



PRESS RELEASE

ENCO Systems supports the world's largest gathering of young care givers at UK's YCF Festival 2006

Nutbourne Chichester, UK June 12, 2006 ENCO Systems have teamed up with Community station Express FM for this year's Young Carers Festival. The "YCF" is the largest gathering of young carers in the world. The festival theme changes each year, education being the focus for 2006.

Young Carers are young people that have a caring responsibility for someone in their family who has physical or mental ill health, a disability or alcohol, substance misuse problem or is a victim of war or torture. Young Carers take on caring responsibilities that are inappropriate for their age, such as personal care for a disabled adult or emotional care for a parent with a mental health problem. In addition they are often responsible for younger siblings and all of the household chores. The 2001 census found that 175,000 of the UK's 5.8 million carers are less than 18 years of age.

Every year during the last weekend of June, The Children's Society and Fairthorne Manor in Southern Hampshire plays host to the worlds largest gathering of young carers. The festival is a chance for 2000 young people to have a weekend away from their adult responsibilities, a chance to meet friends old and new and explore new experiences.

Along with activities like kayaking, rock climbing, football tournaments, discos and live band performances on the main stage, like all great festivals The Young Carers Festival also has its own radio station, Express FM.

Express FM has been involved with the festival since its inception in 1999 but as the gathering grows year on year, so too does the technical requirements.

This year to provide all of the technical requirements, ENCO Systems have loaned Express FM their very latest state of the art broadcast playout system DAD5.1b to use at the festival. Chris Carnegie, Station Director says "DAD is not only a world class professional tool, its simple enough for the kids to take control in a matter of minutes and that's just what we need as the whole festival is about being interactive and experiencing new things. It's great to see the kids getting involved and taking command of their own radio station."

ENCO Systems Head of Sales and Marketing UK, Marc Phillips said, "When Express FM approached ENCO, we were delighted to help out with such a worth while event. Our team of technicians have designed and built a system especially for the weekend, using DAD version 5.1b with a brand new look interface that was launched in June this year." Information on ENCO products can be found at www.enco.com .

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Note to Editor:

Pics available in jpeg format of presenters on-air.

The festival takes place from the 30th June to the 1st July 2006.

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