## ZS6SSC BULLETIN 12-02-2017

08H30 – 08H45 Call ins on 145.7875 and HF frequency will be announced as soon as we receive feedback from ICASA and SARL

08H45 – Good morning, this is the Bulletin for ZS6SSC, Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club, today presented by

This bulletin will be transmitted every second Sunday of the month on the following frequencies:

## 145.7875 MHz Fm

<u>History</u> – Being one of the oldest clubs in South Africa, we would like to share the history of ZS6SSC with you over a period of short chapters.....

## Activities & Projects

There has been talk in the past of the following, but now we are getting to do them:

**<u>70cm Repeater</u>**: We are excited to announce that we are in the process of installing a 70cm repeater on Platberg near Walkerville. The relevant frequency will be communicated once all is in place and installed. Thank you to Ronald ZS6RVC for his assistance. The application has been sent to ICASA and we are awaiting their feedback. Plans for linking the 70cm repeater network up to Wolkberg is also in the pipeline.

<u>6m Repeater</u>: We are also in the process of compiling a 6m/70cm repeater on an experimental basis. We want to promote more activity on the 6m band. Plenty Radio Amateurs have this band on their transceivers, but very few use it. This will be on vertical polarisation. More news as the project advances in future bulletins. Should you have anything to assist or donate, please contact us.

**Digital Modes:** We want to call on all listeners/members/fundies etc that are able to assist with the vast amount of digital modes available to come and teach those of us not so clued up on these new exciting ways of communication. With the HF bands and communication as in the current state and voice contacts being very difficult, the digital modes are working very well. Just to mention a few of these modes: JT65, MSK144, FSK441, PSK31, RTTY – still alive and active, QRA64, WSPR. These modes are used from 160m to 70cm. Digital modes can be used on FM and SSB and high power is not needed at all.

**<u>ZS6SSC Website</u>**: David ZR6DLG is busy updating our website, please assist with contributions, assistance and information to make this a success and also making his task easier. The original website <u>www.zs6ssc.co.za</u> is still available and operating.

<u>Members</u>: As a result of lost records etc etc, we would like to encourage all previous and new members to make contact with Willie Wright, email: <u>zs6wc@vodamail.co.za</u> for updating on membership of ZS6SSC. May we ask that all new applications be filled-in and emailed. Please download an application form from ZS6SSC website.

We call on all to participate in our venture to revive ZS6SSC to the benefit of those involved. Your value adding contributions will be appreciated.

**Thank you** for tuning in on our bulletin. Should you have any requests or contribution to make for our next bulletin, kindly contact Willie ZS6WC, David ZR6DLG or Christo ZR6AUI. We will take any call ins again.

Call ins on 145.7875