



GATEWAY

August 2010

NEXT MEETING Friday 20th August 2010 at 8 pm

WHERE : Cranbourne Girl Guide Hall, Grant St off Sladen St.

Below: Mike Ide VK3KTO wins the club award, a Jaycay voucher, for the WIA's May QRP contest .

Photo Paul Stubbs VK3TGX



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Don't stick your elbow
out so far
it may go home
in another car.

Trains don't wander
all over the map
'cause nobody sits
in the engineer's lap

Don't lose your head
to gain a minute
you need your head
your brains are in it

Drove too long
driver snoozing
what happened next
is not amusing

Brother speeder
let's rehearse
all together
good morning, nurse

Cautious rider
to her reckless dear
let's have less bull
and a little more steer

Speed was high
weather was not
tyres were thin
x marks the spot

The midnight ride
of Paul for beer
led to a warmer
hemisphere

Around the curve
lickety-split
beautiful car
wasn't it?

No matter the price
no matter how new
the best safety device
in the car is you

A guy who drives
a car wide open
is not thinkin'
he's just hopin'

At intersections
look each way
a harp sounds nice
but it's hard to play.



9:40 and they are champing at the bit

HAMFEST 2010

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Photos'n'words Paul Stubbs VK3TGX



GIPPSLAND GATE RADIO & ELECTRONICS CLUB

Club meetings are held on the third Friday of each month at the Cranbourne Girl Guide Hall in Grant Street. Prac nights are held on the first Friday night in the Peter Pavey clubrooms. Both nights commence at 8:00 PM. **Visitors will be made welcome.** Committee meetings are also held in the clubrooms.

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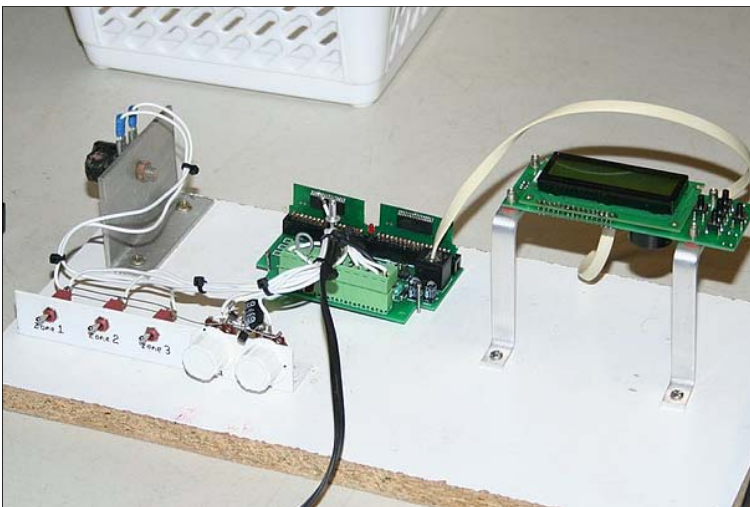
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July Meeting—AVR Project Inspection

lan is thinking of re-running the AVR programming course.



His Speed Controller needed two D/A outputs. The AVR processor he used only had one & the cheapest option was to slave on another AVR micro.

Green Haze Rising?



Or is he looking for what bit hit him on the head? Photo'n'words Paul Stubbs VK3TGX

From the president ... *Chris Chapman VK3QB*

Photo by Paul VK3TGX

Hello everyone,

The Hamfest was a great success. Thank-you to everyone who helped on the day to make it a popular and successful event. Special thanks again to Pat and all the helpers who looked after the kitchen; to Dianne Jackson and Ross & Hal for running the ticket sales booth again; to Brenton for looking after the money; and to all those who assisted with various other tasks on the day. Overall, the day went extremely smoothly and aside from a few small bumps I think we can all be very pleased with the outcome.



This month is a busy one again, with the RD Contest next weekend, and the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend the following week. As many are aware, 8 members are hiking to the Wilsons Promontory Lighthouse to activate it for this weekend of activity. It should be very challenging, but we believe a load of fun. Please have a listen for us on the HF bands from Friday evening (20th August) through until very late on the Saturday. We'll be packing up early on the Sunday morning for the 18km hike back to the Tidal River carpark.

That's about it from me for this month.

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The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much Pi...

I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but he turned out to be an optical Aleutian....

She was only a whisky maker, but he loved her still....

A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption....

The butcher backed into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his work....

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery....

Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie....

A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it....

Atheism is a non-prophet organization....

From the president ... *Chris Chapman VK3QB*

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Brenton VK3CBV and I have a very busy time, as the last week of August we are off to Vanuatu (YJ0) for a DX-pedition with two other amateurs. Luke VK3HJ and Allan VK2CA will join us for 7 days and 6 nights of operating YJ0VK chasing DX and handing a new one to many amateurs we hope. For more information please visit our site at <http://yj0vk.vkham.com>

It will be a bit quiet at the general meeting this month as 8 of us will be at Wilsons Prom – but I am sure Steve and Bruno will hold the fort whilst we are gone! As always, check the website for the latest news and up-to-date information.

