

CALENDAR NOTES

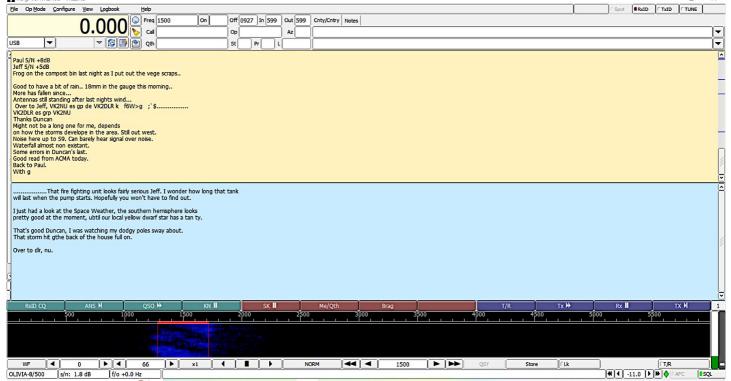
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Tuesday - Net Report

DIGITAL MODES TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER, 2023 - Paul VK2AMT

Logging in for the Diginet this week were: Jo VK2ZJJ, Duncan VK2DLR and Andrew VK2XI. Jeff VK2NU was already on our 80 metre frequency as I tuned up. We had our normal couple of overs on Parrots Nest 2 metres before we QSY'd to 3.590 USB for another run with Fldigi and the ever reliable Olivia 8-500.

Noise levels at my location were about S2. Duncan and Jeff were both about S3. Duncan was +3 to +14 S/N, Jeff was +2 to +8, so there was some QSB about. The band continued to provide good signals. The recent occurrence of solar storms and depressed HF propagation hasn't affected our band. It's been remarkably reliable on our net for months. fldigi ver4.1.27.0



Discussion ranged from Jeff's new firefighting unit to the ACMA news covering the change in management of our hobby from the AMC to themselves. Possible locations for portable radio setups for contests were also discussed. We had a large band of storms out west from the QLD border to the bottom of the state, coming across. This weather was closer to Jeff's location than Duncan and I and the noise increase started to affect Jeff's decode of Duncan's signals.

Just as we were preparing for the last couple of overs, the Goodnight Round, Dave VK2ZDR dropped in at 9.35pm or so, the same time as last week! I think I need to buy that lad an alarm clock! Dave had the strongest signal to me but was only there for the cheerio and 73's round. Thanks as always to all who logged in and participated.

Cheers from VK2AMT (as VK2SRC).

Thursday Night Net Report

- Duncan VK2DLR

Jo VK2ZJJ, Brian VK2MBJ, Jeff VK2WSR and Dave VK2ZDR joined Duncan VK2DLR for a yarn on our three 2M repeaters. Lismore, Woodburn and Mallanganee were used.

5+4+4=13

The conversation ranged far and wide as usual. The risks of mowing after dark lead to discussion on safety. In the end it's up to yourself to recognise potential problems and ways to negate or at least minimise their impact to a tolerable level. This led to discussion on feeling "In the Zone". It's hard to define. A feeling when everything seems to be falling into place and great results are achieved with what feels like very little strain. You know it when you're there... That's the best way to describe it

Hmm. 13. An unlucky number for some and it brings up all sorts of work arounds. Many American buildings don't have a '13th floor'.. Actually the floor between the 12th and the 14th is often an air conditioning plant room. It's convenient to have air conditioning plant that feeds about half a dozen floors above and below. So the 13th floor is a good place to put the heating, cooling and ventilation machinery.

Any avid watcher of the European classic cycling races will see competitor 13 wear one of their race numbers upside down. It lets the bad luck fall out - Apparently. Telstra sidestepped the issue by calling all the numbers starting with one and three their "One Three Hundred" range of numbers for the intelligent network.

And finally; if you think science and technology triumphs over superstition: What number did the near disastrous Apollo mission have?

- de Duncan VK2DLR

Friday After Dark Net Report

A good roll out for the After Dark Net after a slow call-in round. The group included, Warren VK4FABG, Brian VK2MBJ, Peter VK4BT, Steve VK4TSA, Jim VK2YHP, Jeff VK2WSR, Dave VK2ZDR and myself VK2XI as VK2SRC.

Constant electrical crashes were present and disrupted the enjoyment and readability for many. As a result discussions were kept brief but centred around the current CME's upsetting the HF bands, we QSY'd to 40 meters for an over or two with better results. The net closed at 8:45.

Thanks to all who joined in and the SWL's.

- Cheers, Andrew VK2XI

- Jeff VK2WSR

Dawn Patrol Report

The numbers for the Dawn Patrol for the week ending 30-11-23 were 38.

Just a short note on the Dawn Patrol. The past week has provided a huge challenge for the participants on the Dawn Patrol. The 80m band was extremely noisy, leading to much difficulty for joiners in receiving each other on the net, this was not helped by the altitude of the sun during the time of the net. We are led to believe that there is several CME's* heading our way in the near future, these will not make the reception any easier in the near future. Last week we trialled 7.110MHz with some success. Throughout this week we may tweak this to 7.115MHz to avoid a clash with a DX transmission.

If you wish to participate in the Dawn Patrol throughout the summer months, and don't hear us on 3.604MHz, try 7.115MHz, we'll probably be thereabouts... Happy listening.

- Cheers Jeff VK2WSR

- Andrew VK2XI

SARC CHRISTMAS PARTY

It was decided at the Committee Meeting to hold a Christmas Party this year. It will be held on Sunday December 10, at the clubrooms, 412 Richmond Hill Road. The entry fee is \$5 per person. There is a Committee Meeting on that day but it will be moved to 12 noon. The party will start when that meeting is finished, hopefully before 1pm when the party is planned to begin. The event will be catered for, so anyone intending to attend are asked to send an email to: <u>vk2src@gmail.com</u>, confirming names of anyone planning to attend.

Upcoming SSTV from the ISS

Go to the SARC webpage <u>https://sarc.org.au/event/upcoming-sstv-from-the-iss/</u> and get the information on the planned December 7th & 8th transmissions. Information from our internet reporter Shane VK2HAZ.

ACMA Notice

Just in case you missed it; the ACMA has sent an update on the transition from the AMC system to the new ACMA system.

Check out <u>https://acma.cmail19.com/t/d-e-vhhtduk-tlirldthdk-r/</u> for more details including the staged withdrawal of AMC operations from now until February 2024.

More news may be available in two weeks when the ACMA holds a video conference for the WIA / AMC / soon to be ACMA assessors.

- de Duncan VK2DLR

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Rookie Ham Operator's Ultimate Field Guide to RF Fox Hunting: Part 1 - All About the FOX

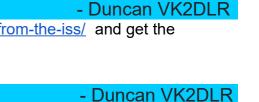
Part 2 - All About the HUNT https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oX3CnWW-llo







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