

## SARC RADIO NET NUMBERS / CHECK-INS

**Weekly HF Dawn Patrol – 44** - For week ending Thur 22JUN2023.

**Monday – 4** (After the normal net finished, Paul and Dave went to 70m Mt Nardi, for another session as Andrew VK2XI's signal to 2 metres Parrots Nest was too noisy)

**Tuesday – 4** ()

**Wednesday – 2** (Good QSO anyway with 2XI and 2ARS)

**Thursday- (Dual-Bander)**

- 4 – 2m Parrots Nest. (Cold conditions)

- 4 – 2m Mallanganee (Hogarth Range). (Winter field day)

**Friday 80m (After Dark Net) – 8** (Discussion included conditions and UHF/VHF competition)

**SARC nets and times:** <https://sarc.org.au/nets-broadcasts/>

**SARC repeater information:** <https://sarc.org.au/repeaters/>

## CALENDAR NOTES

Events of interest to SARC are in **BLUE & RED**

Other events of interest for our subscribers are in **GREEN**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### NZART MEMORIAL CONTEST

JUL 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 0800 - 1100 UTC

### IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

JUL 8<sup>th</sup> 1200 UTC - 9<sup>th</sup> 1159 UTC

### COMMITTEE MEETING

JUL 9<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 – 16:00 HRS

### VK TRANS-TASMAN 160/80/40m

JUL 15<sup>th</sup> @ 0800 - 1400 UTC

### RSGB IOTA

JUL 29<sup>th</sup> 1200UTC - 30<sup>th</sup> 1200 UTC

**Beginners Information**

## Tuesday-Net Report

## DIGITAL MODES

- Paul VK2AMT

TUESDAY 20 JUNE, 2023

The Diginet on Tuesday 20th June had the following logins with Paul VK2AMT as VK2SRC: Duncan VK2DLR, Dave VK2ZDR and Jeff VK2WSR. We had our normal couple of rounds of personal news and chat before we all QSY'd to our HF band for another go with Fldigi and Olivia 8-500.

This evening we tried 80 metres, after I tuned out some SWR issues. The noise levels were above S9, one reason why I generally don't use it much. Jeff used his own antenna after the remote connection didn't work. That was a positive benefit, as Jeff didn't have internet dropouts, remote computer problems and latency issues making life difficult. It was a much simpler setup for Jeff also. We were hoping that the ground wave performance on 80m would prove to be better than 40m, and that is how it went. We generally used 20 to 40 watts and that was plenty.

Jeff's S/N ratio was -5 to -8, Dave +10 to +12, Duncan -1 to + 5. The decode was 100% throughout and any fading that we saw didn't affect that decode accuracy at all. I did use a small amount of noise reduction on the 897 to reduce the noise a bit. I think we may have found our winter Diginet frequency. Chris VK2ACD has said quite a bit that 80m is much better for ground wave than 40m – he was dead right. Thanks to Duncan, Jeff and Dave for their support.

-Cheers from Paul VK2AMT (as VK2SRC).

## ACMA Web briefing for Assessors

- Duncan VK2DLR

Last Wednesday the ACMA conducted an on-line briefing session for the current AMC Amateur Radio Assessors. It was well presented and kept to its designated start and finish times. The presenters were friendly, open and knowledgeable of amateur radio and the current state of ACMA thinking. Perhaps the key point is that the ACMA will release details of their proposal in a package released for public consultation in August.

Points discussed in the presentation included:

- The proposed ACMA arrangements will use volunteer assessors similar to the previous WIA and AMC arrangements.
- Fine details of assessor qualifications will be released in August but in general current AMC assessors will transition across to the ACMA arrangement.
- The ACMA will not provide public liability insurance for assessors but assessments done at clubrooms will be covered by their insurance.
- The existing three levels of amateur radio qualifications will continue. Amateur Radio qualifications are still required but an "Amateur Recognition Certificate" will be issued instead of the AOCP. Apparently there is some reason for no longer issuing "certificates of Proficiency".
- The ACMA will remain responsible for the syllabi and only minor changes are expected at this stage.
- The exact process was not disclosed but the intention is that assessors will be able to generate exams from a pool of questions, mark exams and give feedback.
- The assessor will be able to upload the exam results etc to the ACMA.
- The "publicly available" or "Assessor confidential" nature of the question bank was not declared positively.
- Online-only exams are not being considered currently.
- The complex issues of "class licensing" and Callsigns was mentioned but nothing new discussed.
- Likewise the costs of exams and licences remains unresolved.

All in all VK2DLR saw it as a positive step with more to come - in August. Exciting times ahead in amateur radio education and examinations!

- de Duncan VK2DLR

## HAMRADIO CONVENTION report

- Peter Cornelius DL5BCT

One of our international subscribers has kindly put a report together of his experience at the Ham Radio Convention held last weekend in Friedrichshafen on Lake Constance, South Germany.



