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Hi Everyone,

Thanks to all members and our 2 guests for attending the last meeting. Thanks to Kane VK3HKH for your interesting talk on IRLP after the meeting.

Thing are looking pretty busy for me this month so I will keep things short and

Unfortunately I will be unable to attend

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Presidents Report for September 2009

the October meeting as I am away so Kane VK3HKH will be taking the chair in my absence. Thanks Kane.

The preparation for our HAMFEST on Sunday 11th October is full steam ahead. Our table numbers are looking good with some really impressive door and raffle prizes up for grabs this year. If all members could keep spreading the word I'm sure this year's event will be very successful.

Congratulations to Peter VK3FPSR for his new callsign. I believe a few of the boys will be heading up you way soon to help you with some antenna rigging. Welcome the bands and look forward to talking with

you soon on the air.

Newsletter content is still very low so if members could please forward all their newsworthy content to Lisa it will make our newsletter as interesting as possible.

I look forward to seeing you all at the hamfest in October.

Cheers Toby VK3PNF

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OPEN CLUB INVITATION

Digital ATV Presentation

Friday Oct 16th @ 7.00pm

M.A.R.C will be holding a **Digital ATV Presentation on** the 16th October at 7.00pm The Digital ATV presentation by Peter Cossins will take place at approximately 7.30pm. There will be no club meeting that night. If you would like to attend then please contact the

M.A.R.C to confirm numbers.

Minutes of the Shepparton and district Amateur Radio Club for September 5th 2009.

Meeting was opened by Toby VK3PNF at 13:02 Hours.

Present:

VK3TEX Les, VK3HKHKane, VK3COPRon, VK3PNF Toby, VK3DAG Steve, VK3OV Pat, VK3DSF Max, VK3FIRW Ian, VK3FJHM John, VK3VGTrevor, VK3AHT VK3XNW Geoff, Neil, VK3FALN Alan, VK3HBW Brian, VK3AJD Alan, SWL VK3FTBK Greg Jaeschke, VK3FADC Dave. Denis. VK3UG Rodney, VK3ECH Rob, VK3BG Ed, SWL Max Matthey, VK3TJS Jacek VK3TJS.

Apologies:

Clint VK3CAF, Tibor VK3-FTIB, Alan VK3AYD, John VK3PXJ, Jan VK3ALF, Ian VK3JNC, Peter VK3FBEN,

Minutes of the previous meeting:

Circulated for club members perusal at meeting.

Rodney gave a report on the battery system upgrade on the hill for the Amateur and CB System.

It was commented that the secretary misquoted an aspect of last meetings discussions that the CB repeater owners would contribute to the repairs/upgrade to the battery system. This was taken out of context and the secretary apologised for any misunderstandings. The CB repeater owners made no undertakings of any kind to assist with any financial upgrades/repairs to the repeater battery system. And for the record stated that they would like their battery system completely separate and isolated from the Amateur system.

There were reports that the newsletter in print form was very late to one member and due to several circumstances that contributed to the lateness of the newsletter which could not be avoided. Those with email did not have any problems.

Moved to pass the minutes of the previous meeting by Les VK3TEX, with the amendment that the CB repeater operators would not financially contribute to the battery system upgrade. Seconded by Rob VK3ECH, Carried.

Financial Report:

Ron VK3COP passed a copy of the treasurers report around the room for the members and it was moved by VK3COP Ron, seconded by VK3UG Rodney. Carried.

Correspondence in and out: None.

General Business:

Rodney VK3UG gave a brief report on the progress of the 6M repeater and also Rob VK3ECH gave a report on the antenna system that will be going up in the air for the 6M system.

Toby gave a brief report on the Dstar repeater and had it on display in the clubrooms, and gave a run-down on the multiplexing system that will be run up there for the analogue system also.

Also there is need for a 70cm antenna and if we cant source one from the club members then a motion will be raised to purchase a new one.

Discussion about the hamfest was had and there was a ques-

tion about any further bookings for the Hamfest and there were no additions at this stage.

Minutes of September Meeting

Toby gave a run-down on the people who had already booked tables for the Hamfest so far. The advertisement in AR was shown to the members.

Toby gave a run-down on the prizes for the Hamfest as well. Les VK3TEX put himself down for a table.

Pat VK3OV gave a report on the tables that have been repaired at the hall and what is available.

The kitchen will be handled by the ladies again this year as they do a fantastic job.

Volunteers for the various activities were called for. There were plenty of people to do the hall set-up for the Saturday.

There was also a reminder that the AGM will be held in November.

There was a discussion about the raffle and door prize on how it will be handled and what time it would be drawn.

Toby declared the meeting closed at 14:15 hours.



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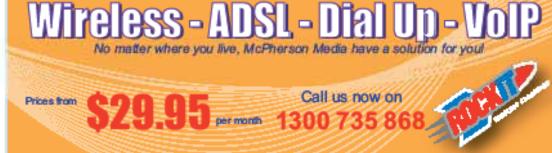
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FOR SALE

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It has performed fault-lessly for years and is one of the best DX radios out there. It has worked many DX countries around the world and is a reluctant sale.

It has had all known problems rectified on the set and has had the pass band tuning mod done to improve

the radio performance. It is in top working order and condition.

It has the same receiver specs as the top of the line IC-781 in its day. Has its own in built power supply and ATU.

The transmitter was tested to be the cleanest in its day by the ARRL labs.

It is surplus to requirements as i have two other HF sets.

Comes with HM-36 Hand mic. (original that came with the set)(original box too!)





and user manual and the hard to find service manual. Included are also lots of mods and other notes off the internet.

It has great reviews on www.eham.net in the reviews section. 4.9 out of 5.

Check it out!

I am giving club members and others who read the newsletter first preference otherwise if not sold it will be going on the table at

the 2009 Shepp Hamfest.

Originally bought for \$5000. Sell price \$1200 firm.

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