



Western Suburbs Radio Club Inc.

June 2013 Newsletter

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 HF Club Net Fridays 07:30pm 3.650 MHz
Website <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac>

Club Calendar

Wednesday	19 th	June	Mid-Winter Matariki Dinner at the New Lynn RSA
Saturday	22 nd	June	Club Meeting 10:00am – John ZL1NE On Traffic Engineering
Tuesday	16 th	July	Franklin Radio Club Junk Sale
Saturday	27 th	July	Committee Meeting – 9:00am
Saturday	27 th	July	Club Meeting 10:00am – Guest Speaker - To Be Confirmed
Saturday	24 th	August	Committee Meeting – 9:00am
Saturday	24 th	August	Club Meeting 10:00am – Bring and Tell
Saturday	21 st	September	Committee Meeting – 9:00am
Saturday	21 st	September	Club Meeting 10:00am – e-Book Presentation
Saturday	2 nd	November	Used Equipment Sale
Saturday	23 rd	November	Committee Meeting – 8:00am Working Bee
Saturday	23 rd	November	Club Meeting 9:00am – Working Bee at the Club – Proposal is to paint the outside of the Clubrooms.
Saturday	30 th	November	Working Bee Rain Day
Wednesday	18 th	December	End of Year Dinner at the New Lynn RSA

Mid-Winter Dinner Matariki

On the 19th June 2013 we will celebrate Matariki with a mid-winter dinner at the New Lynn RSA. Start time about 6:00pm. All are welcome.

Matariki is a time to give thanks to the land, sea and sky, all essential elements to good radio communications. Matariki is an important event on the Maori calendar being the start of the New Year. It is timed when a star formation becomes visible in the morning sky. The star formation will be visible around 6:45 am from the 10th June to the 24th June. Look low on the horizon towards the northeast to view the cluster.



The Matariki Start Cluster in the north-eastern pre-dawn sky.

Best Time to See Matariki

10th June 6:45 am – very low on the horizon

17th June 6:45 am

18th June 6:41 am

19th June 6:37am

20th June 6:33am – probably about 5 degrees elevation

21st June 6:29 am

22nd June 6:25 am

23rd June 6:21am

24 June 6:17 am

24th June 6:45am – probably about 10 degrees elevation

Information from the NZ Herald 13th June 2013.

June Meeting

The June meeting will be a talk on traffic engineering by John Neill. Last time John spoke he talked on the basics of road design. This time he will move into the area of road safety and the initiatives being taken by road controlling authorities to make our roads safer.

May Meeting

Ian gave us an interesting talk on his recent trip to the USA. During the trip he managed to squeeze in visits to three radio sales in various parts on the south west of the USA. Pictures indicate sales very similar to our own sales but on a larger scale. Ian also showed pictures of the cities he visited and some of the attractions in those cities. Thanks Ian for an interesting talk.

QSL Cards

ZL1DAM David and ZL1BGB Ross are looking for assistance in running the Auckland QSL bureau. If you can assist them it would be appreciated. Give either of them a call.

WWW.dub.dub.dub

Eric ZL1ERI has developed a website. On his site you will find all sorts of interesting things. There are handy electrical calculators, assistance in tuning TV's and VCR's, catching cockroaches and bus timetables to name a few. Have a look and I am sure Eric will be interested in any feedback you may have.

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 HF Net roster is opposite. The full HF Net roster can be found on:

<http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac/wsrc-hf-roster.pdf>

14-Jun-13	ZL1NE	John
21-Jun-13	ZL1RCA	Ian
28-Jun-13	ZL1MW	Brian
5-Jul-13	ZL2ATZ	Tony
12-Jul-13	ZL1WI	Roy
19-Jul-13	ZL1NE	John
26-Jul-13	ZL1RCA	Ian
2-Aug-13	ZL1MW	Brian
9-Aug-13	ZL2ATZ	Tony
16-Aug-13	ZL1WI	Roy
23-Aug-13	ZL1NE	John
30-Aug-13	ZL1RCA	Ian

AREC

John Neill ZL1NE has assumed the responsibilities on AREC Section Leader. More members are required for the Section. Please contact John Neill (ZL1NE) on 09 263 2505 if you are interested in being involved. Currently the section is not very active but we do maintain the AREC equipment that we have and Ian ZL1RCA and Grant ZL1GSM carry out weekly checks of the Civil Defence radios at Elcoat Avenue.

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

Or pay the Secretary at the next meeting.

NAME _____

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