



Sarc Radio Net numbers/check ins:

Weekly HF Dawn Patrol – 69 for the week ending 30th October.

Monday_INFO Net – 8 - News

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

Wed_70cm Net – 6 - Storms

Thursday_(old 6mtr) Net – 7 (see report below)

Friday Night Net – 4 – 2m Parrots Nest off-air

UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMITTEE MEETING

November 8 @ 13:00 - 16:00

VHF/UHF FIELD DAY

November 28 @ 12:00 - November 29 @ 12:00

>>>>> *News Items* <<<<<<

Thursday Night Net (report)

Logging in were *Leith VK2EA, John VK2JWA, Duncan VK2DLR, Barry VK2VBG, Kris VK2KWW and Dave VK2ZDR*. Topics discussed were antennas, my new trap dipole getting a mention and Duncan spoke about the Murchison Square Array, an amazing radio astronomy site in the WA desert.

Details here: <https://www.csiro.au/en/Research/Astronomy/ASKAP-and-the-Square-Kilometre-Array/MRO/About>.

Parrots Nest 2m Repeater OFF-AIR

After a little visit to the repeater site on Saturday, Barry VBG & Myself carried out some basic testing to try to work out why the repeater wasn't going into TX mode, although it was still RX'ing just fine...

We decided to turn off the whole 2mtr system (including the links to Byron) as running a ½ working repeater was basically pointless. Sarc will keep you all informed on it's progress...

Sarc Repeater Sub Committee will be looking into this later this week.

Any Nets that usually run on this repeater will probably be run on Moonimba instead (147.250/123t)

Parrots Nest 6m Repeater BACK ON-AIR

YES, it's back... :)

While Barry & I were working on the 2mtr system, we also reinstalled the 6m (53.550/123t) Repeater.. It has been off-air for well over a year now, but it's return has been 'on the cards' for quite a while...

Any updates will be posted on our Website...

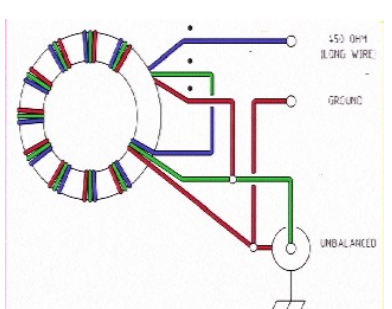
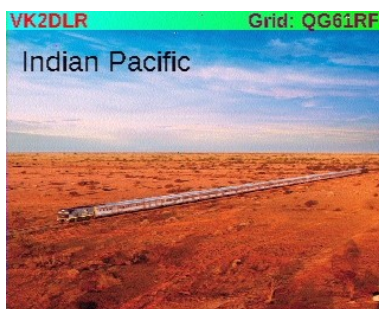
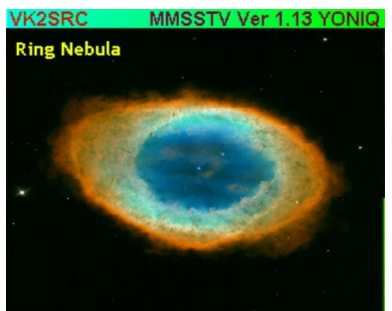
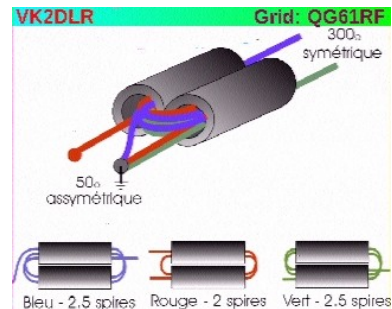
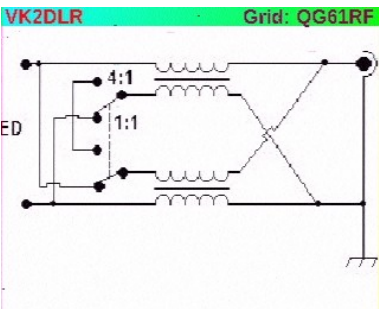
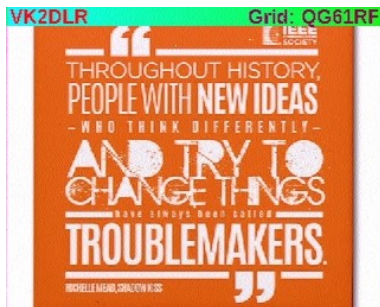
Cheers, Dave ZDR (& Barry VBG)

DIGITAL Report:

TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER, 2020

Tonight we had *Leith VK2EA, John VK2JWA, Duncan VK2DLR and Kris VK2KWW* logging in. Following the customary 2 rounds of chat, Duncan and I QSY'd to our normal frequency of 144.230 USB MMSSTV was used this evening, the Yoniq version and MR140 mode. The frequency was pretty clear during the net, unlike the past two digi nets when a strange pulsing noise was evident. Duncan's signal was also better, S6 on voice peaks and a steady S5 during image transmission. A good net, some interesting images being sent, everything went well technically. We had an early night (9.25pm) as Duncan was suffering from hay fever, but he soldiered on! Thanks as always to Duncan for his support and to everyone who logged in.

Cheers from Paul VK2PMG



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

SARC Education week now 09 to 15 November

Requirements to conduct courses and exams under Covid-Safe conditions have brought about a change of date for the Foundation course and exam. There's no way we could hold the Foundation course and exam on the same weekend as a club committee meeting. The course and exams have now been moved to the 14 & 15 November. Advice was sent out to prospective candidates last weekend. Some have been able to accommodate the change of date and unfortunately some can't. Covid-19 has stretched SARC's ability to deliver Amateur Radio education and accreditation even further.

There's no change to the Monday to Friday Advanced course being held on the 09 - 13th November. The exam papers have arrived and the Advanced course starts in a week.

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Sarc Education

SILENT KEY (former VK4IA)

It's with great sadness that I inform all GCARS members of the recent passing of Daphne Ayres, former callsign VK4IA

Early GCARS members will remember Daphne, who along with her husband Ken, had hosted GCARS events and meeting at their Gaven home. Ken and Daphne were the main driving force in raising funds and building the GCARS club building back in the early 1980's.

Daphne along with her husband Ken and three daughters, had moved from England to the Gold Coast around 1959, and were immediately involved in local Amateur Radio activities. Daphne was still running a Gold Coast Net up to around 4 or 5 years back, on the local VK4RBT repeater.







Funeral details will be announced when we are made aware.

Sincerely
Mark Hanrahan VK4DMH
GCARS President



6-Day Lismore Weather (forecast)

“No More STORMS, Please” ...

Mon Nov 2	Tue Nov 3	Wed Nov 4	Thu Nov 5	Fri Nov 6	Sat Nov 7
					
Fog then sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Sunny	Possible shower	Mostly sunny
25°C	23°C	26°C	33°C	23°C	25°C
12°C	11°C	10°C	10°C	13°C	11°C

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