona to state "I love my job."

When questioned Karin replies the feel, the passion that she has for the music she plays and is allowed to enjoy on the job, the license to speak freely on air, thereby inviting listeners to call-in, text, email and enter into interactions, is both pulsating and invigorating with the ready response, that spurs her on higher and higher.

It is delightful stuff packed with high energy and of course well selected play list that sees the afternoon set in.

The kind offer to call in a

town to light up the stage with the TNL Stage Show.

Spell Bound from 9 am to 1 pm is a mood fixer and a mood lifter, the group of people Karin works with she finds inspiring and they in turn find her the same where oneness and togetherness is the key feature of Lite FM and its team spirit that makes it vibrant.

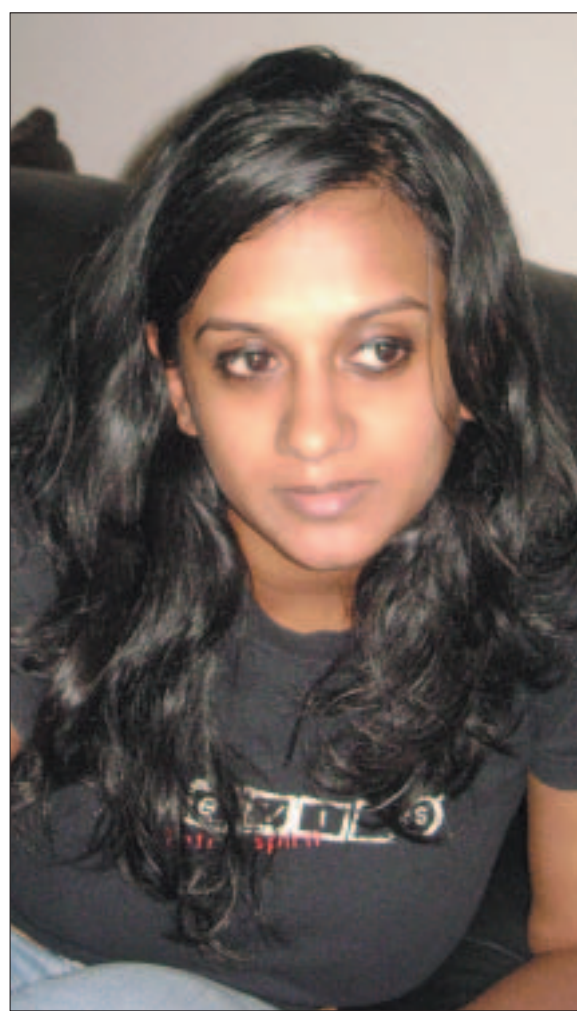
Spell Bound is all embracing where little ones get their mums to call in with song requests and dedications.

Karin on Spell Bound, you truly are a winner.

It is a hard act to follow coming on live as Karin hands over console to her.

Much to Anne Jay's credit she continues with the flow turning Total Control, catering cheerfully to caller requests with sensitivity, clarity of thought and spoken word in her competent and professional presentation, interspersed with good humor where she displays her ability to even have a good laugh at her self on occasions.

We have had complaints by way of letters to the editor carried in the newspapers referring to 'Tsunami of advertisements'.



Shanika with lite at night



Anne Jaye in total control Pix by Dharmasena Welipitiya

request titled "On Demand" is a crowd pleaser with many responding with first caller having his or her request played.

Live interviews sometimes take place, the last being in November when Chitral Somapala and his group were in

Total control

Total Control, 1 to 5 pm, is presented by the lady with a voice and fan base, Anne Jay.

Anne Jay is one of the vocalists with the band Legacy that does a weekly gig at R&B, where they are well received.

This does not happen on Lite FM as the production managers never go for overkill on their airwaves with Hit Ads.

The Streisand, Diamond, Bubble, Kenny Rogers, Parton, Houston songs are regularly played.



Karin who takes one through spellbound

Asking Anne Jay what denoted Adult Contemporary she replies melodies of yesterday that remain evergreen going on to be crowd pleasers done by other recording artistes, the melody simply lingers on be it Spanish Harlem or Save the Last Dance, Unchained Melody etc.

Anne packs composure coupled with confidence shifting gear to keep her listeners in total control dictating to their most favoured requests. What better way to go through mid-afternoon through to early evening winding down your day with Total Control Lite FM, Anne Jay 3 years at it going from strength to strength the lass has stamina and staying power.

Lite at Night

Sri Lanka after dark from 9 pm to take you through to the end of the day and more is Shanika, who is approachable through telephone call on their hotline 2576555 ever willing to bring on a special request or dedication.

On Poya night at 10.45 pm she proves her ability ever so naturally going on to this one is

for ardent ABBA fans playing 'Hasta Mangnana.'

The pure infectious joy of live radio is undoubtedly Lite FM for those who catch it live. Having come to her sixth year with the station Shanika makes bold to say "I believe in Lite" I am proud of their achievements.

