

3rd April Bulletin

Good Morning: - Herewith the Bulletin for Sunday, 3rd April 2016. 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

The next AGM is due in a few months and we would really like to see a few more faces than the usual trustworthy crowd!

2. Repeater News

All repeaters are up and running. Robert V51RS and Derek V51DM have optimised the Swakop Repeater even more and it is working very well!

Friedhelm V51FH is traveling up Gamsberg tomorrow to adjust the radio there in an effort to eliminate the noise heard at every over. This noise is only heard on the swakop repeater and should be eliminated after the adjustment.

3. Monthly meetings

Nothing to report

4. Members Input

I will do the Luderitz to Walfish desert tour during the first week in May. If anyone is interested in the gridsquare award for the Diamond gridsquares please contact me so we can organize a sked. I still have to install the HF antenna on the jeep but I am confident that I will manage before the trip.

5. Local news

Nothing to report

6. International News

40 students learn about amateur radio and satellites

On Wednesday last week, 40 learners from schools around Pretoria attended a morning workshop about amateur radio and satellites.

The workshop was part of the Innovation Hub holiday programme during which grade 10 and 11 learners are exposed to various work and science situations. AMSAT SA was invited to talk about space related activities.

The workshop was presented by Nico van Rensburg ZS6QL and Hans van de Groenendaal ZS6AKV. The workshop started with a talk about amateur radio illustrated by short video clips. During practical demonstrations the learners were shown how a transponder works, how satellites orbit around the world and how

antennas are used to track satellites including using smartphone applications.

Conclusion

This concludes the Bulletin for Sunday the 3rd April 2016. 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.

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8H00: V51BP V51JF V51SN V51RS

80M

8H00:

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ECHO-LINK

8H00:

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