

ZS6SSC BULLETIN 9 JULY 2017

Good morning, this is the Monthly Bulletin for ZS6SSC the Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club, today – 9 July 2017, presented by ZR6AUI – Christo Greyling and compiled by ZS6WC – Willie Wright

This bulletin is transmitted on 145.7875 MHz, with the kind permission of ZS6HVB, The Highveld Club. There is also a relay on 439.125 MHz with a 88.5 tone, Please be aware that a time out timer is active, HF relays to start soon on 80m on 3,7875 MHz LSB

In the news today:

1. RELAY STATIONS FOR ZS6SSC,
2. HF HAPPENINGS: LOCAL, DX AND SWL NEWS (Short Wave Listening)
3. NO RESPONSE TO HAMNET TOPIC IN LAST FEW BULLETINS.
4. 70 CM REPEATER TIME OUT, WHY AND HOW LONG
5. FOUR STACK ANTENNA FOR ZS6SSC CROSSBAND REPEATER PROJECT
6. ZS6SSC MEMBERSHIP DRIVE.
7. ZS6BFL HONOURARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

1. RELAY STATIONS FOR ZS6SSC,
Relaying of the ZS6SSC bulletin on HF frequencies has been put on the back burner up until band conditions improve, ZS6WC Willie has a patch box that is set up and tested and ready to put into use but the HF bands have been very uncooperative;
2. HF HAPPENINGS: LOCAL, DX AND SWL NEWS (Short Wave Listening)
Over the past few weeks and even months HF propagation has been from poor to below average, some DX has been worked on 20m in the afternoons and early evenings, reports from ZS6MX regarding 20m have been received, with signals being from ok to good and the band closing suddenly during a QSO, The lower bands have also been in the “not so good category”
Short wave broadcast stations have been heard on the following frequencies:
AM 6139, 5830, 8580 KHz as well as,
17.670 MHz Radio Rumania
15.250 MHz China
21.570 MHz Bucarest
9.650 MHz RSG SW service
3. NO RESPONSE TO HAMNET TOPIC IN LAST FEW BULLETINS.
A few weeks ago we mentioned Hamnet and the communications they provide in emergency situations, The response we have received has been poor, there seems to be a definite lack of interest in our area. What we did receive was negative.
4. 70 CM REPEATER TIME OUT, WHY AND HOW LONG
The ZS6SSC repeater has a time out timer and we were asked why?
Simply put to protect the repeater transmitter from long continuous keying, be it accidental or malicious. We also request people who have 70 cm to please use the repeater and enjoy using it.
5. FOUR STACK ANTENNA FOR ZS6SSC CROSSBAND REPEATER PROJECT
Lee ZS6ARG has kindly offered ZS6SSC a 2m repeater antenna for use in our repeater linking projects. ZS6SSC is very grateful for this kind offer of assistance.
Willie ZS6WC has yet to collect the antenna from Lee

6. ZS6SSC MEMBERSHIP DRIVE.

ZS6SSC, the Southern Suburbs Radio Club will be embarking on a club membership drive.

Are you technically inclined?

Do you enjoy digital communications?

Do you enjoy VHF and above DX and experimentation?

Do you enjoy antenna construction and experimentation?

Are you a short wave listener and would like to start an interest group?

Or do you just enjoy the hobby and want to be associated with like minded people,

Please contact the secretary zs6wc@vodamail.co.za

7. ZS6BFL HONOURARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

As a token of appreciation, the Southern Suburbs Radio Club, has bestowed life membership on Berridge Emmett, ZS6BFL for the support given to the Southern Suburbs Radio Club over the past years.

Berridge kept the club licence valid for quite a few years while the club was not active, and it became a purely social club affiliated to the Highveld Club ZS6HVB.

Berridge kept books and meeting registers that date back to the inaugural meeting of the club.

Had Berridge not done this we would have lost the call sign as well as the history of our club.

Thank you to Mr Berridge Emmett ZS6BFL, please accept our token of appreciation.

This brings to our bulletin to an end;

We hope you enjoyed good reception and thank you for listening.

Please join us for the post bulletin net on 2m and 70cm.

Please visit our web site for membership application forms or further club information.

Call ins on 2m and 70cm

2m call now

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...ZS6JCL, ZS6WC, ZS6ADN, ZS6REX, ZS6RF,.....

70cm call now

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...ZS6WC, ZSRF, ZS6KED.....

This brings an end to the post bulletin net

Thank you for joining us

Good bye