

CALENDAR NOTES

Events of interest to SARC are in BLUE & RED Other events of interest for our subscribers are in GREEN OCT 14th 0600 UTC - 15th 0600 UTC

MAKROTHEN RTTY CONTEST

OCT 14th 0000-0800 & 1600-2400 UTC OCT 15th 0800-1600 UTC

> LISMORE SHOW OCT Thu 19th - Sat 21st

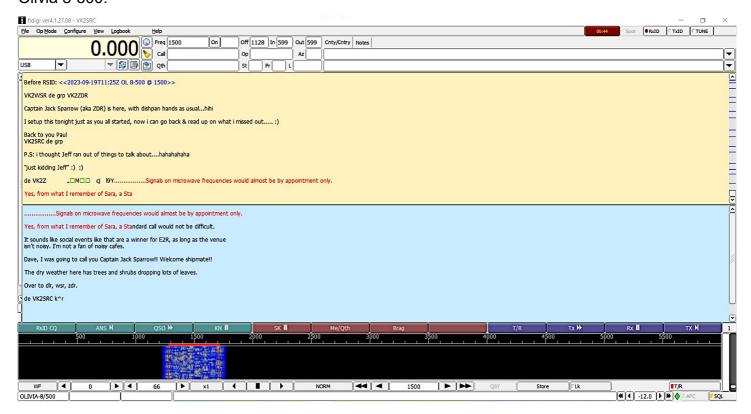
Tuesday - Net Report

DIGITAL MODES

- Paul VK2AMT

TUESDAY19 SEPTEMBER, 2023

Another week rolls by and another Diginet is held. Logging in with Paul VK2AMT as VK2SRC were John VK2ZJJ, Duncan VK2DLR and Jeff VK2WSR. As usual, we had our normal couple of rounds on Parrots Nest 2 metres before we QSY'd to our normal frequency for another session with Fldigi and Olivia 8-500.



The 80 metre band has been guite good lately, giving us good signals. There haven't been any major weather fronts lately with storms and noise. Good. My low local noise of S2 continued. Perhaps part of that is the antenna not working as well as it could!! The signals were being decoded 100% and

signal/noise ratios from Fldigi were all strongly in the positive range. Dave VK2ZDR did join us about 9.15pm and his signals were the strongest of all.

Somewhat said that it was "Talk Like a Pirate Day" so there were a few RRRrrr's in the text. There was also quite a bit of discussion about the SARC Fest. Duncan said that he made up a new brochure called "What is Amateur Radio and How Can SARC Help?". It read really well and should help newcomers to the hobby. Another excellent net with the normal good discussion. Thanks to all who logged in and participated.

- Cheers from VK2AMT (as VK2SRC).

Wednesday Net Report

- Andrew VK2XI

A well attended net with 5 SARC members on tonight. VK2AMT took the role of 2SRC along with VK2XI, VK2WSR via remote, VK2ARS via Echolink and VK2DLR we discussed the up coming SARCfest and the high costs of dentistry amongst other catch-up news.

Thursday Night Dual Repeater Net Report

- de Duncan VK2DLR

SIX? Yes six on the Thursday night. Six, half a dozen, 1/24 of a gross; a reminder that not all number systems are based on ten or two.

VK2ZJJ John, VK2AMT Paul, VK2WSR Jeff, Andrew VK2XI and, Mick VK2XML joined Duncan VK2DLR for a couple of rounds. First on 2m Parrots Nest and then on 2M Malanganee. No surprise that SARCfest preparations dominated the conversation. Both repeaters worked well and there's a good chance that the SARCfest will be the topic of conversation this week.

SARCFEST Reports

- Paul VK2AMT & Ross VK2ARD

Finally, the day arrived, SARCFEST 2023. Strong winds the previous day eased off. Items for sale were laid out on tables. Lachlan VK2FOOD and Duncan VK2DLR had the excellent food area working and serving well before the doors opened at 9am. Ross VK2ARD welcomed everyone before the doors opened and the scrounging began. The club was most fortunate to welcome Graeme VK2QJ and David VK2JUB with the very impressive portable field day caravan and 23cm to 10 GHz microwave antenna setup. The Brisbane VHF Group was most welcome and they presented a very interesting talk on amateur microwave activities, equipment and bands. The group also has some impressive microwave setups at the rear of the clubrooms. After the demonstration, sales continued solidly until lunchtime. A member of the Brisbane VHF Group set up at a portable antenna array Clunes. Successful two way contacts were then made between Graeme and the Brisbane VHF Group setup and the portable station at Clunes on the main frequencies used up to 10 GHz.

