



Sarc Radio Net numbers/check ins:

Weekly HF Dawn Patrol – 59 week ending 16th August

Monday_INFO Net – 9 - News

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

Wed_70cm Net – 7 - APRS & Beacons

Thursday_(ex 6mtr) Net – 7 - e-mail addresses & QSL cards

Friday Night Net – 11 – ILLW (just gone)

News Items:

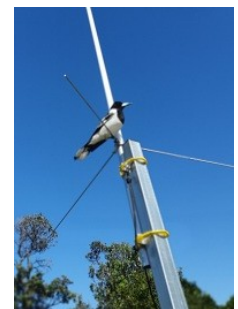
ILLW – LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND (Ballina, Byron & Clarence)

Lighthouse Weekend (Ballina AU0001)

Lighthouses worked: VK2HBM, Gerald, Warden Head NSW No.0035, VK7NET Wayne, Table Cape Tasmania AU0039, VK2MB Rod, Barrenjoey, Sydney AU0046, VK2PEL, Taya, Clarence Head AU0013, VK2EP, Frank, Smoky Cape AU0031 and on Sunday ZL2X, Steve, Pencarrow near Wellington NZ,

who was using a High Sierra Screwdriver antenna with a 2 metre whip on the back of his vehicle, coming in at S8 on 20 metres. As well as these there were a few RD stations contacted as well. Very enjoyable weekend.

Paul VK2PMG



Lighthouse Weekend (Cape Byron AU0006)

What a great weekend at Cape Byron, a bit windy of night for a bit but otherwise good; there was vk2MNM, vk2LRB, vk4HNS visting vk2VA & vk2FUSE. Contacts where made to Cape Leeuwin WA, Kangaroo Island lh, Barrenjoey Head lh, Kalgoorlie vk6fMGR & Mt. Isa vk2TRD there was a few very unusual lighthouses see attach photos the ice-creams where a great threat Neil made a few parks contacts.



Light Weekend (Yamba AU0013)

A dedicated bunch of local radio enthusiasts gathered at Yamba, Clarence Head, Lighthouse for this years ILLW. Lots of fun had by all, and good contacts made, both on air and chatting to interested passerby's. Planning is already in place for next years ILLW activation. Some Remembrance Day contacts made as well, even though conditions were not always the best on the bands.

Taya



SARCFEST work days

The SARCFEST is on Next Sunday. The clubrooms will be open on Tuesday and Thursday from about 0800 as prepare for the weekend. Come along and help us sort through and price the goodies we'll be selling. The more we get done during the week, the easier Saturday will be for the final set-up.

IRLP Thanks

Thanks to all those who got the SARC IRLP - Echolink system back on air from Errol VK2EGC. He caught up with one of the SARC News field reporters on air today and expressed his thanks that the system is up and running again.

SARCFEST on 25th August

The club's annual **Hamfest** is on again, hopefully the weather will be better than last year's driving rain. The gates open at 0730. The canteen and clubroom sales open at 0830. There is limited parking around the clubrooms and some kerbside parking on **Richmond Hill road**.

There are no fees, but a small donation will be welcome. Sellers need to bring their own set-up, there are no tables provided. We are overstocked with older equipment and sundries and there will be bargains to be had. The canteen will provide quality food and drinks.

Find us via your gps or phone at **412 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill 2480**, and you can download a simple road map here – [GET THE MAP \(PDF\)](#)

DIGITAL MODES

TUESDAY 13 AUGUST 2019

This week we had *Leith VK2EA, John VK2JWA, Duncan VK2DLR, Steve VK2SLM and Dave VK2ZDR* logging in. Well, after last week's tale of problems on 80 metres, it was easy to decide to go back to Fl Digi on 2 metres USB. After the customary 2 rounds of chat, Duncan, Dave and I QSY'd to 144.230 USB

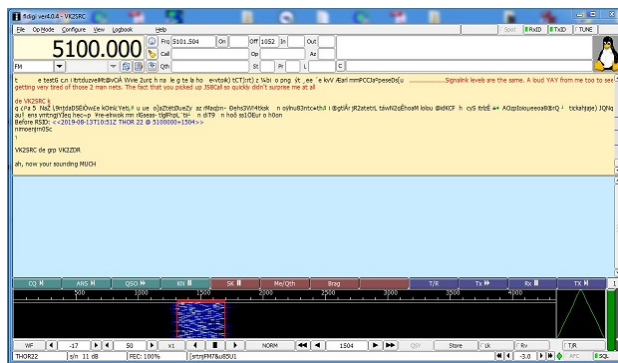
The problems weren't completely over as Duncan's setup wouldn't TX. The apparent cause was low battery voltage, causing the Yaesu 991A to lock up. The only way to get it going was a factory reset. Naturally, after that the 6 or so menu areas requiring the correct choices to be selected for digital modes to work went back to defaults. It only takes 1 setting to be forgotten for these modes to stop working, something I was only too familiar with myself.

My own problems last week were caused by USB connections, fixed by using a USB powered hub. It really didn't take long for that menu item to be corrected and we were away.

Dave had no problems, and neither did Duncan and I. The TX power was about 10 watts and it was ample, all signals were decoded perfectly using Thor 22. This was a relief and the net was very enjoyable.

Thanks as always to all who logged in and participated.

Cheers from Paul VK2PMG



7 – Day Weather Forecast (Lismore)

Sun Aug 18	Mon Aug 19	Tue Aug 20	Wed Aug 21	Thu Aug 22	Fri Aug 23	Sat Aug 24
Sunny	Sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny
23°C	26°C	20°C	24°C	24°C	21°C	23°C
7°C	9°C	3°C	4°C	6°C	5°C	5°C

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