



## Bulletin

**6<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

Good Morning: - Herewith the Bulletin for Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2014. This is **Victor Five One November Alpha Mike**, the official Amateur Radio Station of the Namibian Amateur Radio League, operated this morning from Windhoek by Werner, V51JP, to transmit Amateur Radio News to Radio Amateurs and all listeners on this frequency. This is a service by the Namibian Amateur Radio League, in the interest of all Radio Amateurs in Namibia. This Bulletin is broadcast on 7069 Kilo Hertz, Lower Side Band, at 08:00 local time, on the first Sunday of every Month. It will also be transmitted on 2 meters as well as 3720 Kilo Hertz, Lower Side Band and on Echo Link via V51RS-R. This bulletin is also published on the NARL website for download. Enquiries and comments relating to the Bulletin, or the NARL, may be made on the air after the Bulletin, or by writing to:

**Namibian Amateur Radio League, P O Box 1100, Windhoek, Namibia.**

The items in today's bulletin are:

- 1. Council News**
- 2. Repeater News**
- 3. Monthly meetings**
- 4. Members Input**
- 5. Local news**
- 6. International News**

## **1. Council News**

No news received

## **2. Repeater News**

All repeaters are functional except 70cm. Robert V51RS and George V51GU visited the Gross Herzog high site and serviced all equipment and investigated the issues currently experienced with the Gamsberg link. It appears that the battery on Gamsberg has reached the end of its life and has to be replaced soon. D-Star is now running the newest software and is permanently linked to DCS 001 C. A set of precise instructions will be published on the NARL website as soon as they become available

## **3. Monthly meetings**

No monthly meeting was held in February.

## **4. Members Input**

The scout club station of Michael V51Q is fully operational and a real pleasure to operate. Everyone who does not have an antenna or the necessary equipment to operate short wave or anyone who is in the mood to work a pileup is welcome to contact Michael and have some fun on the air!

George V51GU was able to secure the sponsorship of a new battery for the Gamsberg repeater. The NARL would herewith like to thank Electro Tech for the kind sponsorship and George for organizing this.

## **5. Local news**

Namibia will participate for the first time in the IARU HQ contest. This contest is open to all IARU member societies and Martin V51W and Klaus V51L, with the blessing of the NARL have successfully applied for the contest call sign V55HQ. The official NARL HQ station will be hosted on Martins Farm on the weekend of 12 and 13 July 2014

## **6. International News**

### **IARU Region 1 young radio ham achievement award**

The IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator, **Lisa Leenders, PA1LS** has asked IARU member societies to submit names for the 'Outstanding Youth Ham Award' The young radio amateurs achievement award will be presented to a person who in 2013 showed enthusiasm and commitment to amateur radio and engaged in their national amateur radio organisation.

The selection criteria are:

- In 2013, aged 18 years or younger
- Licensed radio amateur
- Showed enthusiasm and commitment through activities for amateur radio.
- Engages with amateur radio activities within the IARU national society

### **Conclusion**

This concludes the Bulletin for Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2014. Should you wish to comment on any of the items in the Bulletin, please feel free to do so after this service. This bulletin was compiled and read by Werner V51JP, as a service to all Radio Amateurs, Short Wave Listeners and Electronic Enthusiasts. Thank you for listening.

This is Victor 51 November Alpha Mike, operated by V51JP, continuing with the call in list.

**40M**

8H00: V51JF V51GB V51RS V51BP V51RJ V51P

**80M**

8H00:

**2M**

8H00:

**ECHO-LINK**

8H00:

This is V51NAM handing the frequency back for normal use