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Shortwave broadcasting is essential to these areas. This wavelength carries a long way further than just about any other (especially FM) and is a reliable communication in most conditions.

Sailors including yacht persons, those on fishing vessels, commercial vessels (as backup to other systems, ) oil rigs, etc etc, rely on this service for safety information, weather and entertainment.

In addition, remote communities in the Outback of Australia, and on small islands dotted throughout the region rely on shortwave as their main reliable communication service, especially when satellite communication drops out, and FM is entirely out of range, also the same applies to mobile phones assuming if any service available! Shortwave is not a antiquated system of communication, it's range is thousands of nautical miles provides an umbrella over a huge surface of our hemisphere. It is a reliable system that Is part of a suite of communication systems. Very handy in a severe emergency catastrophic event. Australia needs several reliable communication systems to back each other up in case one or other fails as so often happens in emergency.

Please reinstate more powerfully than ever before and restore our national pride in our region and the service to the many politically quiet listeners.

Thank you,

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