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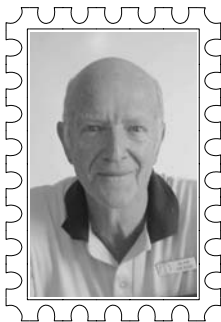
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President's Report

In an endeavour to practice what I preach, I've spent the last six weeks carefully cataloguing and filing the various bits and pieces that comprise my "shack" as I have been unpacking after our recent house move. It's a mammoth task, believe me – and I'm only part way through! But, in the end, I think life will be a bit easier for all. Not only will I be able to actually *find* what I'm looking, but, come my inevitable end, others may be able to do likewise with a minimum of time and effort.



On a somewhat different note, I have been concerned recently over the difficulty various community organisations have in getting people to "volunteer" to perform necessary tasks. This applies to most organisations with which I have some association, including, to a lesser extent, our own Club. There seems to be a mindset that asks "What's in it for me?" before there is any move to take up a vacant position. Obviously, in organisations like ours, there is no remuneration offered and, given the amount of time and effort that is often needed, the reluctance to be involved is perhaps understandable, if not excusable. But why has it got to revolve around "me" all the time, as though I was the most important object on earth? (I

thought that only applied to users of hair care products!) I don't say this as a criticism but merely an observation.

Perhaps a simple example of this is the pending involvement of our Club with the SES. A significant number of our members have now applied to become volunteers with our local SES division, members who, previously, had probably never considered taking such a step. Now, because of an agreed win/win situation, it becomes an obvious and desirable course of action to take. Both organisations get something out of the proposed association. Don't misunderstand me, I'm all for the arrangement and one of the intending volunteers, but it does serve to illustrate my earlier observation that "volunteers" often front up only if there is some perceived personal advantage or kudos to be gained.

I'm generalising I know, and there are some great exceptions – dedicated volunteers who give and give and keep on

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Down The Coax

All Meetings at Port City Bowling Club Function Room

Friday Night Get-togethers
September 12th & 26th
7.00 pm

October Monthly Meeting
Saturday October 4th 2008
2.00pm

Car Rally - Kendall Show Ground
Sunday October 5th 2008

Friday Night Get-togethers
October 10th & 24th 2008
7.00pm

JOTA — 18th-19th Oct. 2008

Beechwood Billy Cart Classic
Sunday 9.30am-11.30am
October 26th 2008

November Monthly Meeting
Saturday 1st November 2008
2.00pm

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*Reflects ALL changes notified up to
31st August 2008*

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Net Controllers' Roster

Nets on Voice Repeater VK2RPM 146.700 MHz

Sundays
(0830 Local)

Wednesdays
(1930 Local)

September 2008

VK2OA	Sep-07	VK2EI	Sep-03
VK2VIV	Sep-14	VK2AYD	Sep-10
VK2TT	Sep-21	VK2ZCM	Sep-17
VK2OA	Sep-28	VK2ATM	Sep-24

October 2008

VK2VIV	Oct-05	VK2ZHE	Oct-01
VK2TT	Oct-12	VK2EI	Oct-08
VK2OA	Oct-19	VK2AYD	Oct-15
VK2VIV	Oct-26	VK2ZCM	Oct-22
		VK2ATM	Oct-29

November 2008

VK2TT	Nov-02	VK2ATM	Nov-05
VK2OA	Nov-09	VK2ZHE	Nov-12
VK2VIV	Nov-16	VK2EI	Nov-19
VK2TT	Nov-23	VK2AYD	Nov-26
VK2OA	Nov-30		

December 2008

VK2VIV	Dec-07	VK2ZCM	Dec-03
VK2TT	Dec-14	VK2ATM	Dec-10
VK2OA	Dec-21	VK2ZHE	Dec-17
VK2VIV	Dec-28	VK2EI	Dec-24
		VK2AYD	Dec-31

January 2009

VK2TT	Jan-04	VK2AYD	Jan-07
VK2OA	Jan-11	VK2ZCM	Jan-14
VK2VIV	Jan-18	VK2ATM	Jan-21
VK2TT	Jan-25	VK2ZHE	Jan-28

February 2009

VK2OA	Feb-01	VK2EI	Feb-04
VK2VIV	Feb-08	VK2ZCM	Feb-11
VK2TT	Feb-15	VK2ATM	Feb-18
VK2OA	Feb-22	VK2ZHE	Feb-25

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giving without thought of reward, or even
thanks. But wouldn't life be different if
their mindset was the norm and not the ex-
ception!

