



SARC RADIO NET NUMBERS / CHECK-INS

Weekly HF Dawn Patrol – 46 For week ending Thur 25JAN2024.

Monday – 4

Tuesday – 4 (See report)

Wednesday – 3 ()

Thursday- ()

- 5 - 2m Parrots Nest

- 5 - 2m Woodburn

- 4 - 2m Mallanganee

Friday 80m (After Dark Net) – (See report)

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

CLICK ON EVENT NAME TO OPEN

CQ WPX RTTY CONTEST

FEB 10th 0000 GMT - 11th 2359 GMT

SARC AGM & COM MTG

FEB 11th AGM @ 1300 HRS

Followed by committee meeting.

ARRL DX CW

FEB 17th 0000 UTC - 18th 2359 UTC

RUSSIAN WW PSK CONTEST

FEB 17th 1200 UTC - 18th 1159 UTC

CQ WW 160M SSB

FEB 23rd 2200 UTC - 25th 2200 UTC

Tuesday - Net Report

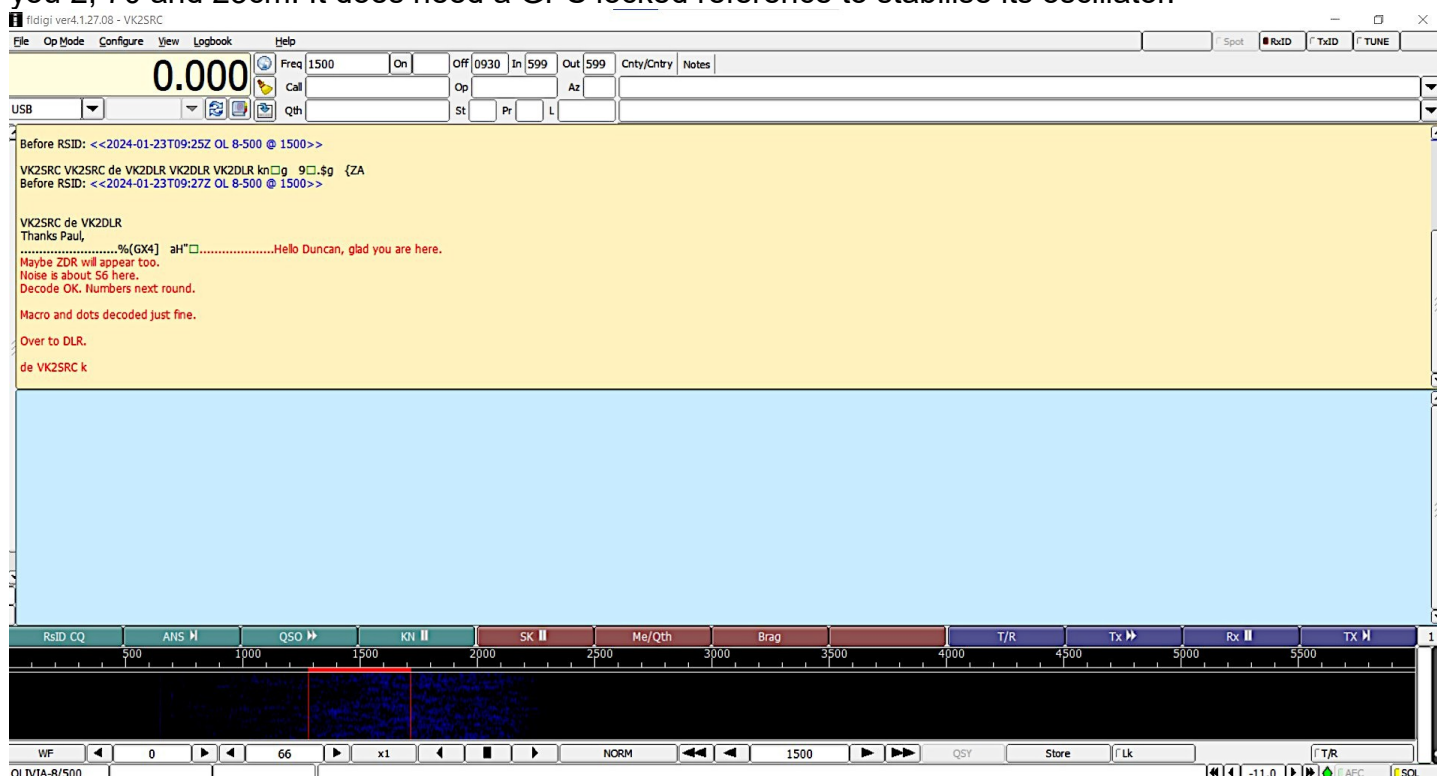
DIGITAL MODES

- Paul VK2AMT

TUESDAY 23 JANUARY, 2024

Logging in this week for the Diginet were: Jo VK2ZJJ, Duncan VK2DLR and Dave VK2ZDR. As usual, we had a couple of rounds of chat on 2 metres Oparrots Nest before Duncan and I QSY'd to 80 metres, 3.590 USB.

