East Coast FM — Live from the train!

The community radio station East Coast FM (ECFM) is more usually in the market town of Haddington broadcasting from the safety of their studio there. But earlier today they made history by broadcasting live from a train on the East Coast line.

Using the WIFI network ECFM were able to transmit via the internet and through the station locally in East Lothian.

Today's special event marked the launch of a new dedicated app for iPhone and android which allows you direct access to the station. The East Coast FM 107.6 app is available to download for free now.

The Edinburgh Reporter caught up with the presenters as they were getting on the train in Waverley this morning:

The Edinburgh Reporter NEWS from Phyllis Stephen on Vimeo.

Ian Robertson, Station Manager at ECFM said, "We are all about the community at ECFM and that community got a bit bigger today. We are delighted to have undertaken such a significant first in the history of rail travel between Edinburgh and London. We hope our listeners enjoyed listening as much as we enjoyed broadcasting. We want listeners to know we have our own dedicated app which will make it even easier to tune into East Coast FM.

"Raising awareness of the station is a big part of our fundraising and what keeps us going. I'd like to thank East Coast and the technical team that made this possible today. Maybe ECFM really is the biggest little radio station in the world!" East Coast spokesman Richard Salkeld said, "We were really pleased to be able to support East Coast FM's innovative idea to broadcast live from the East Coast Main Line. It's the first time we have hosted a live radio broadcast along the route between Edinburgh and London at speeds of 125mph. It's certainly a creative way to use the on-board Wi-Fi! "

The lunchtime and drive time shows were broadcast live from the 10am to King's Cross and the 3:00pm to Edinburgh trains.

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