Alan Nutt VK2GD

El Presidenté

ORARC Joins SES

(By Jim, VK2VIV, Secretary)

Well, after a lot of meetings and organizing, we are well on the way to having a secured building with all amenities to house the club.

As I report, we have had fifteen (15) ORARC members sign up with the local SES. This will give us the right to use the building and amenities to conduct our club meetings.

Our commitment to the SES will be as Radio Operators and Operation Centre personnel when needed. The SES Controller appreciates our expertise in this field and is as excited as we are in the joining of our organizations.

After the last few members to sign up have received their clearance, which should happen by the end of August, we will be attending our induction session. This is set down for Saturday 13th September at 1pm at the SES building. We can then proceed with the necessary training on the operations side of the organization. So, when our 3 months probation is up, we can be called upon, if needed, to assist.

It is anticipated that the new building will be completed and ready to move in by the New Year. As the building progresses we will join the SES for site inspections. This will give us the opportunity to discuss any antenna requirements.

A "spin-off" from our joining up with the SES is that any of our field exercises such as the RD contest, Lighthouse Weekend and Beechwood Billy Cart Derby, will be covered by the SES insurance, thus saving us having this overhead. We will need to discuss further the need to insure our assets, but even if they are not completely covered by the SES policy, ours should be at least be reduced as they will be covered whilst stored on the premises.

Club Annual Field Days may even be held on our joint site, thus saving us the cost of hiring a hall.

There will be no charge for the use of the SES building as we will be members. We have been paying a yearly fee by way of a donation, so here is another saving for the club.

Finally some FAQ's:

1. Do we have to wear the orange overalls ? NO! We will be issued with tee-shirts, but overalls only if needed or we volunteer for a field exercise

2. How often are we expected to attend the SES. Initially we will need to attend a couple of Wednesday nights a month for training, then maybe one or two Wednesday nights a month. Whilst not all of our

members will actively participate on a regular basis, there will be some training exercises involving us throughout the year and other members can then assist.

Until the new SES building is ready for occupation, we will still meet at the Port City Bowling Club.

One final note: The Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club Inc., still remains a separate identity and will remain affiliated with the WIA.

For Sale:

Tower sections, triangular 5.8 metres long, 538mm across triangle.

Hot dipped galvanised, very solid construction, climbing ladder on one side, professionally made in WA.

Sections can be bolted together, bolts will be supplied, 3 sections should be self supporting, and if needed guying hardware is available.

Some sections have never been used.

Mounting base is not supplied, that will have to be fabricated.

Price is \$210 each section to ORARC and MNCARG members only.

Guying hardware very negotiable.