Yes, another 2 man net on Fidigi and Olivia 8-500. We really need a couple more operators. The net can work with two participants, but another couple is much more enjoyable. Signals were pretty good, no real problems. Duncan had some RF intruding into the computer early on, something I have had here at times. Discussion ranged from the forthcoming website rescue by Ross and I to Ntechmedia to radio choices if you wanted to start afresh. The Icom 7300 is hard to beat and the Icom 9700 gives you 2, 70 and 23cm. It does need a GPS locked reference to stabilise its oscillator.



As usual, the discussion between Duncan and I covers all sorts of topics. Thanks to Duncan for being there for our 2-man net. It is appreciated.

– Cheers from VK2AMT (as VK2SRC).

Friday After Dark Net Report

- Andrew VK2XI

Another good rollout for the "Australia Day" version of the "Friday After Dark Net". The group included, Warren VK4FABG, Doug VK4DMB, Jim VK2YHP, Brian VK2MBJ, Dave VK2ZDR, Ralph VK4GCR, Roger VK2LRB, Jeff VK2WSR, Ross VK2ARD, Rod VK2TTL, and myself VK2XI as VK2SRC.

I expected it would be a difficult evening with electrical crashes but this was not the case as almost all signals easily punched through and readability was excellent. It was great to hear Roger VK2LRB popup on 80 meters after a long break. The net closed at 8:40.

Summer Field Day Report 2024-01-13 to 14

- Graeme VK2QJ



SARC members Pat FAAD, Graham VK2BWC & Graeme VK2QJ made the trip Friday morning to Vista Point, arriving just in time for lunch. The weather held out, allowing the setup of 2m - 6cm to be completed before nightfall, receive testing of the Brisbane beacon (300km) successful on all bands.

Graham headed home late afternoon, after an enjoyable time assisting with setup. David VK2JUB and son Aydan arriving just before dark, we all pitched in to get his camp setup for the night before settling in for a few light refreshments and chat.

Saturday morning saw the setup of David's 6m & main 70cm station along with my 3cm gear, receive tests were also conducted on the main 70cm & 3cm station with reception of Brisbane beacons proved successful. Reception of the 3cm (10Ghz) beacon is quite outstanding given it is transmitting 1w into an omni antenna at a distance of 300km.

The event started with a good 6m opening with contacts made into VK3, VK7 & ZL. The 2m contacts were made with Harvey Bay some 530km away. The higher band also performed well with contacts of over 330km on 23cm and over 300km on all microwave bands.

The overall number of VK4 stations were well down due to forecast adverse weather north of the border. A few stations ventured out portable Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning, seeing contacts made with most active stations.



Young Aydan enjoyed a few contacts during the Field Day, making 3 generations of the one family active during a single event.

All in all it was a great weekend on a hilltop doing what we enjoy, we are looking forward to the JMMFD in March.



Thanks to all that supported & made contact with us during the event.

Regards Graeme VK2QJ

SUMMERLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB – Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Summerland Amateur Radio Club will be held on Sunday 11 February, 2024 at the Clubrooms, 412 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill at 1.00pm. Nominations for positions on the Committee of the Summerland Amateur Radio Club must be made on the nomination form. The nomination form can be downloaded from the club's website:

<https://sarc.org.au/forms-brochures/>

On the Club website: the drop-down menu - For Anyone - Forms and Brochures.

Nominations for positions must be received by the Secretary on or before Sunday February 4 (7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting). Following the Annual General Meeting, a meeting of the new Committee will take place during which club positions appointed by the Committee will be made.

Paul McGuiness, VK2AMT, Club Secretary.

SARC Membership Subscription Fees

Dear Club Members,

As we enter the New Year I would take this opportunity to remind you that Subscriptions (fees) become due on January 1.

You can renew in any of these ways –

* **By Direct Deposit** To Account Name **SARC General, BSB 728-728**, Account Number **25801032**.

Ensure that you put in the reference: Subs (year) (your callsign or name)

This is the preferred method.

* **By Cheque** To The Secretary, Summerland ARC, 412 Richmond Hill Road, Richmond Hill, NSW 2480

* **In person at the clubrooms**. EFTPOS facilities are now available. Usually there will be someone to assist you on Sunday afternoons from 1300 hrs (1 pm), or at a monthly meeting (see the events calendar on the website)

Note that personal information you provide is considered to be confidential and will not be made public

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2024

Member \$30

Student concession \$15 (for persons in full-time study, under 25)

Family concession \$10 (for persons in the family of a full member

(example with partner member and one child member, subs = 30+10+10 = \$50)

Distant (DX) concession \$15 (for persons resident >100 km from Lismore Post Office)

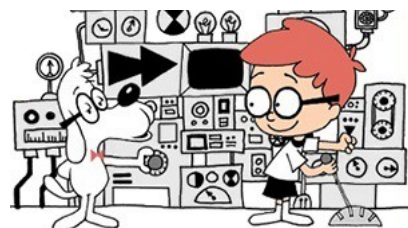
Andrew VK2XI

SARC Treasurer

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



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WABAC MACHINE

Click here to see where it will take you

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



- Woomera 1964

Answer: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1F3kbSzfvZlebYL_A9cE2ofK87v_rr46c/view?usp=sharing

**When you called CQ for
an hour before realizing
that you were transmitting
into your dummy load.**



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