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1 · This week in one paragraph

I finished MOB-972 Recovery Mode Android Updates. Station images show again in the grid and the player, the player now collapses to a mini player while audio keeps playing, and the SoundStack companion banner no longer overlaps the station cover.

I also fixed the issues QA reported on Android 13.7.7 builds 1156–1158 (MOB-979, MOB-984, MOB-986, MOB-987):

- Shows and podcasts no longer display episodes from the previously opened one.
- The Notification Center matches the design, and its unread dot clears once notifications are seen.
- Back at the root of the app sends it to the background instead of closing it.
- The keyboard Send key sends chat messages again, and the keyboard no longer pushes the video or image off screen (Livestream and Station chat).
- The Our Radio Stations carousel starts on the first station.
- The station error is now a dismissible dialog that matches iOS, shown in all six audio players.

2 · Open items

- MOB-886 SoundStack Migration: in progress and blocked by the two SoundStack issues below. The first one is a showstopper for the upcoming release.

3 · Next week

- MOB-964 Search for Contests: add contest results (with weblink support) to search. Android Auto search will exclude videos, Moments and contests with `exclude=video,moment,contest`.
- MOB-886: keep working with SoundStack to resolve both issues.

4 · Open issues

- SoundStack companion with video preroll: when a station plays a video preroll, the audio URL includes `sw_bp=1` to skip the audio preroll companion, but companion ads still arrive. Showstopper for the upcoming release.
- SoundStack metadata ahead of audio: metadata arrives more than 15 seconds before the matching audio, so the app shows the next companion ad while the previous ad is still playing (for example, a Macy's banner during a Progressive ad).
- MOB-964 analytics: on hold until Carlos Ramirez confirms whether the proposed changes cause issues in Mixpanel.

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