

Weekly HF Dawn Patrol – 41 For week ending Thur 14MAR2024.

Monday – 2

Tuesday – 4 (See report)

Wednesday – 5 ()

Thursday- ()

- - 2m Parrots Nest

- - 2m Mallanganee

- - 6m Parrots Nest

Friday 80m (After Dark Net) – 12 (See report)

Editor apologises for last week's calendar date error for VK QRP Contest.

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**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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CQ WPX SSB

MAR 30th 0000 UTC - 31st 2359 UTC

EA RTTY CONTEST

APR 6th 1200 UTC - 7th 1200 UTC

VK QRP HRS 80m CONTEST

APR 13th 1000-1059 UTC_CW/Digital
1100-1159 UTC_SSB/Digital Voice

JIDX CW

APR 13th 0700 UTC - 14th 1300 UTC

COMMITTEE MEETING

APR 14th 1300 HRS

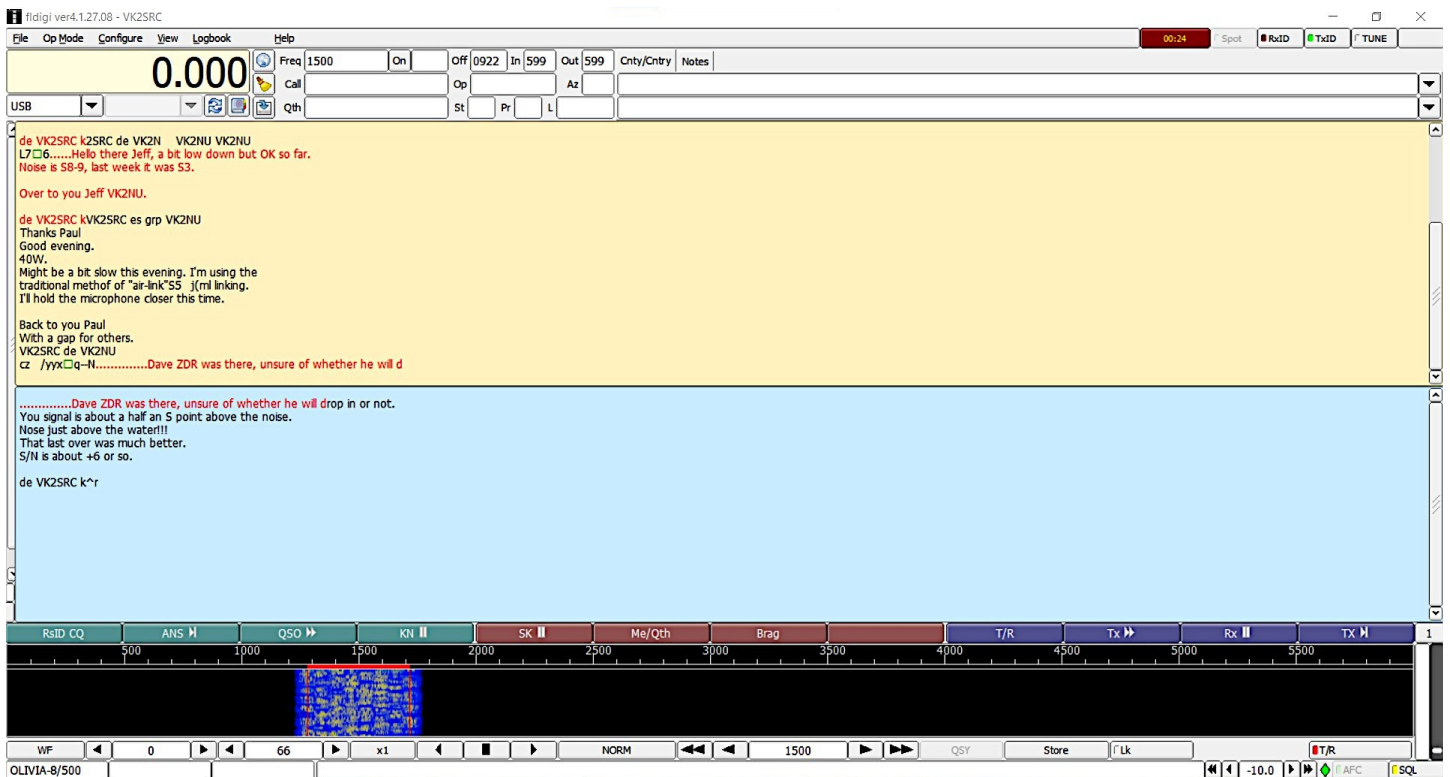
CQMM CW CONTEST

APR 20th 0900 UTC - 21st 2359 UTC

Tuesday - Net Report DIGITAL MODES - Paul VK2AMT

TUESDAY 12 MARCH, 2024

For this evening's Diginet, Paul VK2AMT as VK2SRC welcomed Jo VK2ZJJ and Dave VK2ZDR. As usual we had a couple of rounds on the Parrots Nest 2 metre repeater before I QSY'd to 40 metres, 7.050 USB. Dave was unsure of his attendance, but turned up at 8.35pm.



Jeff VK2NU was there on frequency for our session using Fldigi and Olivia 8-500. Jeff had to use the clumsy but effective method of audio coupling the microphone to the speaker. After the Kenwood TS2000 was zapped by the effects of a lightning strike or surge, Jeff was given the loan of an Icom IC7000 by Ross and was working through the menus and the Signalink setup for that rig. Noise was higher than last week but both Jeff and Dave when he logged in were comfortably above the noise.

There was a brief minute or so when signals just collapsed then came back. Another good net. Thanks to Jeff for making the effort to put together a basic setup so he could join. Thanks to Dave for joining in. Having another operator is so much better.

– Cheers from VK2AMT (as VK2SRC)

Friday After Dark Net Report - Jeff VK2WSR

