



GATEWAY

May 2011

NEXT MEETING: Friday May 20 at 8 pm

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

SPEAKER : Bruno Tonizzo

TOPIC : Amateur Station Self-Assessment.



THE NEW TEAM

Russ VK3MWR, Graeme VK3BXG, Paul VK3TGX, Ian VK3BUF, Michael VK3GHM
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One day a florist went to a barber for a haircut. After the cut, he went to pay but the barber said,

'Keep your money I'm doing community service this week.'

The florist was really chuffed and left the shop.

When the barber opened the shop next morning, there was a 'thank you' card and a bunch of flowers on his doorstep.

Later, a policeman comes in for a haircut and when he went to pay, the barber stated

'I can't accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.'

The policeman was most impressed and left the shop.

Next morning when the barber opened up, there was a 'thank you' card and a box of donuts waiting for him at his door.

Then a Member of Parliament came in for a haircut.

When he went to pay, the barber said 'I can't accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.'

The MP was very happy and left the shop.

Next morning, when the barber went to open up, there was a bunch of MPs lined up.....all waiting for a free haircut.

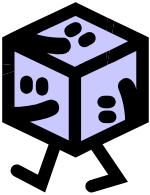
THE WALKERVILLE CAMPERS Words'n'pics Paul VK3TGX



Our happy crew & one visitor

MID YEAR DINNER

SATURDAY 25TH JUNE

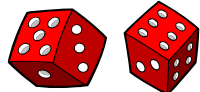


This years midyear dinner is coming up soon. The meal will be catered by Reddy Roast, the same as last year. If you want to come and enjoy a good square meal with good friends and a few laughs, then you must leave a \$5.00 per head deposit with the treasurer, at the May meeting. The full cost will probably be \$15.00 per head, payable on the night. You will need to bring your own drinks and glasses.

Last year we all had a lot of fun with a TV star dress up. This year we are going with a SQUARE theme. Use your imaginations and try something creative. Square hat, square jewellery, square tipped shoes, or maybe just a checked shirt. You never know, there may even be a pair of checked pants in the bottom of your wardrobe.

There will be a square prize for the squarest outfit.

BE THERE AND BE SQUARE.



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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Full Member \$37.00, Pensioner Member \$22.00

Junior Member \$22.00, Extra Family Member \$17.00

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*Words n' pics by
Paul
Stubbs VK3TGX*

Thanks Megan!

WALKERVILLE CAMPING

Aaahhh!!!



From the president ... *Paul Stubbs VK3TGX cont'd from opposite*
at Frankston – about 2 hours away.

It was a nice and peaceful weekend with my thermometer saying we almost hit 28 degrees. It would have been great if a few more members came. Someone said “I cannot go — the royal wedding!!!” – well I watched it on digital TV, (and more importantly, the new Dr Who series) so that was no excuse!

Maybe we should take the club 's projector and have an open air cinema on the next trip.

Megan shouted for some fire wood, so we all sat around the camp fire – aaah this is the life. HF wasn' t bad either, with Germany coming in strong on 20M *Paul VK3TGX .*

They loved chewing on anything, coax cable, antennas, your lunch....



From the president ... *Paul Stubbs VK3TGX*

Welcome to a new era of GGREC, albeit one without an “official” president.

or MEIN PRESIDENTE in Susan’s words.

The door is not closed – you can still stand up and nominate yourself, then all that’s needed is the vote of club members – so don’t be shy.

(Come on ladies, stand up and be counted!)

We currently have a secretary, treasurer (Ian to take the position shortly) and three committee members, of which I am but one.

As a result, and as discussed at the AGM we will be backing off somewhat with our meetings, originally it was thought of just having 6 meetings and 6 magazines a year. However we will be all there as usual on the normal monthly meeting dates — it’s just that the formal part will be cut back.

Now for the good news this month, and that would be the weekend trip to Walkerville, just 151Km from my QTH ...

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GGREC HAMFEST 2010

GGREC Calendar

Event Queue

Upcoming Events

Tue May 10th	7:30pm	Microprocessor Training	Guide Hall
Tue May 17th	7:30pm	Microprocessor Training	Guide Hall
Fri May 20th	8:00pm	Presentation Night	Guide Hall
Fri Jun 3rd	8:00pm	Prac Night	Club Rooms
Fri Jun 17th	8:00pm	General Meeting	Guide Hall
Sat Jun 25th		Mid Year Dinner	Guide Hall
Mon Jun 27th	7:30pm	Committee Meeting	Club Rooms
Sat Jul 16th	10:00am	GGREC Hamfest	Cranbourne Public Hall
Sat Aug 13th		RD Contest	Club Rooms
Sat Aug 20th		ILLW	

HAMFEST 2011

The 2011 GGREC Hamfest is fast approaching.

Amateur Radio magazine advert. and Hamfest insert have been written and submitted to Amateur Radio. Advertising to be handed out at the Moorabbin hamfest has been printed and passed on to Reg VK3UK.

This month we need to organize the Food Selling permit and paperwork with the Casey Council and start having some co-ordination meetings.

Please come along to these meetings as we don 't want any surprises on the day. I will try and incorporate them into the General /Presentation Meetings or prac nights.

Hamfests are a fun day for all Club members. They are an opportunity to show what we as a Club can do for the Amateur fraternity by providing a well-run and organized event.

There is hard work to be done on the day, but if you, the members, come along and help, the hard work can be shared around to lighten the load on the more intense areas such as the kitchen etc.

We all know what needs to be done and I know the 2011 Hamfest will be a success as in previous years.

