



**Sarc Radio Net numbers/check ins:**

**HF Dawn Patrol** – 59 for the week ending 8th March 2019

**Sarc Digi Net** – full “*Digital Modes Report*” below

**Wicen Net** – 9 - Winding up

**Wed Tech Net** – 8 - Cars & Computers

**Thursday Night Net** – 7 - Phones & SWL-ing

**Friday Night Net** – 6

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**JOHN MOYLE FIELD DAY CONTEST**

March 16 @ 12:00 pm - March 17 @ 12:00 pm

**WICEN NR AGM**

April 14 @ 10:00 am - 11:00 am

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

April 14 @ 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**News Items:**

**SARC IN JOHN MOYLE FROM VISTA POINT**

The club team led by *Graeme VK2QJ*, will again be heading to Vista Point for the Field Day.

**Freq are:**

**HF** 80m, 40m, 20m *David*

**6m** 50.150 - 50.200 **ssb** *David*

**2m** 144.150 - 144.200 **ssb**

146.500 - 146.550 **FM** *Pat*

**70cm** 432.150 - 432.200 **ssb**

439.000 **FM** *Graeme*

**23cm** 1296.150 - 1296.200 **ssb** *Graeme*

Start with the first frequency.

Contest starts midday Saturday finishing midday Sunday.  
Contacts in 3 hour blocks.

Cheers *Graeme VK2QJ*

**Mower Repairs at SARC**

Today, Brian FMAN & Ross NZA did a little repair job on the clubs “self propelled” push mower...(yes, it decided not to be “self propelled” anymore, until today)

It ended up only being (thankfully) a belt that had ‘fell off’  
I think we all like small/easy fix jobs like that...hihi



*{see, it's not all about Radio}...ed*

## **DIGITAL MODES:**

**Monday 4 MARCH 2019**

This week we had *Leith VK2EA*, *John VK2JWA*, *Steve VK2SLM*, *Duncan VK2DLR*, *Tom VK2VTB*, *Dave VK2ZDR* and *Chris VK2ACD*. Unlike last week when a good rollup at login did not produce anyone who could transmit via digital modes, this week Duncan and Chris were ready to go. As usual we had two rounds of greetings and cheerios before we QSY'd to the Woodburn repeater.

It had been a little while since we used MMSTV so we tuned up and selected the mode MR140, it's particularly useful as it fits in the 3 minute timeout window. We had a very successful session, images were pretty much straight. Duncan's images always started with a crazy 65 degree slant for a short while then straightened up and stayed that way.

The images were a variety of types, mine were taken from the internet. It really does not take much time to assemble a variety of pics from any subject you like. They don't have to be your own although that's always fun. A good session finished at 9.40pm. Thanks as always to everyone who logged in and participated.

Cheers from **Paul VK2PMG**



## **INTERESTING PLIERS**

Also today, Ross VK2NZA brought in these interesting looking pliers....

He said they are brilliant for removing hard to get to PL-259 plugs & such things...

Anyone else seen these before or know of any other "cool tools" that could be handy for our Radio Hobby...?



## \*\*\*\*\* Membership subs were due January 1, 2019 \*\*\*\*\*

The rate is \$40 for membership in **2019** and if you join part way through the year, the payment is pro-rata. If you live more than 100Km from Lismore, you qualify as a DX member at a discounted rate. Download a form for renewal/new membership here – [Membership + Information 2019](#)  
*For full details of how to pay subs, go to [here](#). The preferred method of payment is by direct bank transfer to the club's Summerland Credit Union account. Make sure you add <your callsign or name – subs> to the transfer reference.*

## CHANGE TO LICENCE ASSESSMENTS

The big news is that the ACMA has announced the successful tenderer for amateur licence assessments and allocation: it is the University of Tasmania / Australian Maritime College. The WIA arrangement has now expired. Further information as it comes to hand.

In the meantime, here is information from our Education Officer about the immediate effect on our training and assessment arrangements, download here – [SARC Education Update 3rd February 2019](#)

UPDATE – 21 February. The new arrangements are being put in place but it will take some time. VK2DLR Duncan and VK2ACD Chris have been contacted by the college and it looks likely that the current education team will continue to be involved in the assessment process.

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTERS

Here we have a short-term archive of SARC newsletters – each weekly issue from the start of the previous year.

If you want to find an older issue, please send a request to the committee and we can send it to you providing it is in the long term archive at the clubrooms.

The newsletter is edited and distributed by Dave, VK2ZDR. Contributions should be sent to [sarcnews@gmail.com](mailto:sarcnews@gmail.com)



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