



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

**Weekly (mon-fri) HF Dawn Patrol** – 50 week ending 10th May 2019

**Monday\_INFO Net** – 8- News

**Tues\_Sarc Digi Net** – full “*Digital Modes Report*” below

**Wed\_70cm Net** – 7- Old Electrics

**Thursday\_(ex 6mtr) Net** – 6 - phones

**Friday Night Net** – 4

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **BOM BOM ENDURANCE RIDE**

June 15 @ 9:00 am - June 16 @ 4:00 pm

## **News Items:**

### **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers involved directly or indirectly with SARC. Here's a photo of a flower purchased by one of our SARC mothers and dutifully planted by her devoted husband along with eleven others for all of us to enjoy.

SARC decided today that as part of our move to be more *family friendly* we'll no longer hold committee meetings on Mother's Day.



### **IRLP + ECHOLINK**

IT'S WORKING...!!! Yes, both the Echolink & IRLP & even the WebSDR at the clubrooms are working perfectly... “log in & give them a thrashing”... hihi

### **A Good Day for a Drive**

Rob VK2ELH and Duncan VK2DLR picked a good day to go for a drive to Goonengerry on Saturday. A couple of hours mowing, brush cutting and weed control reclaimed the repeater site from the knee high grass. Hopefully the next trip there will be to install the VK2RBB repeater.



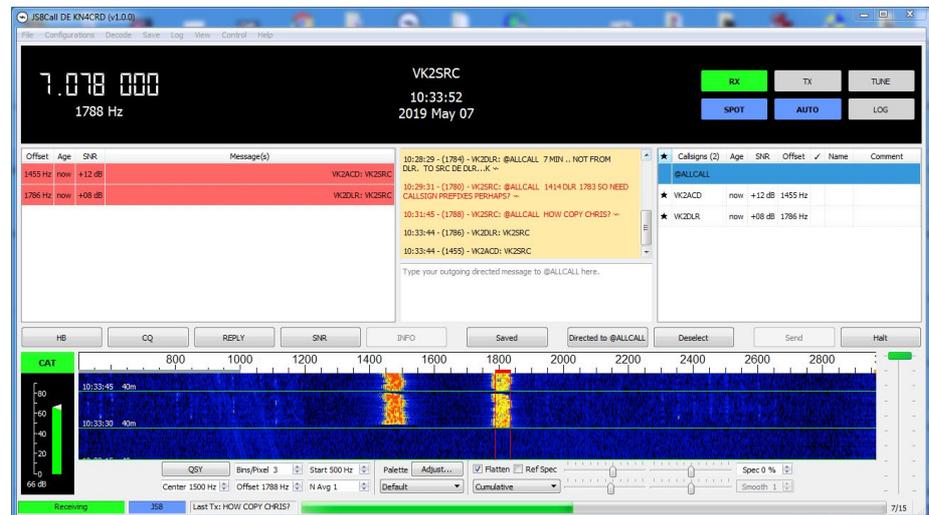
## **DIGITAL MODES**

**Monday 7 MAY 2019**

Tonight we had Chris VK2ACD, Phil VK2YGF, Duncan VK2DLR and Leigh VK2EA logging in. As usual, we had a couple of rounds of chat and the QSY'd to our 2 metre frequency of 144.230 USB. Once again, we were experimenting with the fairly new keyboard digital mode JS8Call. Phil was decoding us perfectly well, but still with TX problems. Much of the time was spent learning the software protocol, with more practice being the best way. The software is not dead simple and we will have to spend some time familiarising ourselves with it.

It is possible to decode two transmissions at once in the passband if they have different offsets, as we found once again when there was a double transmission. We then switched to HF and used 80 metres and once again good decoding was possible here. Duncan's signal was -16dB and Chris's was -7 both still decoded, even though I had some problems due to antenna deficiencies. A very interesting mode that has real benefits when propagation is weak and noise levels high. The net finished at 9.50pm and once again thanks to all who logged in and participated.

Cheers from *Paul VK2PMG*



# I wish SARC would...

Ever said that? Here's your chance!

SARC want to plan for the future and to do this we need to draw up a list of things we'd like to get done. A list we can discuss at the mid year meeting in August. We want to list the projects in priority order check that we have the resources to do them and then get to work. The priorities will change as circumstances change and some projects may never get done. But at least they'll be there for consideration each time we take a look.

Send an e-mail to [yk2src@gmail.com](mailto:yk2src@gmail.com) with Wish List as the subject. At this stage keep it short and simple. Somewhere between one sentence and one paragraph. Say 100 words. Just a one sentence description of the project, a guess at the cost and how it will benefit SARC if you can.

Some of them will be easy to achieve. Others may have to wait for years for a grant from some outside source. ...And; let's face it, some of them will never get off the ground. But if they're not on the list then they won't have much of a chance.

Here's a trivial example of something that just happened:

**Project:** I wish we didn't hold committee meetings on Mother's Day. (The second Sunday in May)

**Cost:** \$0 and 5 minutes work on the SARC list of dates to avoid.

**Benefit:** SARC avoids uncomfortable clashes for some members and presents a more family friendly attitude to all.

and another:

**Project:** Move the web SDR into the glass fronted equipment rack next to the TV set.

**Cost:** Perhaps \$100 for cabling odds and ends and build a receive antenna.

**Benefit:** Better separation of the web SDR from the club shack and associated transmitters. Make the Web SDR more visible to SARC members and visitors.

What do you wish SARC would do?

## MEMBERSHIP – have you renewed?

The April 1 deadline for membership renewal has passed. If you were a member in 2018, but have not renewed, your membership is now cancelled, as required by the club constitution. To renew or join, go to here – [sarc membership info](#).

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