



# Western Suburbs Radio Club Inc.

## May 2011 Newsletter

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 VHF Club Net Wednesday 07:30pm 146.525 MHz,  
 HF Club Net Fridays 07:30pm 3.623 MHz  
 Website <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac>

### Club Calendar

Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	May	Remits
Monday	30 <sup>th</sup>	May	AREC Section Meeting 7:30pm WSRC
Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	June	Paul ZL4AX on Packet Radio
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	October	Jumbo Challenge Indoor Bowles

### May Meeting

The May meeting will deal with Remits. There are 13 of these this year so read them in your March/April Break-in and be ready to vote. We also need to appoint a delegate to represent the Club at the forthcoming NZART Conference AGM. Paul, ZL4AX, was to talk to us on May 14<sup>th</sup> but this date clashed with the Radio and Electronics Group's Sale in Hamilton and a number of Club members, and Paul I presume, wanted to go. Paul's talk is rescheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> June.

### April Meeting

The April meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> was the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and was not well attended however the committee members and a couple of club members managed to make up the quorum. Apologies were received from ZL1SK. Minutes of the 2010 AGM were read and confirmed. Reports were received from the President, the Treasurer and the AREC Section Leader. The Treasurer reports that the club funds are holding their own but that there is little surplus. It is essential that we run fund raising activities during the year and that without these fund raising activities it would be necessary to increase the annual subscription. It was decided to hold the annual fees at the same level \$30 for membership, \$35 for family membership and \$10 for remote/rural membership. AREC is continuing but at a reduced level. The section is being maintained and provides assistance to other sections as required and maintains the equipment that it has. The members have assisted with parades and car rallies. The committee was re-elected with the addition of Brian, ZL1MW. The Millar Cup was presented to Ian Sangster for his services to the Club. The Presidents report is as follows:

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2010/2011 BR. 03 - WESTERN SUBURBS RADIO CLUB.

The year has progressed with the club in a stable situation. We have changed to Saturday morning meetings, which takes away a conflict with other branch meetings on the same night, and makes it easier for our members who do not like to drive at night.

A club station was erected for the Jock White Memorial Field Day and some of our newer members participated.

Some work has been carried out at the clubrooms, a sign replaced, and a little maintenance.

Our used equipment sale was successful and remains the club's major event for the year. We are seeking donations of equipment for the 2011 sale.

Some of our members assist with the weekly radio checks at the Waitakere base in Elcoat Ave each Wednesday morning on a rostered system.

Wish everyone the best for the rest of 2011 and through to 2012.

Ian Sangster ZL1RCA. President.

## Silent Key Leslie Greendale ZL1AHP

It is with regret that the club records the passing of Les Greendale ZL1AHP on 20th April 2011. Les was a life member of the club having joined about 1950. Les was a Solicitor by profession and became our Honary Solicitor. Les lived with his wife Audrey in Golf Road Green Bay until his retirement about 25 years ago when he moved to Paiha, Bay of Islands where he died aged 95 years.

## AREC

The only AREC activity during the April was the AREC nets. There will be a section meeting at 7:30 pm on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at the Club Rooms. Ross to confirm date time and agenda.

## Newsletter Archive

On the club web I have placed all the past newsletters that I can find. Ross has provided me with some that were missing but I still need a few more to complete the set. I am missing November 2001, December 2001, April 2002, March 2002, July 2002 and September 2002. I have September 1995, April 1996, June 1996, February 1997 and January 1999. Any other Newsletters prior to February 2001 would be appreciated. If you have a collection of past newsletters then I would appreciate a copy of these so that I can place them on the web. Either a paper copy or in pdf file format would be all I need. Alternatively I could borrow and make a copy. For the record, the past newsletters that I have can be found at:

[http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac/newsletter\\_files/newsletter-archive.html](http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac/newsletter_files/newsletter-archive.html)

Any assistance gratefully accepted.

Ed - ZL1NE

## How You Can Help Improve Ethical Conduct

Just as we work to improve our technical skills, we should all aspire to hold ourselves to the highest ethical operating standards. This Code is a reminder of the high ideals of which we are all capable. We invite you, your national society, your DX Club, and your friends to join in and publicize this effort. It is no secret that the on-the-air behaviour of hams, especially in pileups, has gotten worse in the last few years. Unpleasant, uncivil, impolite behaviour of our fellow hams reduces the enjoyment of our hobby. It does not have to be that way nor should it be. Impolite behaviour is counter-productive and simply inconsistent with the aim of our hobby, to have fun.

## DX Code of Conduct



- I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.
- I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.
- I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign before calling.
- I will not interfere with the DX station nor anyone calling and will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.
- I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.
- I will always send my full call sign.
- I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.
- I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.
- I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.
- I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.
- When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.
- I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.
- I will respect my fellow hams and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

**World Wide South America CW Contest**

ED - I received this from the organisers. Some WSRC Club Members may like to participate

Hello dear OM/YL:

We want to ask your support to the WWSA CW CONTEST, which over the years is becoming a classic of the telegraph amateur radio worldwide. This is a dream that began in 1982 with Raul LU6EF and two Brazilian silent key amateur radio, but who have left their mark on our hearts, they were PY1AFA Gilberto Affonso Penna and PY1CC Carlos Vianna Carneiro. It was so then the two groups join together to make reality an old illusion, the Group Pica Pau Carioca in Rio de Janeiro and the CW Group of Argentine sealed an oral gentlemen’s commitment, without any documents.

Time has passed with ups and downs, but here we are today a GACW volunteers determined that the WWSA will be an important date in the international calendar, to do just need your support and presence in each contest.

Cordiales Saludos

Best regards Alberto U. Silva LU1DZ WWSA Contest Manager  
World Wide South America

SECOND WEEK END OF JUNE EACH YEAR  
15.00 UTC Saturday till 15.00 UTC Sunday – 24 hours period.

**Club Nets**

VHF Net 146.525 MHz 7:30pm every Wednesday, HF Net 3623 KHz +/- QRM/QRN 7:30pm every Friday. All are welcome to check in on the nets. The full HF Net Roster can be found on <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac/wsrc-hf-roster.html>

20-May-11	ZL1NE	John
27-May-11	ZL1ACZ	Barry
3-Jun-11	ZL1WI	Roy
10-Jun-11	ZL1VRR	Ross
17-Jun-11	ZL1RCA	Ian
24-Jun-11	ZL1MW	Brian
1-Jul-11	ZL1NE	John

**Club Fees**

Club Fees are Now Due. Please send your payment to:

Western Suburbs Radio Club  
3000 Great North Road  
PO Box 15-122  
New Lynn  
WAITAKERE 0640

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Please Tick	Standard Membership	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00
	Family Membership	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$35.00
	Rural Membership	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$10.00
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