To view Peter's report please open the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SI5-XCdGndeK2vd59uLWfITKPbZC3zWV/view?usp=sharing>



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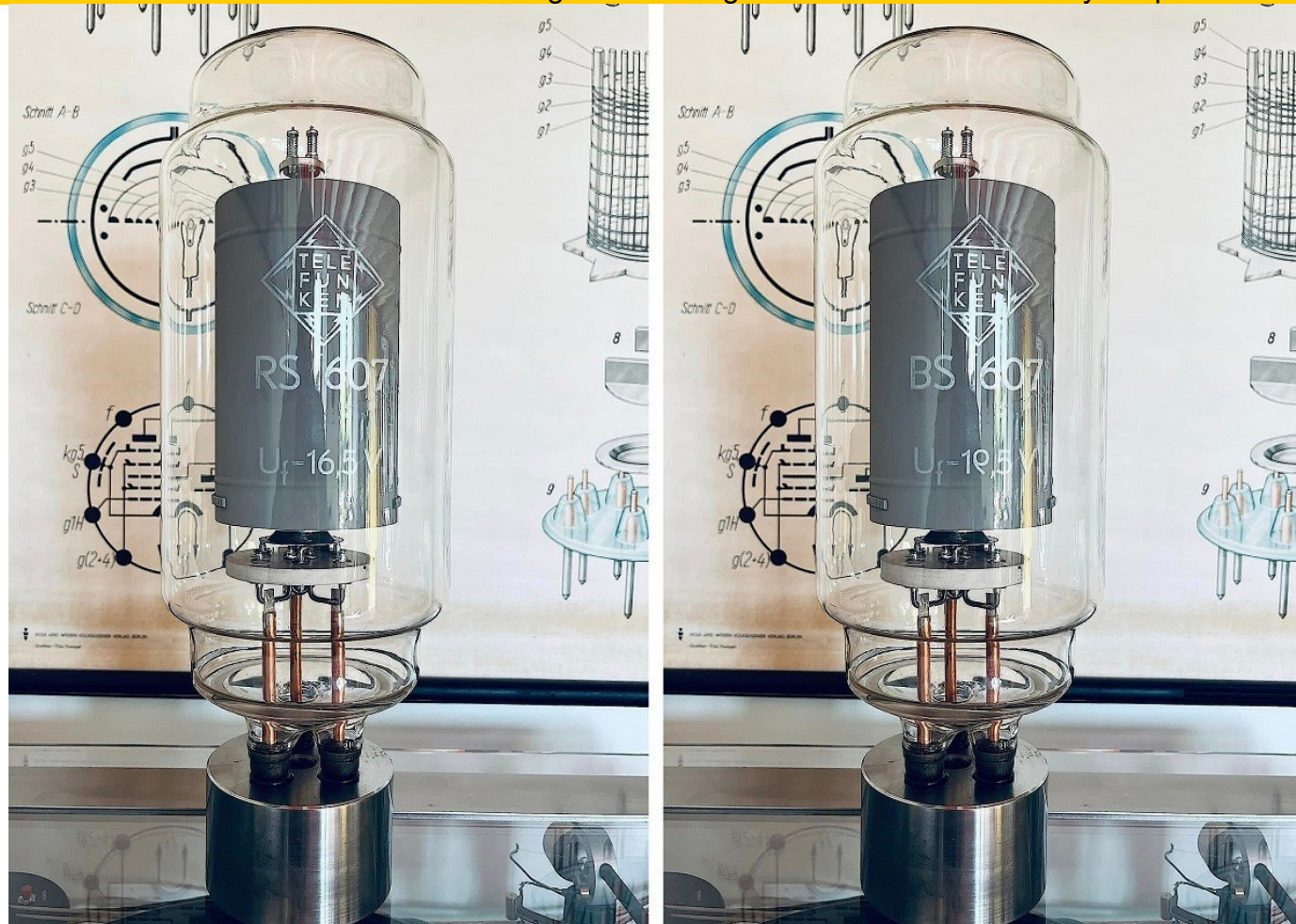
Forecast for East Lismore

	Tue. 27 Jun	Wed. 28 Jun	Thu. 29 Jun	Fri. 30 Jun	Sat. 1 Jul	Sun. 2 Jul
Max (°C)	21	21	20	20	20	18
Min (°C)	2	4	7	3	3	4
Chance of rain (%)	5	20	20	5	10	60
Rainfall range (mm)	0	0	0	0	0	0 to 4





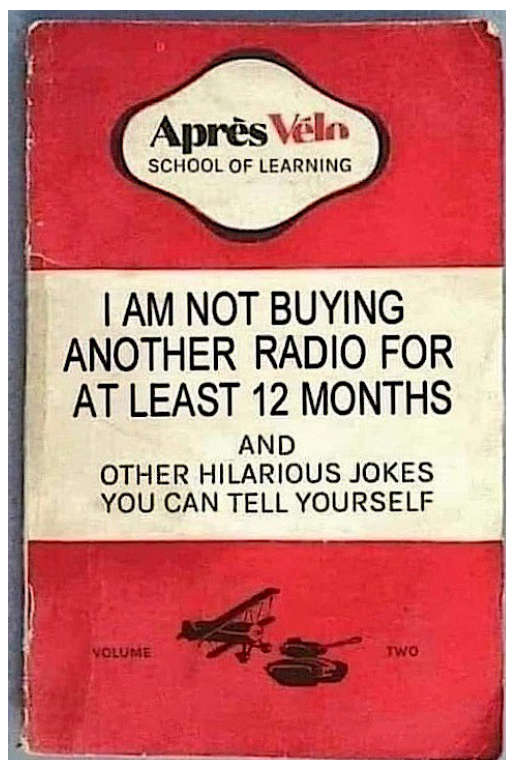
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**BOOK ARCHIVES**

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