Bruno Tonizzo

VK3BFT

YL MEET DETAILS EMERGE

From Tina Clogg, Organiser and ALARA president

We now have the final quote for the Adelaide portion of the YL International 2012 Meet. The total is \$730 (\$50 registration and \$680 for the balance) for the meet and then your accommodation on top of that. Some YLs have been asking for more information about the motels. They are all about the same standard except the Grand which is 5-star. The Marina Comfort Inn is the closest to restaurants and other facilities at Glenelg and has a cafe on site. All tours will pick up from the 4 places organized by us and transfers for the conference and dinners have also been organized. Most motels etc charge for internet connections in Australia. They all have ensuite bathrooms and coffee and tea making facilities and a refrigerator.

Registration fees can be paid any time with deposit of \$300 per person due by 30 September. The Ghan deposit of \$500 is due when you book or when we receive the final quote. I have a registration form, payment instructions and itinerary in pdf format. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

For those who are on FaceBook I have created a FaceBook identity just for keeping in touch. I am keeping the web page up to date and it is at <http://www.ylinternational2012.com> We now have 30 people registered and another 46 who have expressed interest in attending. I look forward to receiving your registration and seeing you in 2012.

Cost Summary

Registration fee (non-refundable) \$50

Main Meet \$680

Motel Accommodation with breakfast \$560pp

NB Quoted Price Twin Share - Can vary depending on your choice

Adelaide Meet Only \$1290

Optional 9 day Ghan Tour \$5000

(The agents' estimate with 10% inflation allowance - final prices about June)

Total for 15 day Meet and Tour \$6290





Above : Part of the lime kilns at Walkerville.

Words'n'pics Paul VK3TGX

Below : Megan 's 'buddie pole' has become a 'birdie pole'.



Believe it or not!

To make half a kilo of honey, bees must collect nectar from over 2 million individual flowers.

Heroin is the brand name of morphine once marketed by 'Bayer'.

Tourists visiting Iceland should know that tipping at a restaurant is considered an insult!

People in nudist colonies play volleyball more than any other sport.

Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952, but he declined.

Astronauts can't belch - there is no gravity to separate liquid from gas in their stomachs.

Ancient Roman, Chinese and German societies often used urine as mouthwash.

The Mona Lisa has no eyebrows. In the Renaissance era, it was the fashion to shave them off!

Because of the speed at which Earth moves around the Sun, it is impossible for a solar eclipse to last more than 7 minutes and 58 seconds.

The night of January 20 is "Saint Agnes's Eve", which is regarded as a time when a young woman dreams of her future husband.

Google is actually the common name for a number with a million zeros.

It takes glass one million years to decompose.



The New Treasurer at Walkerville: Luxury Luxury!! Words'n'pics Paul VK3TGX



Walkerville Camping

Annual General Meeting Minutes

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AVR Course – 3 nights to go. Attendance has been very good and all are enjoying the course.

Museum Weekend cancelled – No Club support. Remove from calendar.

Library display – postponed until new library is built. Remove from calendar.

Moorabbin radio Club 2m interference Filter. – Albert reported that there were two different articles describing how to minimise interference on the 2m band.

Albert to ask Moorabbin Club for permission to re-print articles.

WIA VK100 cards have been completed and are ready to go to the QSL bureau.

Mid-Year Dinner at the Guide Hall – Dianne to organise the 2011 event and Bruno will assist as needed. Need a theme??

New Business:

Membership fees are now due.

The committee determined that the fees remain the same for the next Club financial year. It was noted that fees may need to be reviewed and increased next year.

Graham Brown advised that ACMA will increase Amateur Licence fees to \$66.00 from the 4th April 2011. See ACMA website.

Dianne reported that the Walkerville long weekend away is progressing well 2 members showing an interest.

Chris Chapman thanked the committee for all the achievements of the last 12 months and declared all committee positions vacant.

Meeting Closed at around 8:29 PM. May Guest Speaker: Bruno Tonizzo – Amateur Station Self-Assessment.

Next Committee Meeting: to be advised (Due to Easter) **Next Prac Night:** Friday 6th May 2011, **Next General Meeting:** to be advised.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 2011

Date: 15 April 2011

Start time: 08:00 PM.

Location: Guide Hall Cranbourne.

Chairperson: Chris Chapman VK3QB

Minute Taker: Bruno Tonizzo VK3BFT
(standing in for Steve VK3EGD)

Present: See Attendance Sheet

Visitors and Guests: Colin Baker

Apologies: Ron VK3EXJ & Judy Robertson,
Steve VK3EGD & Maria Harding, Susan
VK3UMM & Grahame Coleman VK3XK, Henry VK3FHTV and
Maree Vandeligt VK3FSAT, Tim Morgan VK3FTDM

Correspondence Received:

To be reported at the next meeting.

Correspondence Sent:

To be reported at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report: as tabled. **Read by:** Brenton Vowles
VK3CBV **Moved By:** Brenton Vowles VK3CBV, **Seconded By:**
Russ White VK3MWR Carried.

Income: \$247 **Expenditure:** \$2238 **Balance:** \$4426.33

New Call signs – nil

Previous Minutes: As printed in Gateway.

Moved By: Chris Chapman VK3QB, **Seconded By:** Russ White
VK3MWR Carried.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

The *Club rotator controller* may need looking at again.

Club *6m Repeater* VK3RDD is currently off the air and will be eventually replaced with a new repeater controller, power amp, receiver and transmitter.

CTCSS will be used to profile interference.

Cavity Filter will be sent off to manufacturer to calibrate.

Hamfest – progressing well. Ian Jackson to purchase meat for the BBQ again. Dianne Jackson happy to manage the ticket box. Pat will manage the kitchen and Bruno to contact Henry and Maree to see if they are coming.



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