The Friday After Dark Net numbers for Friday night 14-3-24 were 12.

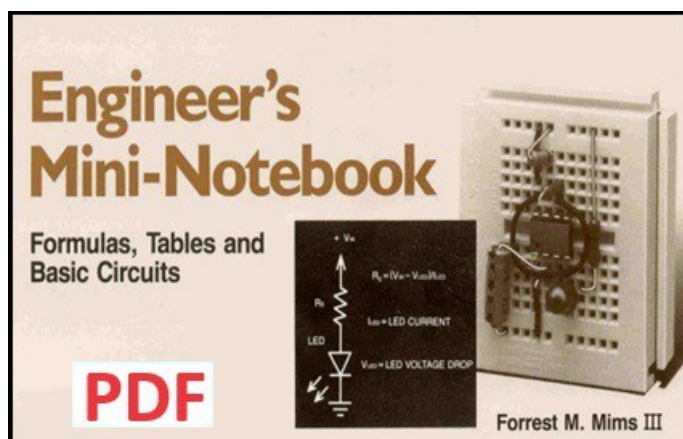
VK2WSR Jeff, VK4FABG Warren, VK2CVD Steven, VK4GCR Ralf, VK2ZDR Dave, VK2YHP Jim, VK2MBJ Brian, VK2XI Andrew, VK2RI Tony, VK4BT Peter, VK4PMW/2 Paul and VK2ARD Ross.

Conditions were very good on 80m, with great contacts again. Some of the topics included for discussion this week were the weather (rain and wind), John Moyle Competition, Space-X re-entry, Starlink launches and groups, Dawn Patrol frequency changes, Daylight saving dates and Football (real and imagined).

Whether you pass the ball by foot, hand or even backwards, why not add your topic to the discussions on Friday nights at 8pm VK2 time, 7pm in VK4?

- Cheers All. Jeff VK2WSR







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



Forecast for East Lismore

| | Tue. 19 Mar | Wed. 20 Mar | Thu. 21 Mar | Fri. 22 Mar | Sat. 23 Mar | Sun. 24 Mar |
|---------------------|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Max (°C) | 27 | 29 | 24 | 25 | 25 | 26 |
| Min (°C) | 17 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Chance of rain (%) | 80 | 50 | 80 | 60 | 70 | 70 |
| Rainfall range (mm) | 1 to 8 | 0 to 1 | 1 to 10 | 0 to 5 | 0 to 7 | 0 to 5 |

Redcliffe & Districts Radio Club – REDFEST

Saturday 6th April 2024. \$5 admission.

St. Michael's College, Caboolture. On Bruce Highway, take Exit 152, then Bribie Island Road. Turn left at the lights onto Old Toorbul Point Road. St Michael's College is well signposted on the right. On site parking.

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Answer: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HuZGVwI0w9fbrxFsX8xoJKfmdAOLXUtt/view?usp=sharing>

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 - No longer manufactured
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- **Collecting**
- **Investment ???**
- **Resell for profit**
- **Its fun doing the repairs!**
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