The British Wireless Spring newsletter 2022.

A message from our Chief Executive Margaret Grainger

I always find the start of the year gives me a moment to reflect on the achievements and challenges of previous months. Throughout the ongoing restrictions of 2021 BWBF continued our service, and we were pleased to hear from so many of you during the course of our work. For me, a key lesson from the pandemic has been how vital it is to feel connected to those most important to us, and at British Wireless we have so enjoyed getting your messages and feedback. It is only with your help that we can ensure our work is focussed in the right area and that we are still providing the best possible service, of which we are extremely proud.

So, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your loyal support and for keeping our spirits lifted during recent times.

I look forward to enjoying 2022 with you.

Here are a few of our work highlights.

Each year BWBF has to raise over £1,100,000 in order to continue our work.

In 2021 we were able to give out over 2,700 adapted radios despite ongoing lockdowns.

Over 2,500 people downloaded the accessible apps developed by our in-house team.

Beneficiary Irene says, “Listening to the radio is a lifeline for me…it keeps me in touch with the outside world.”

Introducing the new Concerto 3.

The Concerto style radio has always been a firm favourite with our beneficiaries and over the years we have regularly reviewed the functions and accessibility of the set. It’s gone through a couple of updates in its lifetime - and recently it was time for another refresh!

One difference that our users may notice is the removal of the SD card slot - all other improvements have been on internal components to ensure compatibility between all the parts used to make it.

Here are all the great things the Concerto 3 has to offer -

Made by Roberts Radio

DAB/FM radio

10 pre-set stations of your choice

It plays CDs, cassettes and USB sticks

Bookmarking facility for USBs

Built-in microphone and headphone socket

Mains or battery operated (size C/LR14 x 8)

Bright, tactile controls

Weighs approximately 7.2lb

Size - Length 16.5 x Width 10.4 x Height 6 (inches)

If you are waiting for a new free-loan set? We will be in touch with you very soon!

To purchase a set via BWBF Direct

Our new radio won’t be on general sale until the end of April. However, recipients of this newsletter can purchase now and be among the first to have their radio sent. Call 01622 754757 and select option 4 then quote Spring22

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