



Western Suburbs Radio Club Inc.

November/December 2012 Newsletter

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VHF Club Net Wednesday 07:30pm 146.525 MHz,

HF Club Net Fridays 07:30pm 3.650 MHz

Website <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac>

Club Calendar

Saturday	24 th	November	Committee Meeting – 9:00am
Saturday	24 th	November	Club Meeting 10:00am – Show and Tell – and Mini Sale/Swap Meeting
Wednesday	12 th	December	Christmas Dinner at the New Lynn RSA 6:30pm

Compliments of the Season

The Committee of the Western Suburbs Radio Club

Wish to extend to all Members a

Very Merry Christmas

And a

Happy New Year

Newsletter for November / December

I have decided to combine the November and December newsletters. This is because by the time you receive the November newsletter I would need to get out the December newsletter just a fortnight later, to be in good time for the Christmas dinner on the 12th. Sorry the newsletter is short again.

November Meeting

This will be a show and tell, but with a difference. It will be show and tell on one of your other hobbies. Start thinking about what you could give a few minutes talk on. There will also be a mini sale and swap session for club members only during this meeting.

December Meeting

The December meeting will be dinner at the New Lynn RSA on Wednesday the 12th commencing at 6:30 pm, all welcome.

Club Nets

VHF Net 146.525 MHz 7:30pm every Wednesday,
HF Net 3650 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>

23-Nov-12	ZL1RCA	Ian
30-Nov-12	ZL1MW	Brian
7-Dec-12	ZL1ACZ	Barry
14-Dec-12	ZL1WI	Roy
21-Dec-12	ZL1NE	John
28-Dec-12	ZL1RCA	Ian

AREC

There will be an AREC Section Leaders meeting Thursday 22 November 2012, 7:30 pm at 400 East Coast Road.

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST NEWS

The next contest is the Field Day Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the DX Weekend Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of February 2013. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The Contest Rules are available at: www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to: zl2wa@clear.net.nz with Contest Log in the subject line.

Or by post to:

Contest Manager
Wellington VHF Group
P.O. Box 12-259
Thorndon
Wellington

DX'pedition

One of the most important DX'peditions of the year is about to start. ZL9HR will be active from the UNESCO World Heritage Campbell Island which is 650Km south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean. This Sub-Antarctic island is sought after not only for DXCC and IOTA (OC-037) awards but I have been informed by August HB9TZA, also for the World Flora and Fauna radio award where the island has the reference ZLFF-019. Please check out www.wff44.org for details of that competition.

I am glad to report all plans are still on schedule and ZL9HR will be active on all bands from 160m to 6m from November 28th to December 9th January from Campbell Island. Here's hoping for mild weather and good propagation for the event.

As always please refer to the DX'Pedition's website zl9hr.com for all details and latest updates.

Thanks, this is Ed VK2JI Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

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Nothing particularly significant in the above transceiver, however a few stations have been using this rig in the Sunday night 2-metre USB net on 144.200MHz. The net follows the 8:15 pm Branch 66 News and Net. All welcome.