Please ring John VK2KCE

Mob: 0417 946 220



**Car Rally — Kendall Showground
Sunday 5th October**

**Volunteers are required for
mobile positions as usual.
We will need 9 portable/mobile
operators and their equipment.**

**Please contact either Bruce,
VK2HOT or John, VK2KCE if
you can help.**

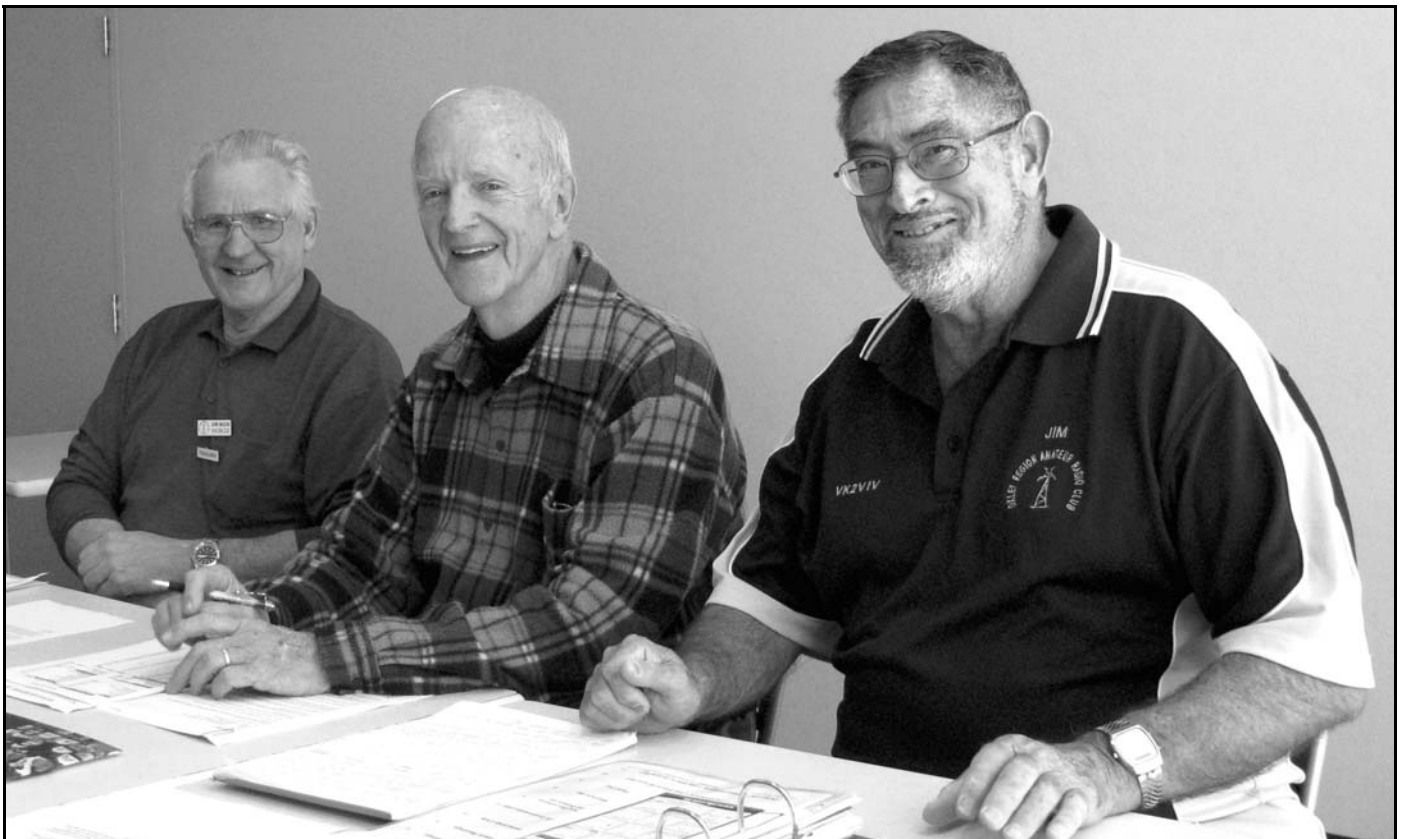
2008 AGM Report

ORARC's AGM for the year 2008-2009, held on Saturday August 2nd, enjoyed a good attendance by the membership (20 present with 10 apologies) at the Port City Bowling Club Function Room.

There were no changes to the existing structure of the office bearers. The Returning Officer's role was simplified because of a motion from the floor to re-elect all existing office bearers to continue in their roles for the ensuing year. All office bearers accepted nomination for re-election, and there were no additional nominations. All were re-elected, and the list below shows the office bearers for 2008-2009. Congratulations to all on their re-election.

