

WSFM's JONESY & AMANDA WIN RADIO AWARD'S BEST ON-AIR TEAM AS ARN CONGRATULATES ITS 10 WINNERS AT THE 2019 ACRAS

Saturday, 19 October, 2019 – ARN congratulates WSFM's Jonesy & Amanda who were named **Best On-Air Team (Metro FM)** at the **31th annual Australian Commercial Radio Awards**, announced at a gala black-tie event in Brisbane this evening.

ARN congratulates all its winners who took home 10 awards **across on-air, off-air, content, promotions, music, podcasting, multimedia and sales.**

This is the third time Brendan 'Jonesy' Jones and Amanda Keller have taken home the top honours at the ACRAS, with wins in 2012 and 2014.

Jonesy & Amanda and the WSFM team also won Best Sales Promotion (Metro) for their successful Guinness World Record Yum Cha event as part of Sydney's Lunar Festival celebrations.

Also celebrating last night were **The Edge's Mike E & Emma** breakfast show who were named Best On-Air Team (Provincial). The team also won this award in 2016.



The full list of ARN winners are:

- **BEST ON-AIR TEAM – METRO FM – Jonesy & Amanda** – Brendan Jones & Amanda Keller, WSFM, Sydney
- **BEST ON-AIR TEAM – PROVINCIAL** – Mike E & Emma; Michael Etheridge & Emma Chow, The Edge 96.1, Western Sydney



- **BEST RADIO SHOW PODCAST – METRO** – Ricky Gervais One-On-One with Christian O’Connell; The Christian O’Connell Breakfast Show, Gold104.3, Melbourne
- **BEST MUSIC SPECIAL – PROVINCIAL** – Jai Waetford Special; The Edge & Jimmy Manning, The Edge
- **BEST SALES PROMOTION – METRO** – Jonesy & Amanda’s Sydney Lunar Festival World Record Yum Cha; Brendan Jones, Amanda Keller & The WSFM Team, WSFM, Sydney
- **BEST PROMOTIONS DIRECTOR – METRO** – Melissa Ratchford; ARN Melbourne
- **BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN PRODUCTION – METRO** – Jeff Nielsen; WSFM, Sydney
- **BEST NEWCOMER OFF-AIR – PROVINCIAL** – Anthony Badolato; The Edge 96.1, Western Sydney
- **BEST MUSIC PRESENTER – NON METRO** – Gemma Maddox; Hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)
- **BEST MULTIMEDIA EXECUTION – STATION – NON METRO - Hit104.7 Skyfire**; Zak Davies, Tarryn Evans, Adam Jansen, Alexandra Carlon, Georgia Duck, Josh Torney, Ned Breward, Matt Heap, Bethany Larsen, Gemma Maddox & Rod Cuddihy, Hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)

HT&E Managing Director and ARN CEO Ciaran Davis said the night was an opportunity to celebrate the exceptional talent and hardworking teams and individuals across the business.

“Congratulations to all our winners tonight on their incredible achievements, it comes as no surprise to me that these exceptional people have been recognised.

“Jonesy & Amanda are one of Australia’s most loved radio teams and this recognition by the industry is testament to their exceptional talent, work ethic and connection with their audience.

“I’d like to also acknowledge all ARN nominees who were shortlisted across a range of award categories. Our team consistently deliver outstanding results for our network as we continue to lead the market in delivering a comprehensive broadcast and on-demand audio offering for our audience and clients.”

About ARN

ARN is one of Australia’s leading Broadcast and On-demand audio companies, ‘Defining Audio’, with ownership or investments in 12 radio stations nationwide in addition to digital entertainment platform, iHeartRadio. ARN’s vision is to deliver the most complete audio offering for audiences and advertisers, and its network brands KIIS and Pure Gold, along with iHeartRadio and The Edge, entertain and influence over five million listeners each week across Australia.

Its KIIS network consists of Sydney’s KIIS 1065 with Kyle & Jackie O, Melbourne’s KIIS 101.1 with Jase & PJ, Adelaide’s Mix102.3 with Jodie & Soda, Brisbane’s 97.3FM with Bianca, Mike & Bob and Perth’s 96FM with Botica’s Bunch for Breakfast. The National Drive Show across all stations is Will & Woody.

Its Pure Gold network consists of Sydney’s 101.7 WSFM with Jonesy & Amanda, Melbourne’s GOLD104.3 with Christian O’Connell, Brisbane’s 4KQ with Laurel, Gary & Mark and Adelaide’s Cruise 1323 with John Dean.

The Edge is available on FM as The Edge 96.ONE in Sydney and nationally via iHeartRadio and DAB+. The Edge Breakfast hosts are Mike E & Emma.

iHeartRadio, the world’s fastest growing digital service, was launched by ARN to the Australian market in 2013 and since then, the platform has had over 2.1 million downloads of the app and over 1.5 million registered users. iHeartRadio is a free, all-in-one radio, music streaming, podcast and live events platform. In addition to being able to access their favourite music from around the globe, audiences can access their favourite stations in Australia from ARN, the ABC, SBS and Macquarie Media, as well as stations from New Zealand and the USA. iHeartRadio also provides Australian’s with access to over 280,000 podcasts.

ARN’s suite of digital and social assets are the online home to Australia’s leading radio stations, providing highly engaged entertainment content and news, complementing the on-air experience ARN’s stations are best known for.

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