

## **Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc.**

### **Community Participation and Access Policy**

Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. is to provide a service to the Religious – Christian community, not only to entertain, but to build community spirit through the promotion of community organisations and their activities through radio. This includes not only making announcements on radio but also making the studio available to participation by members of the community interest, both as individuals and as representatives of organisations who will present programs consistent with Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. Purposes as contained in Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc.'s Rules of Association.

#### **Community Involvement:**

Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. sees itself as an active part of the community it serves.

1. Membership will be open to members of the community, as provided in Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc.'s Rules of Association and reflected in its Religious – Christian community interest.
2. Through Open Days and invitations, members of the community are welcome to visit the studio and observe programs going to air.
3. Members of the community interest will be encouraged to volunteer their services to Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. in whatever role is appropriate to their skills and interests.
4. Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. will, within the constraints of rental agreements and cost limitations, adapt appropriate resources and equipment to cater for people with a disability.
3. Training for a variety of roles in the organisation is encouraged and will be provided to persons from the community interest.
4. Listeners and members will have the right to query policy and comment upon program quality and content and receive a timely response.
5. Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. will take an active part in local community events which are not inconsistent with its Purposes.
6. Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. will join local groups such as Business Groups, to broaden and encourage its community involvement.
7. Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. may use any of, but not limited to, the following to promote community events which are not inconsistent with its Purposes and encourage community involvement in the radio station:
  - o on-air announcements
  - o TheLight's website
  - o social media, such as Facebook
  - o membership drives
  - o newsletters

- o notices on community bulletin boards
- o advertisements or articles in the local press.

This policy is to be read in conjunction with the ACMA's Community Broadcasting Participation Guidelines and Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. Rules of Association.

**History:**

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**Documents Related to this Policy:**

AWCB Application Form Incl SoF

AWCB Rights and Responsibilities of Volunteers Policy

Community Radio Code of Practice

Albury Wodonga Christian Broadcasters Inc. Rules of Association.