

SARC RADIO NET NUMBERS/CHECK INS

Weekly HF Dawn Patrol – 35 - For week ending Thur 17FEB2022.

Monday – 5

Tuesday – 3

Wednesday – 5

Thursday Net – 4 – On 2 metres, Woodburn.

- 3 - On 6 metres, Parrots Nest.

Friday 80m Net – 3

[SARC nets and times](https://sarc.org.au/nets-broadcasts/) <https://sarc.org.au/nets-broadcasts/>

[Upcoming Events](https://sarc.org.au/events/) <https://sarc.org.au/events/>

NZART Jock White Memorial Field Day information:

<https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/jwfd/#:~:text=Saturday%2FSunday%2026%20%26%2027%20February%202022.>

UPCOMING EVENTS

NZART Jock White Field Day

26th February 1500-2400 NZDT

27th February 0600-1500 NZDT

See link below.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday 13th March 1300hrs

JOHN MOYLE FIELD DAY

Sat-Sun 19-20 March

See link below

Tuesday-Net Report

DIGITAL MODES

- Paul VK2AMT

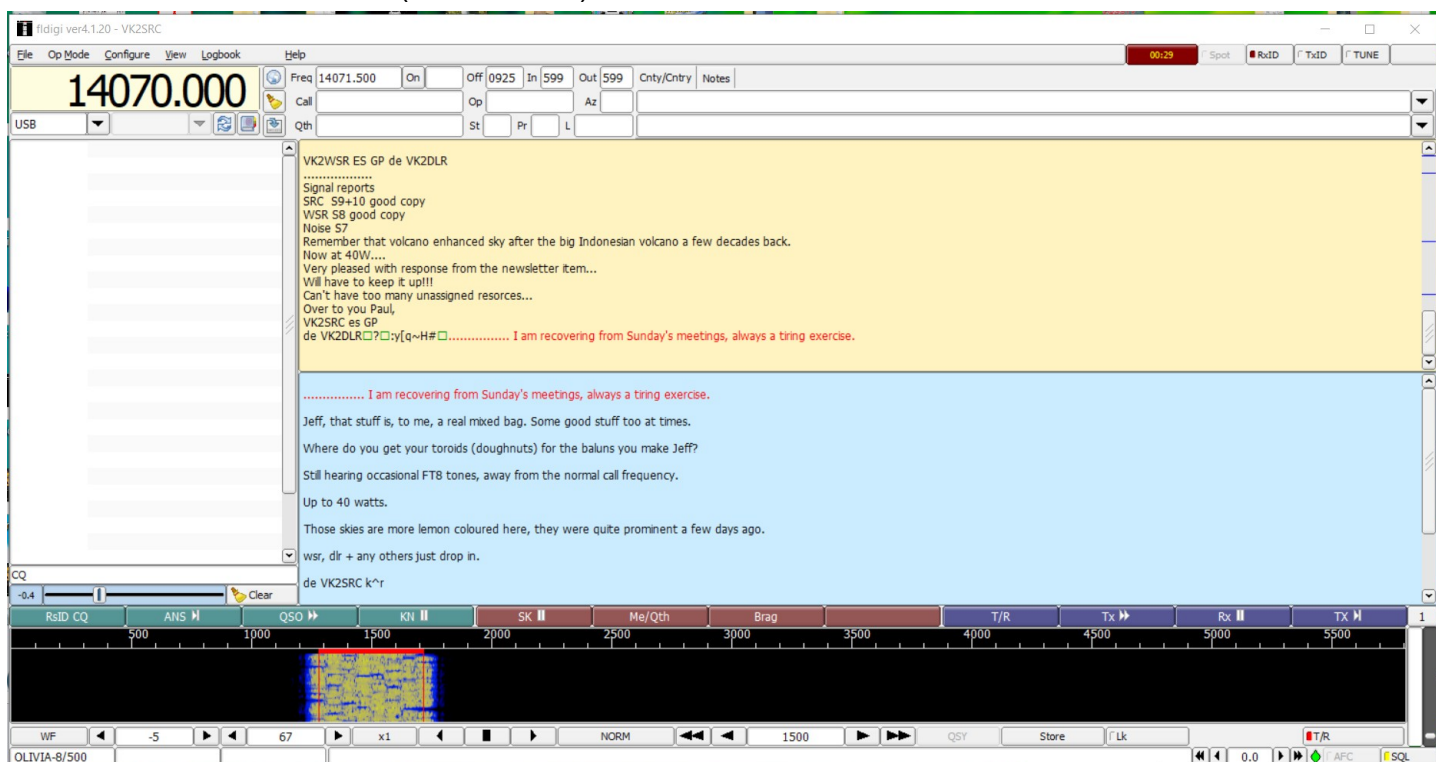
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2022