73, es hope to hear you from Wilsons Prom, or from YJ0VK,

Chris VK3QB

HAMFEST 2010 cont'd



The Ministering Angels!



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Second prize draw for a Jaycar Powertech power supply. Thank's to Jaycar Electronics for this one.

[Words and photos by Paul Stubbs VK3TGX]

SOME OF THE GOODIES



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MORE GOODIES

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The ALARA Crew





MORE GOODIES



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Event Queue

Upcoming Events

Thu Aug 12th 8:00pm	Morsecodeians	Club Shack
Fri Aug 20th 8:00pm	General Meeting	Guide Hall
Sat Aug 21st	ILLW at Wilsons Prom	Wilsons Prom Lighthouse
Tue Aug 24th 7:30pm	Committee Meeting	Club Shack
Fri Sep 3rd 8:00pm	Prac Night	Club Shack
Fri Sep 17th 8:00pm	General Meeting	Guide Hall
Sat Sep 25th 6:30pm	Pub Night	Kelly's Hotel Cranbourne
Mon Sep 27th 7:30pm	Committee Meeting	Club Shack
Sat Nov 27th 6:30pm	Pub Night	TBA
Sat Dec 11th	Christmas breakup	TBA

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES JULY2010 *cont'd from opposite*

some 40' aluminium flagpoles that were available.

ILLW – Brenton VK3CBV reported on the recent planning meeting which discussed the gear and food to take. There is a practice walk next Sunday week at the site, weather independent.

New business :

QRP contest - Mike VK3KTO presented with a winners certificate by Chris VK3QB.

Pub Night – Nev VK3ADG advised the next Pub Night will be at Kelly's in Cranbourne on 25th September and asked for those interested. 16 hands went up.

Cup weekend – Chris suggested the members think about an away trip - No interest shown. Reg VK3UK asked about interest in a sweep – also no interest shown.

RD contest – Albert VK3BQO asked about taking part in the upcoming RD contest. Some members showed interest. Albert asked that interested members email him.

AVR course – Ian VK3BUF wanted to gauge interest in a an AVR course. He will plan for one later in the year if there is enough interest.

Beacons - Bruno asked about members with beacon RX gear. No members present had RX equipment for those frequencies.

ID Cards – Ian VK3BUF asked about reintroducing ID cards..

Meeting closed : 8:43 pm

Next Committee Meeting: Monday 26th July **Next Prac Night:** Friday 6th August **Next General Meeting:** August 20

**MR.
SECRETARY**
Needs more
bling in his
fingers.



Photo'n'words
Paul Stubbs
VK3TGX

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 2010**Date** : 16 July 2010**Start time** : 8:06 pm.**Location** : Guide Hall.**Chairperson** : Chris VK3QB**Minute Taker** : Steve VK3EGD**Guest Speaker**: nil - VK100WIA summary instead.**Present** : Attendance sheet**Visitors and guests** :**Apologies** : Noel VK3CJJ, Henry VK3FHTV, Maree VK3FSAT, Ron VK3EXJ, Barrie VK3NJB, Phil VK3YB, Geoff VK3HGG**Correspondence received** : listed and tabled – Pat VK3OZ requested a copy of the Waitakere Sprint email.**Correspondence sent** : listed and tabled

MR TREASURER

Treasurer's report :**Read** : Brenton VK3CBV **Moved** : AlbertVK3BQO **Seconded** : Russ VK3MWR **Carried**.**Income** : \$585.00 **Expenditure** : \$957.00 **Bal-****ance** : \$-372.20 **Total** : \$7,318.13**New Call signs** : nil**Previous Minutes** :**Read** : as per magazine **Moved** : SteveVK3EGD **Seconded** : Michael VK3GHM **Approved**.**Business arising from the previous minutes** :*VK100WIA* – A summary will be presented at the end of the meeting.*RDD* – Albert VK3BQO gave an overview of the controller project status.*Hamfest* – Chris VK3QB advised that it is ready to go, and asked for extra volunteers to arrive at 7:30am. Five put their hands up. Reg VK3UK volunteered will sell extra tickets. More volunteers required. Chris asked for drinks sellers. Coffee now \$1 for a bottomless cup. Pat VK3OZ advised that she needs thermometer for fridge. Bruno VK3BFT said he would bring one. Steve VK3EGD volunteered to do signs for the door prizes.*Mid Year Dinner* – Bruno VK3BFT reported that it went very well, and was well attended, with good costumes worn by many, and was enjoyed by all - Thanks were conveyed to Bruno by acclamation.*Working bee* – Bruno VK3BFT reported the dipole was fixed by reconnecting the elements to the balun, the door lock was installed on the shack back door, the key safe was installed, the roof was cleared and cleaned, the rotator was repaired by packing out a stripped clamp thread and re-aligned by Doug VK3KMN. A BBQ was enjoyed by those who attended.*Flagpoles* – Reg VK3UK advised that he knew of*cont'd opposite*