



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

**HF Dawn Patrol** – 58 for the week ending 15th March 2019

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

**Wicen Net** – “see report below”

**Wed Tech Net** – 8 - John Moyle preparation

**Thursday Night Net** – 6 - John Moyle preparation

**Friday Night Net** – 8

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **WICEN NR AGM**

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

### **COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

## **News Items:**

### ***SARC members support VK2SRC***

About a dozen SARC members supported our club station in another field operation challenge. Our dedicated group of Grafton based field day contestants headed to Vista Lookout again. A proven winner as a field day location, Vista looked less promising this time due to the weather forecast.

Their efforts were well rewarded with many club members popping up every three hour block to keep the points rolling in. Thanks for keeping the SARC banner flying and providing us ordinary stay at home members with 24 hours of fun, excitement, and a chance to contribute.

## **WICEN NET**

**12-3-2019**

Due to the absence of Duncan VK2DLR, I was asked to run the WICEN net. Shortly before the net started it was apparent that there was a problem with the Parrots Nest repeater. Signals that are normally strong were scratchy or dropping out completely. John VK2JWA switched to the Woodburn repeater, followed shortly afterwards by the rest of us. Theories and speculation swirled around to explain the problem, but that will have to await an inspection. The Woodburn repeater was perfectly fine and the net continued without a problem. There were eight of us on the net and lots of interesting discussion. Thanks to all who logged in.

Cheers from Paul VK2PMG

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

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## **DIGITAL MODES:**

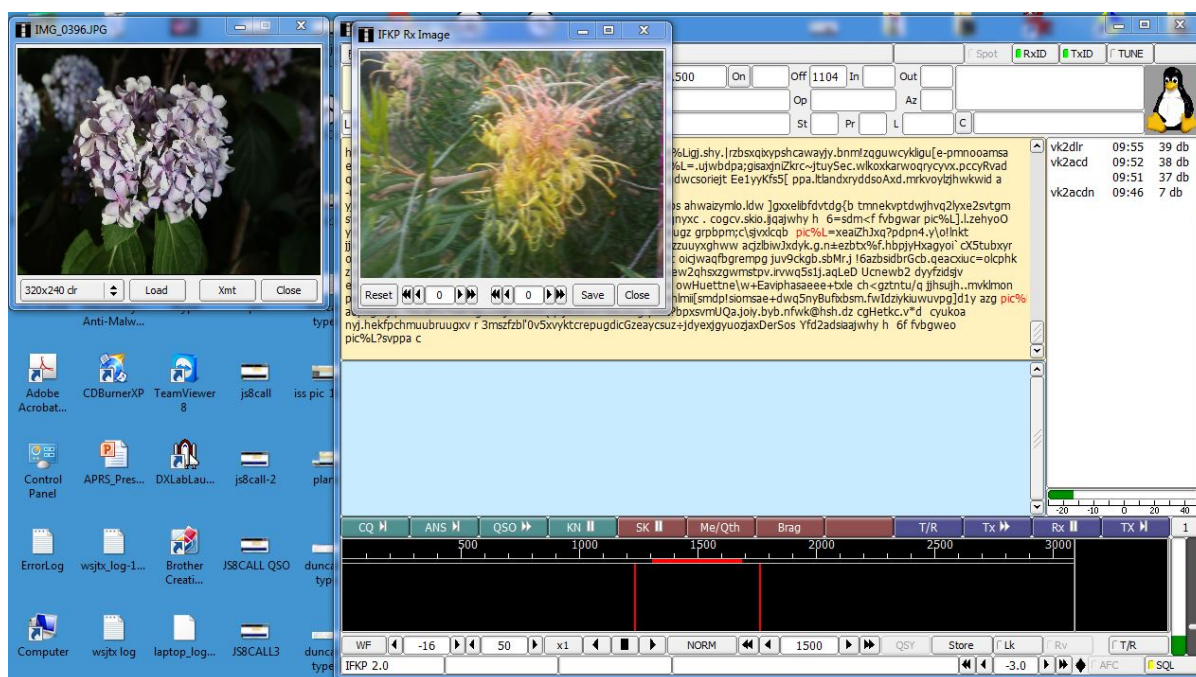
**Monday 12 MARCH 2019**

This week we had Leith VK2EA, John VK2JWA, Steve VK2SLM, Duncan VK2DLR, Chris VK2ACD and Dave VK2ZDR. As usual we had two rounds of chat and after that we QSY'd to the Woodburn repeater.

We used Fl-Digi again, using the modem IFKP which had impressed us on other digi nets. We started with text on the slowest speed 0.5 but switched to the highest one 2.0. A number of us wanted to try sending images. Once again, we were all impressed with the quality that this modem offers. There are basic controls for such things as image slant which worked well.

The advantages of IFKP are encouraging us to continue trying it, possibly FM simplex or, better still, SSB. A very enjoyable and interesting net finished at 10.10pm, thanks to all who logged in.

Cheers from Paul VK2PMG



## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTERS**

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