

## **4<sup>th</sup> March 2012 Bulletin**

Good Morning: - Herewith the Bulletin for Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012. 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 2Meters as well as 3720 Kilo Hertz, Lower Side Band and on Echo Link via V51RS-R. This bulletin is also printed in the monthly newsletter. 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**

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### **2. Repeater News**

The D-Star repeater and Gateway are up and running. They are currently located on my workbench for testing and as soon as the microwave link is sorted it will be moved to the high site.

Please check out the NARL website and register for the D-Star

service in the meantime.

### **3. Monthly meetings**

A meeting was held in February and the V521NAM QSL issue was discussed. The QSL cards are now with our QSL manager, Fritz V51FW who will organize a QSL writing day to get all QSL cards sent out.

### **4. Members Input**

Our last Newsletter was published in March last year after which our editor had to resign out of professional reasons. No replacement has been found and i appeal to everyone on this frequency today. We need a new editor. PLEASE!

### **5. Local news**

Our first INTECHNET broadcast was transmitted last month and was very interesting. At times the audio was very soft but generally it was a good experience. Any ideas as to wat topics you would like to have discussed are welcome.

### **6. International News**

#### **Raspberry Pi computer now on sale**

The £22 Model B **Raspberry Pi ARM** computer board is now available from Farnell or RS Components.

Developed in Cambridgeshire by a UK registered charity, the Raspberry Pi Foundation, the Rasberry Pi is a credit-card sized computer board that plugs into a TV and a keyboard. It's a miniature ARM-based PC which is sure to find many applications in Amateur Radio.

The idea for Raspberry Pi came from video game veteran David Braben who was searching for a way to inspire young people to start a career in technology. He got his start in games thanks to

the BBC Micro on which he, and school friend Ian Bell, created pioneering computer game Elite.

## **Conclusion**

This concludes the Bulletin for Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012. The next Bulletin will be presented Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012. The NARL depends on club newsletters, Radio Magazines and individuals for news of interest to radio amateurs. The only way to ensure that your contribution reaches the NARL is to send it via email to the secretary of the NARL. 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: V51BP V51RS V51GB V51PJ V51JF

### **80M**

8H00:

### **2M**

8H00:

### **ECHO-LINK**

8H00:

This is V51NAM handing the frequency back for normal use