In this makeup and composition of what makes Lite FM tick one needs to examine the personality, the presentation, the variables when it comes to talking and talking accent-free becoming easy on the ear, the wind beneath the wings, lead from the front, lead by example. This should surely be none other than the production manager Warren Nicholas.

Where information lives Newswatch never stops

Breaking news on matters local and global followed by the hourly news brief beginning with local, international, sports ending with business news is current and informative. Credit goes where it is due to Tanya Perera for a fine compilation.

Leon Wickremasinghe

TV GUIDE



ITN	
A.M.	04.00 Peyen Peya Puwath
04.30	Station Opening
04.35	Pirith Deshanaya
04.42	Jayamangala Gatha
04.46	Davase Sithuvilli
05.00	Thakshilawa
06.00	ITN Puwath
06.15	Davase Palathara
06.55	Jeevithaya Jayaganna
07.00	Hathveni Peya
08.00	Peyen Peya Puwath
08.05	Pahan Dora Magazine
08.30	Sal Mal Yaya
09.00	Peyen Peya Puwath
09.05	Batti
10.00	Peyen Peya
10.05	Nimthera
11.00	Discussion
Noon	Noon News Bulletin
P.M.	12.30 Sinhaya Oba
01.00	Sinhala Film
02.00	Peyen Peya Puwath
02.03	Sinhala Film (Contd.)
03.00	Peyen Peya Puwath
03.03	Sinhala Film (Contd.)

CHANNEL EYE	
A.M.	01.45 Tamil Feature Film
06.29	Station Opening
06.30	Talk for the Day
06.47	Cartoon Programme (English)
07.00	Suvaseeltha Lottery
07.15	Srama Vasanava
07.30	Nalendugallu Intru
08.00	Variety New Songs (Tamil)
08.30	Kalai Vanakkam
09.30	Udaya Darsanam
11.00	Kana Kanum Kanangal
11.30	Kai Manam
P.M.	12.00 Luch Time Music
01.00	Enthozi En Kathal En Manavi
01.30	Afternoon News

SWARNAVAHINI	
A.M.	02.00 Lansu Thiyana Mal
06.00	Ehi Passiko
10.00	Mul Pitawa
07.00	Loka Sithiyama
07.30	Gladiator Academy - Cartoon
08.00	Hello Sri Lanka - Breakfast Show
10.30	Channel D
11.00	Mahajana Sewaya Piniyai
Noon	12.00 Live @ 12
P.M.	12.30 Rasa Liya
01.00	Hada Rendil Peya

MTV	
A.M.	01.30 Fox News
05.55	Station Opening
06.00	Voice of America
06.30	News First
07.00	Good Morning Sri Lanka
08.00	Fox News
10.30	VOA
11.30	Fox News
P.M.	12.30 News
12.45	VOA
01.15	Fly Tales and Untalkative Bunny Fillers

DERANA	
A.M.	04.00 Dragon Tales
05.55	Station Opening
06.00	Cartoon
07.00	Derana Aruna
08.00	Suba Dawasak
08.30	Eka Dawasak Ude
10.00	Teledrama
11.00	Sithi Gimana Hala
P.M.	12.00 Ada Derana
12.15	Sinhala Songs
12.30	Sathulu Wila
01.30	Mix Songs

RUPAVAHINI	
A.M.	02.05 Tele Drama
05.48	Station Opening
05.50	Homage to the Triple Gem & Karaniya Metta Sutta
06.00	News
06.06	Sivudesa
06.30	Paththara Sirasthala
07.00	News
07.05	Aadaraneeya Yavuvanaya
08.00	News
08.05	Nuga Sevana
09.00	News
09.05	Nuga Sevana - Contd.
10.00	News
10.05	Nuga Sevana - Contd.
11.00	News
11.05	Aluth Sri Lankavak
Noon	12.00 Bala Binduma
P.M.	12.30 News
01.00	Hiru Viyana
02.00	News



ART TV	
A.M.	06.30 CNN Today
08.30	Talk Asia
09.00	International Correspondents
09.30	Inside Middle East
09.57	State of Business (3 min)
10.00	Telescreen Marketing
10.30	CNN Today
10.57	State of Business (3 min)
11.00	Telescreen Marketing
11.30	CNN Today
11.57	State of Business (3 min)
Noon	12.00 Telescreen Marketing
P.M.	12.30 CNN Today
12.57	State of Business (3 min)
01.00	World Sport
01.30	CNN Today
01.57	State of Business (3 min)
02.00	World Business Today
02.30	World News
03.00	World Report
03.30	Larry King Live
04.30	3 Friends & Jerry
04.57	State of Business (3 min)

SHAKTHI TV	
A.M.	06.00 Breakfast News
06.15	Filler
06.30	Good Morning Sri Lanka
08.30	Caller Galatta
09.00	Priyamana Thozhi
10.00	Vasantham
10.30	Sivashakthi
11.00	Anandam
11.30	Kasturi
Noon	12.00 Penmanikkaga
P.M.	12.30 Penngal Neram
01.00	Mediya Selthigal