



SARC-NEWS



Sarc Radio Net numbers/check ins:

Weekly HF Dawn Patrol – 53 week ending 7th June 2019

Monday_INFO Net – 9 - News

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

Wed_70cm Net – 7 - Lead free solder

Thursday_(ex 6mtr) Net – 6 - Freedom of speech

Friday Night Net – 5

UPCOMING EVENTS

BOM BOM ENDURANCE RIDE

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

WINTER VHF/UHF FIELD DAY

June 22 @ 12:00 pm - June 23 @ 12:00 pm

News Items:

Sarc Website Changes:

There have been some changes to the SARC website. Now you can have place your own for sale ads. for more info, go to the new 'SHOPPING' menu . <http://sarc.org.au/private-ads/>

Also, there has been a re-vamp of the pages under the 'OPERATIONS' menu, check it out!

SARC loses a friend

SARC lost a friend this week with the peaceful passing of Merle Packham at the age of 94. While never an Amateur Radio operator or member of SARC, Merle was known to a number of SARC members past and present. She took a keen interest in technology, constantly adopting modern innovations to keep herself actively engaged with the world. Merle appreciated and supported SARC as we strive to make Amateur Radio gender neutral.

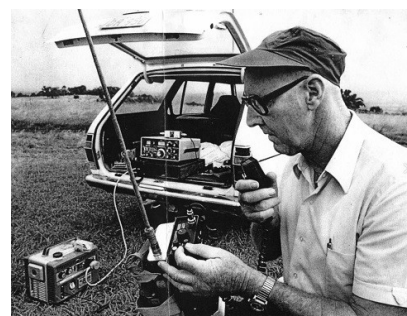
MEMBERSHIP – have you renewed?

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, check the information page –

SEE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



Leith VK2EA Portable (many years ago)

DIGITAL MODES

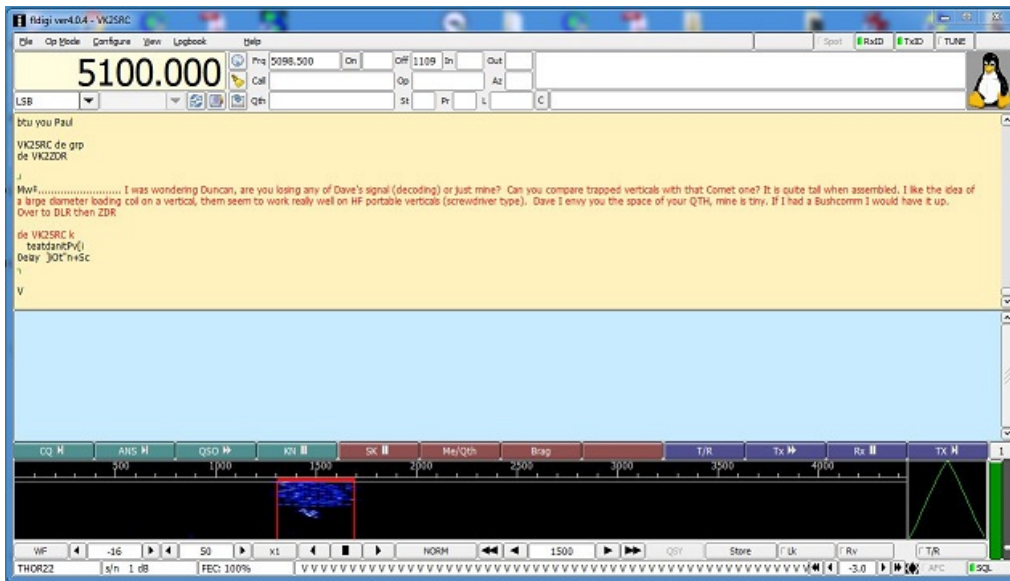
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One again, it was Digi Net time. Leith VK2EA, John VK2JWA, Duncan VK2DLR, Steve VK2SLM and Dave VK2ZDR logged in. As usual we had our introductory 2 rounds of chat before we QSY'd. Dave decided to join us this time, and that was good. I would really like to see more than just Duncan and I doing the job.

Over to the Woodburn repeater we went and used F1 Digi, as we have done for a few weeks now. The mode was Thor 22. This week the repeater behaved itself, no real outbreak of crackles and decoding went without a problem from anyone. The strange episodes of failed decode didn't occur.

After the digi part, Duncan and I spent some time comparing the performance of my recently installed Comet 250 HF vertical with his OCF dipole. The Comet was the one loaned to me by Kris VK2KWW. Thanks mate!! We tuned to a number of frequencies to test the performance, a CW beacon on, I think, 80 metres, an AM Asian station and the WWV transmissions on 10.00 and 15.00 mHz. The Comet vertical held its own pretty well, bettered by the OCF dipole on a couple of frequencies, but certainly doing rather well. Thanks to all who logged in and participated.

Cheers from Paul VK2PMG



7-DAY FORECASTS (LISMORE)

“MMM, some nice weather”...hihi

Sun Jun 9	Mon Jun 10	Tue Jun 11	Wed Jun 12	Thu Jun 13	Fri Jun 14	Sat Jun 15
Sunny	Mostly sunny	Sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Late shower
21°C	23°C	24°C	23°C	25°C	25°C	21°C
11°C	8°C	8°C	9°C	10°C	12°C	9°C

SES looking for Communications Specialists

Representatives of SES and SARC met recently to discuss a new SES unit to be formed on the Northern Rivers. Rather than SARC members being recruited as message handling radio operators; this unit is looking for members who want to increase their technical knowledge and put their skills to good use. SARC endorses this new concept as asks that any interested members read the letter in the box below and follow the instructions. Some of our members who have seen the letter are very interested. If you decide to join, please let SARC know and we'll put you in touch with other like minded individuals so you can support each other. SARC will not be formally involved with the unit but will support our members who join SES.

Exciting Opportunity now exists with the NSW State Emergency Service.

The NSW SES is currently forming a specialist team as part of the Northern Rivers Capability Unit with a focus on communications. This will include setting up and operating equipment, training members and providing specialist advice when required.

NSW SES works across several networks such as our Private Mobile radio (PMR) and Government Radio Network (GRN) in addition to Air and Marine Bands. We also use other networks of the other emergency service organisation (ESOs).

The Capability Unit, once trained, will have the following responsibilities:

- Establishment and operation of portable repeaters.
- Establishment and operation of mobile command vehicles.
- Establishment and operation of GRN Cell On Wheels (COWs).
- Provision of radio specific training of SES unit members.
- Communications planning role in Incident Management Teams.
- Deployment to incidents across the State and interstate (subject to personal availability).
- Provision of communications advice as requested.
- Work with other ESO communications specific capability Units.

NSW SES will provide the appropriate training to ensure that members are able to perform the functions safely and effectively. Where specific licensing or endorsements are required these will be facilitated as required.

NSW SES has embraced 'flexible volunteering' acknowledging that people lead busy lives and are happy to accept members based on the amount of time that can be contributed.

If you wish to become involved in this endeavour, please visit www.ses.nsw.gov.au and follow the links to sign up as a **Unit Volunteer** of the **Northern Rivers Capability Unit**.

For any further queries please contact either SES Local Commander

Peter Mair on 0418 144 160 or Northern Rivers Commander

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