President	Alan Nutt.	VK2GD
Vice President	Henry Lundell	VK2ZHE
Secretary	Jim Neil	VK2VIV
Treasurer	John McLean	VK2KCE
Committee Member 1	Bill Sinclair	VK2ZCV
Committee Member 2	Bill Brooke	VK2ZCW
Committee Member 3	Craig Martin	VK2ZCM
Public Officer	Roy Burges	VK2YOR
Auditor	V. Hume	
Repeater Chairman	Bill Brooke	VK2ZCW
Oxtales Editors	Trevor Thatcher	VK2TT
	John Hanson	VK2AYQ
VK2BOR Station Manager	Bruce Walker	VK2HOT
Welfare Officer	Bill Sinclair	VK2ZCV
Publicity Officer	Bill Brooke.	VK2ZCW
Education Officer	Larry Lindsay	VK2CLL
Equipment Officer	Horst Koppel	VK2FSTH
Club Historian	John Bailey	VK2KHB
Social Director	Barry Gilson	VK2FBRG
WIA Liaison Delegate	David Pilley	VK2AYD

The forthcoming year promises to be an important milestone in our club's progress. Our proposed involvement with the State Emergency Service should become effective within a few weeks, and will see us participating with the SES by providing assistance in the provision of this vital service to the community. (See page 3 for further details.)



Above L to R: John VK2KCE –Treas., Alan VK2GD — Pres., and Jim VK2VIV—Sec., the outgoing Executive from 2007-2008, after a successful and progressive year for ORARC. But... 50 minutes later they became the *incoming* executive for 2008-2009... expected to be another successful and progressive year.



ORARC's new acquisition, "the caravan" on site for its first workout as our VK2BOR portable operating centre at Tacking Point

Lighthouse/Lightship Contest

On Saturday morning 16th August, when most of the locals were still in bed!, Bruce VK2HOT & Barry VK2FBRG arrived at Henries VK2ZHE's QTH in Barry's 4wd to tow the club's new acquisition, the ex Sea Rescue Mobile Radio Room caravan to Tacking Point to operate portable in the 2008 Lighthouse/Lightship Contest.

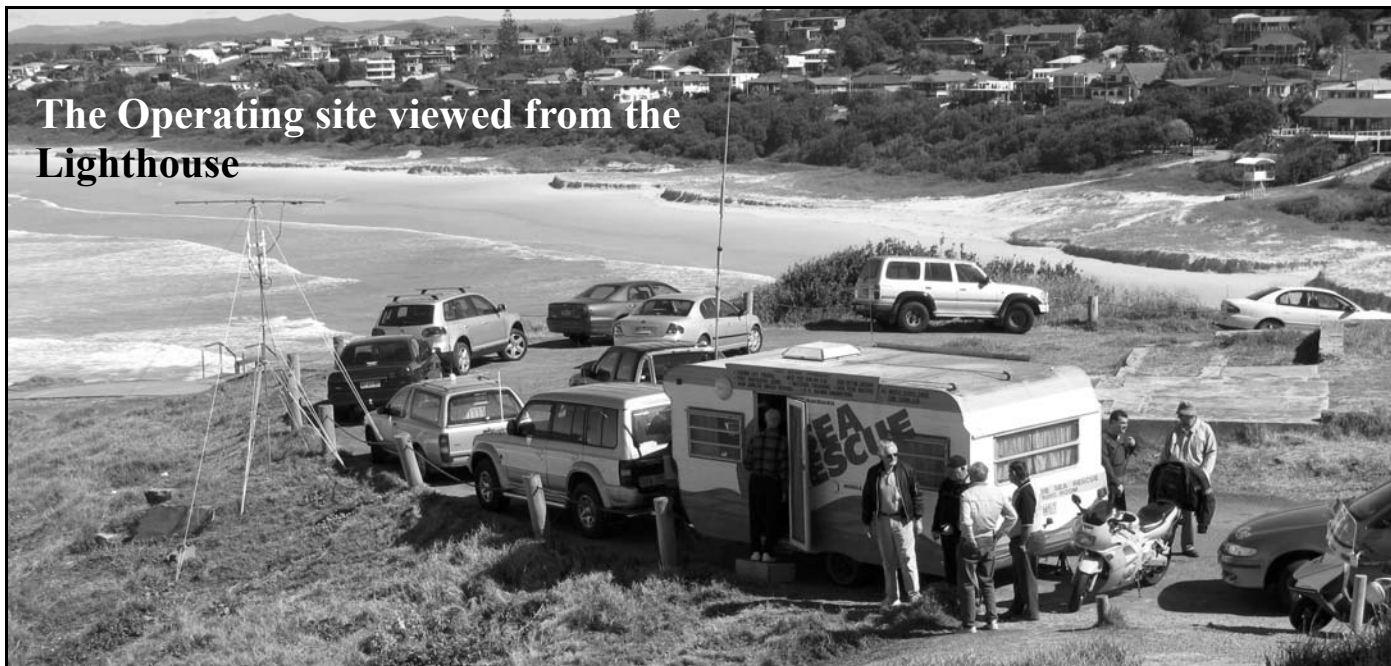
After much re-arranging, the van was hooked up, all radio gear stowed and the van was set-up just off the road, overlooking the South Pacific Ocean at Tacking Point.