This evening, Duncan VK2DLR, Jeff VK2WSR and Andrew VK2AKK logged in. Duncan and Jeff were ready to go, so we didn't waste any time and QSY'd to 40 metres for another session with Fldigi.

We found a clear frequency on 7.043 USB. The area of 40 metres is often quite busy with all sorts of signals and Asian DX. We used Olivia 8-500 again. The keyboard conversation was interesting, travel plan and covering topics such as a good source for antenna making bits – eg toroids. TET_Emtron was mentioned as a good source.

Olivia did its usual excellent job at decoding everything without a problem. A good addition to the net was Scott, VK1PWE, who dropped in near the end and had a few overs. The decode to and from him was 100%. It's good to see an occasional visitor to these digi nets, hopefully it will encourage other amateurs to experiment with them. Thanks to all who logged in and participated.

Cheers from Paul VK2AMT (as VK2SRC)



Last week's "Going... Going... Gone" news item saw three books claimed by two members. Here's some more on offer under the same rules.

These items have been on the SARC "Free / Gold coin donation" table for too long.

If you want it, then claim it before NEXT SUNDAY. If it's not taken, it will be thrown into the recycling bin. Claim item(s) by contacting Summerland Amateur Radio Club via email: vk2src@gmail.com



NOTES FROM THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- Paul VK2AMT

The Summerland Amateur Radio Club held its Annual General Meeting on 13 February 2022. The President Ross VK2ARD gave his report and Chris VK2ACD gave the Treasurer's report. After that Duncan VK2DLR took over as Returning Officer for the election of officers.

The result of the election was: President: Ross VK2ARD, Vice President: Vacant, Secretary: Paul VK2AMT, Treasurer: Andrew VK2AKK, Committee Person 1: Rob VK2ELH, Committee Person 2: Brian VK2MBJ, Committee Person 3: Dave VK2ZDR.

NOTES FROM THE COMMITTEE MEETING, February 13, 2022

- Work to continue on the site of the new repeater VK2RNR.
- Ross wants to improve Parrots Nest 2 metres with 2 phased folded dipoles.
- Committee Appointed Positions were made. Peter VK2PAH is newsletter Editor. Chris VK2ACD is Website manager, Clubrooms: Brian VK2MBJ, Repeater Group: Ross VK2ARD, Rob VK2ELH, Paul VK2AMT. Assets & Equipment: Dave VK2ZDR, Paul VK2AMT, Network Services: Dave VK2ZDR, Public Officer: Paul VK2AMT, Property Manager: Ross VK2ARD, The Education Committee: Chris VK2ACD is the Education Officer and Duncan VK2DLR and Jeff VK2WSR are Facilitators.
- Duncan VK2DLR called for more club members to consider becoming Amateur Radio Assessors, under the AMC.

- Ross VK2ARD called for members to formulate a plan to approach the schools to encourage more people through our doors, including via ad advertisement in the local press and an approach to four wheel drivers and grey nomads. Chris VK2ACD said that we should encourage interested people to gain their amateur radio licence, something that the club can implement and have the personnel to carry it out. Jeff VK2WSR suggested a schools competition and John VK2ZJJ suggested video snippets.

