

EAST GIPPSLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC

Minutes of monthly meeting held on the 26th July at the Rivers Room, RSL, Bairnsdale

The monthly meeting began at 1450 hours.

Present:

Bob Neal (3ZAN), Dot Neal, Peter Brand (3BPB), Joy Brand, Rex Foord (3ARG), Shirley Foord, David Scott (3DY), Peter Filmer (3PRF), Barney Winton (3XBW), Philip Gordon (3BAK), Stephen Stebbing (3SRS), David Ellis (3DLS), Jeremy Stewart (3VCC)

Apologies were received from:

Michael Wain (3HAU), Jon Manley (3FJRM), Amalia Winton

Minutes of last meeting

Moved Philip 3BAK, Seconded Joy Brand, Carried

Reports:

Treasurers Report Balance \$719.83. Moved Joy Brand, Seconded Bob 3ZAN, Carried

Assessment Report Since last meeting

- 1 Advanced Theory/ Regulations/Practical at Paynesville - successful
- 1 Foundation license to be set up for Lakes Entrance candidate

IRLP Report

- Audio problem traced to audio overload between Sound Card and Radio
A 10k pot was inserted in series, MP3 software parameters unchanged
- Allowing access to IRLP 6008 from REG and REM under investigation
- Future migration to use UHF link instead of VHF link to be considered

General Business:

Website:

- Michael 3HAU to clarify the financial situation regarding the website relocation with QSL.net
- Philip 3BAK discussed a review of the website undertaken by his son Angus who is an IT professional in the Web design business. Also the possibility of Angus to work with Michael in making any changes that result in a better web page for the Club.
- It was agreed that the Club Constitution should be sent to Michael 3HAU for inclusion on the website.

Software Designed Radio

- David 3DY presented a review on the FlexRadio products and discussed generally the comments, particularly those from French amateurs, and others who use SDR equipment.

Insurance

- David 3DY discussed both Public indemnity and Personal Insurance based on his experience with the Royal Horticultural Society and the implications for our Club and its Members.
- Also the desirability of the Club implementing a register of meeting/event attendees
- The costs associated with Insurance and the affordability versus liability situation given the Club now has no Public Liability or Personal Policies in force. (brought about by the Clubs financial position)

ELF

- David 3DY enquired as to the relevance of the new experimental frequency of 137khz

EME

- A general discussion centered around the use of EME by Amateurs in the area

Future Club Projects

- The President (Philip 3BAK) requested that the members have input into future club activities/projects and Guest Speakers that could be invited to address the monthly meetings.

Action List

<u>Description of action required</u>	<u>Responsible</u>
Constitution to be sent to Michael VK3HAU	ZAN
Prepare details for a project to monitor repeater vital signs	BAK
Mailing lists to be sent to XBW	ZAN
President to make contact with Amateurs in area	BAK
Speaker / Presenter for next and future meetings	BAK
Facilitate access to IRLP from REG and REM	XBW
Prepare details for a project if feasible to transfer the IRLP	
Linking from VHF to UHF.	XBW

The meeting closed at 1655 hours.

The next meeting to be held on the 23rd August 2009 at the RSL Rivers Room Bairnsdale at 1330 hours.

These minutes have been reformatted from the original font to improve their readability.

The contents are as originally printed.....B.Winton Secretary