

# SARC NEWS



Good Evening all,

Another full sarcnews NewsLetter yet again, actually it is nice to see all the fantastic information that keeps coming in to be added to make this NL possible...

As you can see, yet another change to the header, thanks to Duncan DLR for making up this nice 'sarcnews' heading for us... :)

If anyone needs more information on the clubs going on, it is so worth having a quick look on the clubs website [www.sarc.org.au](http://www.sarc.org.au) for just about everything that involves the club...

Sorry for last weeks link (on the ABC) that never worked as it should have.

Have a GREAT week & see what next weeks NL brings us...

Cheers  
Dave 2ZDR  
{editor}

## **NET CHECK-INS:**

Wia National News - 6

Dawn Patrol - 50 (check-ins for the week ending 3 Feb 2017)

Sarc Digi Net - 7 (see "digital modes" report below) {2x no TX}

Wicen Net - 6 - (Maritime activities)

Wednesday Tech Net - 6 - (wiring without a chassis)

Thursday 6Mtr Net - 6 (future star gazing night) {dates & times to be advised}

Friday Night Net - 5

Coffee Morning Numbers -4 (Natural and human historical sites along the Clarence river)

## DIGITAL MODES:

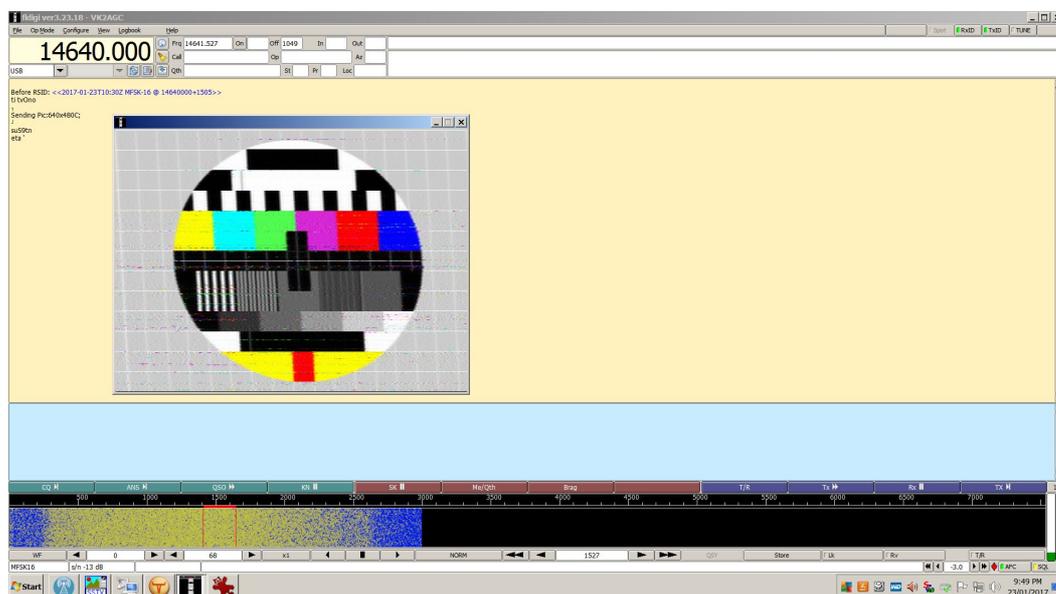
On Monday January 30th at 8.00pm local time we held the Summerland Amateur Radio Club's digital net. Starters were: VK2EA, JWA, ACD, AGC, DLR, TRD and VK2 SRC-PMG Net Control. All operators except EA and JWA transmitted. The frequency used for transmission was 80 metres, 3.625 USB after an initial meet and greet on 146.800, we then went to the Woodburn repeater on 147.250 for our secondary phone frequency to give signal reports and ask questions.

This week we used FL Digi and Olivia 8-500. There was a discussion on JT65 and there was agreement that more practice on that rather tricky mode would be better done at the clubrooms. The main discussion centered around the waterfall display. Chris ACD was able to give some tips on how to modify some settings in FL Digi to improve the accuracy of the display. This made quite a difference to its appearance and reduced the amount of spurious yellow colour and adjusting the program's squelch also reduced the production of random characters. The transmissions in the middle part of the session did suffer from some localised dropouts. Whole words or, in some cases, a whole over would go missing. Chris ACD on the other hand had no problems. Very strange for Olivia to not decode at all. This did not last for that long and decoding improved towards the end. Eric VK2TRD logged in right at the end of the net as he just arrived home. He had perfect copy on all of us from Mt Isa. A very enjoyable net that ended at 10.20pm

The image is from last week's net and shows a screen capture from Geoff AGC of a test card he received from VK2PMG-SRC in MFSK16, a mode in FL Digi that supports transmission of images. The mode is quite a bit slower than Slow Scan TV (MMSSTV).

deVK2PMG

Below is an image from last week showing a test card.



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<b>This Month</b>	<b>Next Month</b>
<b>February 2017</b> Sat/Sun 04/05 Sat/Sun 11/12 Sun 12 Wicen 1000 Sun 12 SARC AGM 1300 Sun 12 Committee Meeting 1400 Sat/Sun 18/19 Sat/Sun 25/26 Sun 26 Wyong Field Day	<b>March 2017</b> Sat/Sun 04/05 Mon/Thu 06/09 Standard Course Sat/Sun 11/12 Sat/Sun 11/12 Foundation Course Sun 12 Committee Meeting 1300 Sat/Sun 18/19 Sat/Sun 18/19 John Moyle Field Day Sat/Sun 25/26

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