

ZS6SSC BULLETIN 14 MAY 2017

Good morning, this is the Monthly Bulletin for ZS6SSC, Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club, today - 14 May 2017, presented by ZR6AUI – Christo Greyling and compiled by ZS6WC – Willie Wright

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Unfortunately we have no HF relay today, more information in the bulletin.

In the news today:

- ❖ ZS6SSC 70cm Fm repeater located at Platberg up and running;
- ❖ Request for reports on coverage of ZS6SSC 70cm Fm repeater;
- ❖ Continued work on six meter repeater antenna system;
- ❖ Website up and running;
- ❖ No HF relay;
- ❖ Surplus electronic equipment listed on our swap shop section of the website;
- ❖ Low bands activity 160m, 80m and 40m;
- ❖ Low band antenna suggestions, a list of low band antennas to be compiled and listed on the website;
- ❖ Low band conditions experienced during the past weeks;
- ❖ Calls-in on 2m and 70cm.

- ❖ ZS6SSC 70cm Fm repeater located at Platberg up and running
 - We are pleased to announce that after a short trial period and a swap out of repeaters the Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club 70cm FM repeater is up and running. An 88.5Hz tone is required to activate the repeater. The repeater is located on Platberg which offers excellent coverage.

- ❖ Request for reports on coverage of zs6ssc repeater
 - Please give us reports regarding coverage, reports to zs6wc@vodamail.co.za

- ❖ Continued work on six meter repeater antenna system
 - Work continues on the 6m - 70cm repeater project at the workshop of ZS6WC. Focusing on the six meter antenna, a Gamma matched vertical design has been chosen for this antenna application. The advantage being DC grounded offers some static protection.

- ❖ Website up and running
 - The Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club website is up and running, please visit the site at www.zs6ssc.co.za. Again we request that if you have any suggestions or requests about the website to contact us with your ideas or requirements.

- ❖ Surplus electronic equipment listed on our swap shop section of the website.
 - Check out some of the surplus equipment and usable parts listed on the swap shop. Please feel free to add any items you have for swap via the web-page. Remember to add pictures.

- ❖ No Hf relay
 - There will be no Hf relay until we have the patch system working correctly and the response from the SARL regarding the ALREADY allocated frequency.

- ❖ Low band activity 160m, 80m and 40m
 - David will be posting some information on low band dx-ing on the website – please keep an eye open for when the information is posted on the website.
 - Low band dx-ing is a challenge on its own, regarding antennas and small property but there are a lot of solutions to this perceived problem.

- ❖ Low band conditions experienced during the past weeks
 - During the past few weeks there have been openings on the 80m band every morning as well as some openings on top band 160m about an hour to half an hour before sunrise.
 - So get out of bed at 04H30 and enjoy some dx

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If you require any information regarding the Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club, please send an email to:

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This brings our bulletin to an end we hope you enjoyed good reception and thank you for listening

❖ Calls-in on 2m and 70cm

2m call-in now please

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70cm call-in now handled by David ZR6DLG

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This brings an end to the post bulletin net, thank you for joining us

Good bye