



Bulletin

5th October 2013

Good Morning: - Herewith the Bulletin for Sunday, 5th October 2013. 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 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

With 2013 drawing to a rapid close it is party time again. If you have suggestions please forward them to me or any council member. If nothing is received we will again go to heya lodge and a date will be announced in due course.

2. Repeater News

All repeaters are functional except 70cm.

3. Monthly meetings

No monthly meeting was held in September.

4. Members Input

a. Peter V51BP who is currently managing the QSL bureau has asked that all members who have received a notification to collect their QSL cards to please do so soonest as his space for the Bureau is very limited!

b. Please note that non-members of the league have no right to make demands, you get your cards out of courtesy and if this privilege is abused it will be stopped!

5. Local news

I have received a request to try and streamline the Sunday morning rounds into either a round table or a net control type system. The way things are currently going is chaotic and some OMs feel left out and either don't report in at all or switch off their radios because they become overseen during conversations.

A suggestion was made if you have an urgent matter to discuss, QSY to another frequency and join the round again once you have finished. Or ask your question but wait for the answer until it is the turn of the other OM.

6. International News

Amateur Radio Newsline carries a report about a D-STAR net on 7.215 MHz

AR Newsline say:

If you have interest in digital audio on the High Frequency bands you might want to tune your D-Star equipped transceiver to 7.215 MHz at noon UTC. This to see if you can take part in a D-Star test net operating from Australia most mornings.

The net control is Brian Farrar, VK2AH, in New South Whales who says the best contacts so far have been from his location to the city of Horsham about 550 miles away. Farrar says that net participants have tried other bands with no much success but 40 meters seems promising.

VK2AK is not only on for the net but also tries 40 meter D-Star at other times of the day as well. While operating he also monitors D-Star Reflector REF003 and does put out alerts when he is looking for D-Star contacts from his QTH down-under. (VK3TOM, D-Star Remailer)

Conclusion

This concludes the Bulletin for Sunday the 6th October 2013. 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: V51RS V51BP V51P V51JF V51GB V51SA

80M

8H00:

2M

8H00: V51RS

ECHO-LINK

8H00:

This is V51NAM handing the frequency back for normal use