The SARCFEST was a very successful day. Items for sale that had prices were open to negotiation and many bargains were made by our visitors. There were lots of happy visitors and smiles. A very happy and positive feeling was evident throughout.

Paul VK2AMT

Our get together on Saturday was more than successful as we had a visit from Geoff VK4GI who drove down from Gladstone region to check out our club and meet some of our members, Geoff signed up to the club earlier this year and quite often uses the remote station in our clubrooms to log into various nets, Geoff was quite impressed by our shack setup.

During Geoff's visit he enquired about any surpass gear that the Gladstone club maybe able to use as a 6 metre repeater, just so happens that our club recently received a Tait TB-7100 vhf low band repeater that with some re-programming can be used for 6 metres, so a quick discussion between the elders and it was decided to donate the radio to Gladstone club to get them up and running on 6m, I am looking forward to working this repeater next time I'm up that way.

- Ross VK2ARD

Letter to the editor

Hi Peter. Thank you for the newsletters. They're very funny. I like the Barbie movie and you screeching off to sarcfest, and the Happiness sale is a gem. I had a few greeeaaat time at the Hamfest today...like Christmas!!

- Sara VK2SUN

SARCFEST PHOTOS













OTHER INTERESTING BITS Click on the 4 images below to open.





Kits VK2TIM on the web.

Here are some suppliers of amateur radio kits, components and module boards - I'll be updating the list every now and then....

http://www.kitsrus.com/

This is the company that sold the Southern Cross 1 280 based computer kit. They have some interesting stuff on their site.

https://shop.heathkit.com/shop

Heathkit are finally back! They have some radio related and general hobbyists kits.

If you like projects and radio,

RadioManual.eu The European web site for Amateur Radio manuals

Manuals and circuit diagrams

These folders contain circuit diagrams and manuals sorted by Manufacturer's Model names and amateur radio band.

Unauthorised copies of diagrams and manuals on CDs have been offered for sale.

We are not responsible for their production, distribution nor their sale.

We suggest to refuse to buy these CDs, as this doesn't help to support us and it is against the genuine HAM spirit!

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE The right-hand image has 10 alterations. Can you spot them?





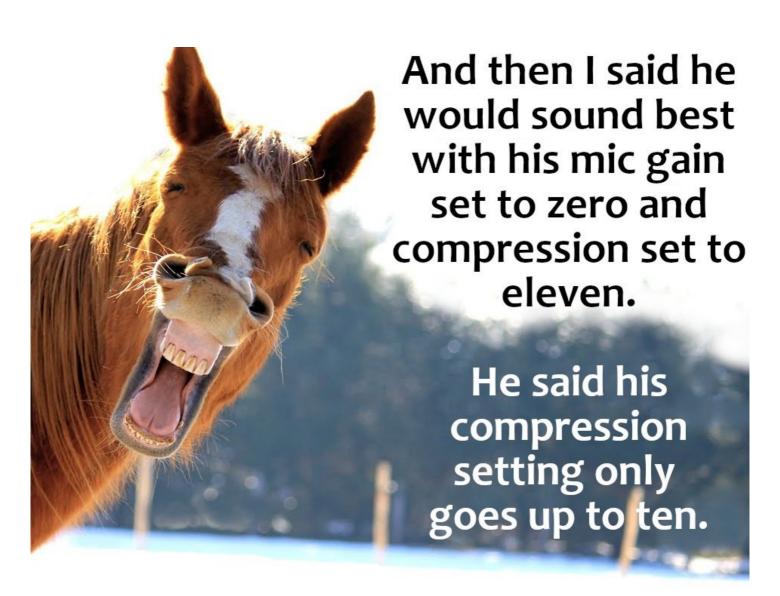
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6-DAY LISMORE (FORECAST). Click image to open METEYE (2480 for East Lismore). Forecast for East Lismore



Forecast for East Li	smore					
	Sep	Wed. 27 Sep	Sep	Sep	Sat. 30 Sep	Sun. 1 Oct
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Max (°C)	28	32	25	27	29	30
Min (°C)	7	10	12	10	10	10
Chance of rain (%)	5	20	40	5	5	5
Rainfall range (mm)	0	0	0 to 2	0	0	0

ENDURO NEXT WEEK



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