Micro review of the Diamond CR8900A antenna

- Duncan VK2DLR

The Diamond CR8900A has been made to match the Yaesu FT-8900 quad band FM transceiver. It's been designed as a mobile whip that covers the FM portions of 10m, 6m, 2m and 70cm.

At a tad over 1.2m tall it's susceptible to low flying branches and garage ceilings. Duncan VK2DLR bought both; not as a mobile setup but as a home station for "FM chatter channel" operation. The antenna is mounted on the gutter of the house using a couple of lengths of aluminium channel sections and an automotive style gutter mount. The two sections of aluminium channel clamp around the rolled lip of the house gutter and make it just the thing to clamp with the antenna gutter mount.

The end result is a simple, relatively small setup that works well on all four bands. There are lots of better antennas for DX but for local use the CR8900A is hard to beat as a quad band antenna.



6-DAY LISMORE (FORECAST). Click image to open METEYE (2480 for East Lismore).

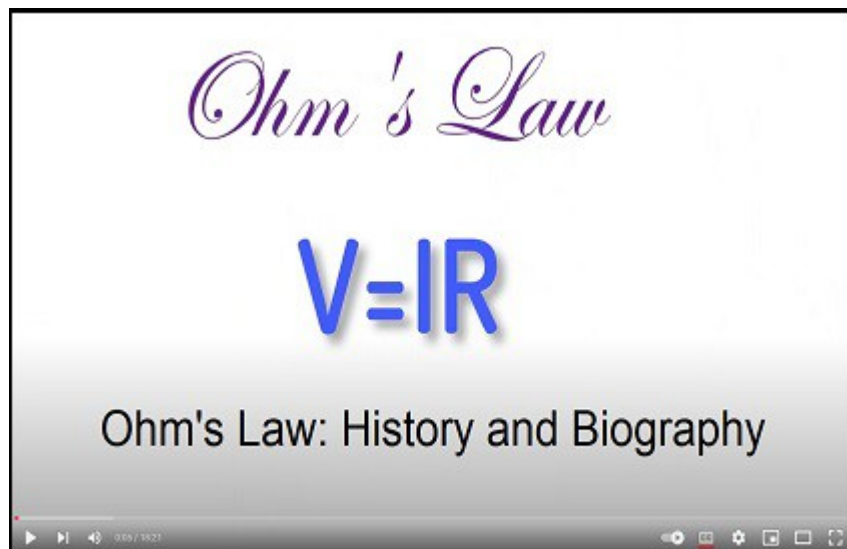
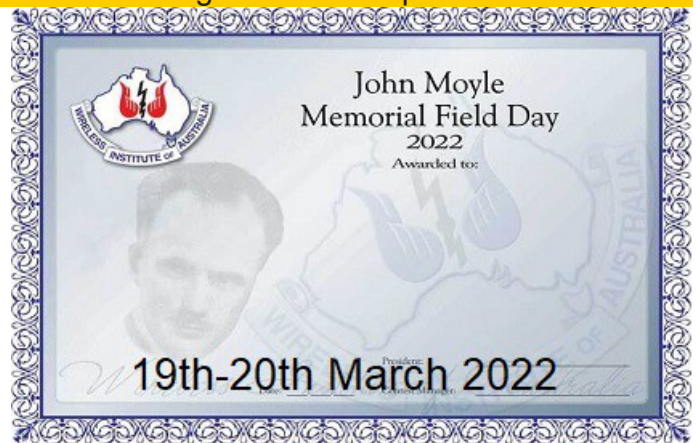


4-CAST

Forecast for East Lismore

	Tue. 22 Feb	Wed. 23 Feb	Thu. 24 Feb	Fri. 25 Feb	Sat. 26 Feb	Sun. 27 Feb
Max (°C)	29	27	26	26	26	27
Min (°C)	18	19	19	19	18	18
Chance of rain (%)	70	100	100	95	80	70
Rainfall range (mm)	2 to 5	15 to 40	20 to 60	8 to 25	3 to 8	0 to 3

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