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Southern Suburbs of Johannesburg Amateur Radio Club

ZS6SSC BULLETIN 7 JULY 2018

Good morning, this is the Monthly Bulletin for ZS6SSC the Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club, today 7 JULY 2018, presented by ZS6WC Willie Wright, compiled and written by ZS6WC – Willie Wright

This bulletin is transmitted on 439.125 MHz with a 88.5 tone, please be aware that a time out timer is still active

There is also a relay on 145.7875 MHz, with the kind permission of ZS6HVB, The Highveld Club.

In the news today:

1. Repeater news
2. The Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club meeting
3. ZS6SSC Call sign, QRZ.com & eQSL.net
4. Complaints reported to the secretary regarding racist remarks made on our host repeater.
5. Sale of the clubs assets and the use of the proceeds
6. Website
7. VHF and above activity
8. HF activities

1.

The zs6ssc repeater lost most of its output power and was taken out of commission by Ronald and David ZS6RVC and ZR6DLG on the weekend of 28/30 June.

The initial diagnosis was and now is a capacitor in the final transistor circuit. The repeater was basically transmitting on its driver circuit.

David saved the day by decommissioning the original ZS6SSC repeater at his house which is doing a very good job indeed.

This is a temporary installation and the main repeater will be decommissioned at the Wolkberg site

2. The Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club meeting 3 June 2018.

The minutes of the meeting have been edited, typed up, signed off by the secretary and are ready for posting on the web site.

3. ZS6SSC call sign, QRZ.com & eQSL.net

Club members are more than welcome to use the ZS6SSC call sign to promote the Club on various bands and modes, Remember the T&Cs

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But the hf and vhf and higher spectrum has not been very active I.

4. Complaints to secretary.

Once again the subject racist and uncalled for nonsensical remarks made on repeaters comes to the for front again and has been reported to the secretary .Gentlemen and ladies please think about what you are about to say in conversation especially when it comes to politics and race. The last complainant has been advised to refer the incident to ICASA and the SARL as explained by the secretary,

This most recent , Incident did not occur on the Southern Suburbs of Johannesburg amateur radio club repeater, but instead on our host repeater, who have also been informed of this incident.

ICASA and the SARL have a good working relationship which is beneficial to all licenced amateur operators - do not be the persons who destroys this relationship, with remarks regarding past and present politicians.

5. Projects/upgrade of repeater

Christo ZR6AUI put some zs6ssc stock racking up for sale on the SARL web site

The funds raised by this sale of the racking will be very welcome towards funding the repairs of the repeater as well as making a contribution towards the electricity used by us at the repeater site.

The electricity supply is a prepaid account, it was decided to contribute towards our usage.

David will consult with Ronald

Digital Interface

David ZR6DLG Is still busy investigating the possibility of producing a prototype interface box with a standard ICOM din plug which will enable fellow amateurs to connect their radios to their PC's to operate on the Digital modes of choice.

6. Web site

The web site is currently up to date and working well

An after inventory of club assets has to be compiled as soon as possible.

It might be suggested that this inventory will be put up on the web site.

Thank you David

7. VHF and above,

I have not been informed any new events and happenings on VHF and above. I would imagine that experimentation on antennas would make the bands busy with amateurs testing the performance of their newly constructed antenna.

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8 HF activities

Early morning low band contacts are still possible but not as frequent as a month or so ago.

Night time DX on twenty and 15 are almost impossible.

In order to reduce the transmitting load on the stand by Uhf repeater the bulletin has been shortened.

You have been listening to the Southern Suburbs of Johannesburg Amateur Radio Club, transmitted on the second Sunday of each month. This bulletin is also available for download on our website.

If you require any information regarding the Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club or if there is any news or content you would like to be included in the next bulletin please send this to:

The Secretary: zs6wc@vodamail.co.za

Also visit our website for membership application form and Club information www.zs6ssc.co.za

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

7. Call-in on 2m and 70cm

2m Call-ins

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70cm Call-ins

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

We release these frequencies now for general use

Good bye

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