



Sarc Radio Net numbers/check ins:

HF Dawn Patrol – 44 for the week ending 11th Jan 2019

Sarc Digi Net – 5 Evans Head

Wicen Net – 6 Languages

Wed Tech Net – 5 Quite Bands

Thursday Night Net – 6 Dry Weather

Friday Night Net – 8

UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMITTEE MEETING

January 20 @ 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Fly-in and Field Day

It's been a busy weekend for SARC members. The **Summer VHF/UHF Field day** was on, as was the **Great Eastland Fly-in** at Evans Head.

Graeme VK2QJ, Pat VK2FAAD and Dave VK2CDG headed to Vista Lookout again to operate the club station in the portable multi-operator section of the Summer VHF/UHF Field Day this weekend. Reports have come in from a few sources that they had another great weekend and have scored some excellent contacts. *Rob VK2ELH* was also happy with his score and Robert VK2BBR was also heard swapping numbers that indicated that he'll be clocking up a big score.

The clash with the Great Eastland Fly-in at Evans Head restricted the activity of the SARC members attending this event. *Chris VK2ACD* and *Duncan VK2DLR* took some gear down to Evans Head to operate portable but the results weren't that flash. SARC has a long term commitment to record all air traffic transmissions on the Fly-in frequency for the duration of the event. It's a relatively simple task made even easier by the use of one of AOR receivers from the estate of *Geoff VK2AGC (SK)*. This task rewards SARC by giving us access to a prime location where we can promote our club. There were a few enquiries from members of the public and ex-amateur radio licence holders where we've had the chance to re-kindle old interests. These were largely handled by *Chris VK2ACD, Kris VK2KWW, Roger VK2LRB, Paul VK2PMG, Barry VK2VBG and Duncan VK2DLR*. A few amateur radio operators also came up and introduced themselves which is always rewarding.

The surprise of the Fly-in came as we were packing up on Sunday when *Geoff VK2WDD* paid us a visit. The ravages of a stroke has given Geoff's body a hard time but mind and spirit remain unbowed. Geoff's serious interest in flying that pre dates his amateur radio licence can be put in perspective by paying a visit to the Evans Head Memorial Aerodrome Museum. The F-111 may be the big draw card; but look out for Geoff's Drifter as well as the AR7 Receiver donated by SARC.

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Here are a few pics of the wonderful aerobatics from the **Paul Bennet group**, truly world class.



Paul Bennet smoking sideways down the runway in the Wolf Pitts Special. Pic by VK2PMG.

SILENT KEY (Vale Lindsay Matterson)

SARC and Wicen NR were saddened to learn that Lindsay Matterson, of the Lismore City SES Unit, passed away on December 27, 2018, following a recent battle with cancer. Lindsay was well known to many of us involved in Emergency Service operations in and around Lismore over nearly half a century. A private funeral was held in keeping with Lindsay's wishes. A memorial service will be held to celebrate the life of Lindsay Matterson at St Andrew's Anglican Cathedral, Zadoc Street Lismore on Wednesday January 23 at 2pm. Wicen / VRA /SARC polo shirts would be appropriate for those attending.

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