



# SARCNEWS



Good evening.

Many thanks to the contributors who make this Newsletter possible each week...

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{editor}

## NET CHECK-INS:

Wia National News – n/a

Dawn Patrol - 51 for the week ending 26th May.

Sarc Digi Net - 5 (see "digital modes" report below)

Wicen Net - 8 (Spring Mountain Enduro)

Wednesday Tech Net – 7 (Memory allocations in T/Rs)

Thursday 6Mtr Net - 4 (chain & cross-cut saws)

Friday Night Net – 4

For all 'net' times & frequencies please check out the sarc website:

[www.sarc.org.au/nets-broadcasts/](http://www.sarc.org.au/nets-broadcasts/)

## More things to do:

**Coffee morning:** 1000 on the 1st Wednesday  
of the month  
Rous Hotel 44 Keen St. Lismore

**Lunch day:** 1200 on the 3rd Wednesday of the month  
Ying's Chinese & Thai Restaurant  
142 Keen St. Lismore

## FUNERAL NOTICE: McGUINNESS, Kathleen Berna (nee Muldoon)

The sad news reached us today that the mother of our club secretary Paul VK2PMG passed away peacefully on Tuesday morning. Most of us never met Paul's mother, but the stature of a person is often found in the character of those they nurture and influence. From this we can feel the pain of their loss and give thanks that we benefit from the guidance she gave to those amongst us. Our amateur radio family extends our sympathy and support to Paul and his family.

“Not everybody makes their mark upon this Earth;  
Look for the mark they make on those who walk upon it”.

de Duncan  
VK2DLR

*The funeral will be held on Monday (29<sup>th</sup>) as per the family notice in the Northern Star.*

## [DIGITAL MODES:](#)

This week the diginet report comes from Duncan VK2DLR as Paul has sad family business to attend to.

A total of 5 on the net EA and JWA for the early voice segment then Paul PMG, Geoff AGC and Duncan DLR on the digital part. Our initial experiment was with Thor16 on Fldigi. Exchanging text went ok as normal. However when we tried to use Flmsg to send form style formatted messages we were less successful. Tx seemed ok as was good reception. But then we got lost actually retrieving the message. More reading and experimenting required. One thing we did notice is that the transmission rate is very slow. Extra fields like the time / date sent take up a lot of time if not necessary.

Attempts to send images with Thor 16 also failed. However we had great success with EasyPal. The attached photo comes from Geoff to Duncan via EasyPal and the Woodburn repeater. Even more reasons to celebrate was great success with a MS Word document. From Geoff to Duncan as an editable file. Edited by DLR then sent back to AGC as an editable file. An amazing result.

de DLR



## [MORE INFORMATION:](#)

Here's the link to another useful ACMA radio communications database search page.

[https://web.acma.gov.au/rrl/assignment\\_range.search](https://web.acma.gov.au/rrl/assignment_range.search)

The upcoming out of area horse enduro has given us the additional challenge of finding an unused 70cm repeater frequency adjacent to a major population centre.

This search page lets us check out frequency assignments for specific frequency ranges within a chosen radius of the event site. For normal everyday use, it can be used to check out repeater frequencies near home or any place you want to visit. An alternative from searching the WIA call book listings. Particularly when the location is close to a state border.

de DLR

## [HORSE ENDURO:](#)

Short Notice. Short on operators. SARC operating under the banner of WICEN (NR) have pulled off another successful horse enduro exercise. Nestled in some bushland south of Brisbane and south east of Ipswich the Big Country Endurance Riders held their annual Spring Mountain Endurance Ride this weekend. SARC /WICEN (NR) got involved with less than two weeks notice. The previous communications organizer had to pull out due to ill health. However Geoff AGC, Chris ACD, Malcolm OTA Ross ARD, Rob ARL and Maeva FMWL answered Duncan's call and we did it! 5 Checkpoints plus base. (OK, two of the checkpoints were "double checkpoints") but great comms on 2M and 70cm via the repeater. More to tell at a later date but an absolutely brilliant example of teamwork. The story goes that others were approached but couldn't meet the deadline. Others talk. SARC gets out there and does stuff!

de Duncan DLR

(Tired but proud SARCEr)

## [NEW DOWNLOADS PAGE:](#)

Look under the 'FOR ANYONE' menu tab, for a new SARC downloads page. Our first item is the definitive book by SARC life member John VK2JWA, of radiotelegraph and radiotelephone codes, prowords and abbreviations . Authors please note: contributions of original material are welcome for this page.

## **IMPORTANT: NOTICE OF MEETING AND SPECIAL RESOLUTION**

A general meeting of members will be held on **Sunday June 11, at 1 pm**, at the clubrooms, 412 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill, NSW 2480. The business of the meeting will be to vote on the following special resolution:

“That the club adopts a new constitution, circulated as the draft new constitution V.3.1 of 05-03-2017.” Moved: Christopher Meagher Seconded: Duncan Raymont

A 75% majority of members present and entitled to vote including any valid proxies, is required to pass the resolution. All members are requested to attend if possible, to ensure that there is a quorum for the meeting. Members who are unable to attend may appoint a proxy, using the form available [here](#).

## COMING UP SOON:

June coming events the Oxley Region ARC field day at Port Macquarie on the long weekend 10th/11th June at the Tacking Point Surf Lifesaving Club Hall in Matthew Flinders Drive.

73 - Tim VK2ZTM

<b>What's On</b> For the full year's calendar visit <a href="http://sarc.org.au/">http://sarc.org.au/</a>	
<b>This Month</b>	<b>Next Month</b>
<b>May 2017</b> Sat/Sun 06/07 <u>BARC Brisbane Hamfest?</u> Sat/Sun 13/14 <b>Sun 14 Committee Meeting 1300</b> Wed 17 World Telecommunications Day <u>(AX Prefix)</u> Sat/Sun 20/21 Sat/Sun 27/28	June 2017 Sat/Sun 03/04 Sat/Sun 10/11 <b>Sun 11 <u>Wicen</u> 1000</b> <b>Sun 11 Committee Meeting 1300</b> Mon 12 Queens Birthday Sat/Sun 17/18 Sat/Sun 24/25 Winter V/UHF field day

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