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## Acoustic Texas Radio

Since the release of their self-titled CD Texas Radio And The Big Beat have been busy playing at various venues here and up the coast. They are also preparing to undertake the recording process all over again. "The reaction to the CD has been fantastic," said guitarist Phillip McIntyre: "We've been really encouraged by the reviews in the press and the support we've had from local radio. It's been selling well and we've already been doing some pre-production on the next one. We've got the new batch of songs demoed and Joe and Dave and I are really pleased with them. Mike Stavrou, the producer who used to work with George Martin at AIR studios in Britain; has heard a few of them and he's keen to do something with the band. We'll be airing them for the first time live at the Lass O'Gowrie. It's a good spot to do it because we always have a good time playing there." "We'll be doing an acoustic set first up"" added McIntyre, "just to see how some of the songs work in that setting. That was sparked by one of the interviews we did on radio where we did a live to air thing with acoustic guitars. It made us rethink our approach on some of the songs. Not that they all work that way. Some of them are definitely designed for drums and electric guitars and that's what we'll be doing mainly."

## JOHNNIE CLOTT TAKES ON THE WORLD OF RADIO.

Regular Concrete Press journo, Johnnie Clott, will be sitting in the host's chair of the Smallgoods show on 2NUR FM over the summer break while the regular presenters Nicole and Belinda take a well earned break from this local music show. 2NUR FM, the University radio station, broadcasts a one hour dose of local music on Monday nights from 10.00 pm through to 11.00 pm. Johnnie is asking for any local bands who want their material broadcast sent to him at the 2NUR FM studios so that he can do his best to give them some airplay. No guarantees of course, especially if the demo quality is below par, but he promises he'll do his best. Oh, and any bio material or juicy bits of news would be welcome too. So if you're interested in hearing some new music or some old faves from the city that gave you your very own earthquake, or if you're just keen for some publicity, give it a whirl on 103.7 FMI

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