By 09:00 hours EST., we were ready for the contest. A total of 26 lighthouse stations were contacted, with a grand total of 85 contacts. A breakdown of the bands and contacts used in the contest were on 2m, 2 contacts, 20m, 5 contacts & 40m, 22 contacts. We made a total of 85 contacts with 26 actual Lighthouse sites contacted.



VK2HOT & VK2ZCW in the operating area

As the day wore on, a strong easterly breeze sprang up and despite this, we were able to continue to operate in the comfort of the Van! Hot coffee was on tap, hot dogs for lunch which was kindly supplied by Henry VK2ZHE. The comment was that if



The Operating site viewed from the Lighthouse

we had the tent as usual we would have had to shut down and pack up.

This year the club's HF vertical was mounted on the van's drawbar, making it very portable. A portable mast was erected with a 2m beam and a 70 cm array, but only 2 contacts were made on 2m, which was naturally disappointing. Thanks to Neil VK2EI, and VK2KCE for the loan of their equipment.

At 16:30 EST., VK2BOR mobile station was shut down and the van returned to Henry's QTH in readiness for the RD contest.

Mention must be made for the extraordinary effort by the Wednesday morning group who installed coax, DC wiring, complete with a battery and power supply.

Special thanks goes out to Henry, VK2ZHE who burnt the candle at both ends to install the battery, (thanks Brett VK2TMG!) and the club's power supply (kindly donated by Bruce VK2HOT) and the changeover switch.

We can now operate by battery, and when the generator is connected and started, it automatically switches in and recharges the battery.

A huge thank you to Henry VK2ZHE who has donated countless bits and pieces, some small, some large, including connectors, wiring, conduit, changeover switch, and a lot of time. Mention must be made also to Henry's "open shed" policy where tools are lent and many bits and pieces are made available at no charge to the club.

Thanks to our "techies in residence" Henry, VK2ZHE, Neil VK2EI, Bill VK2ZCV & Bill VK2ZCW who made it all possible.

The club members who helped, encouraged, or just yarned were: VK2HOT,

Bruce, VK2EI Neil, VK2TT Trevor, VK2ZCV Bill & XYL Coralie, VK2KCE John, VK2ATM Arthur, VK2VIV Jim, VK2GD Alan, VK2KHB John, VK2IEV Joe, VK2EJK Bob, VK2IEV Joe, VK2TMG Brett, VK2ZCW Bill, VK2EM Bruce, VK2FBRG Barry, VK2AYQ John, VK2ZHE Henry, VK2ZCM Craig & XYL Jenny, VK2TMG Brett, VK2UPR Paul and VK9FLHI Des. Special thanks to Bruce VK2EM, who drove up from Forster to help us out, thanks mate!

If I have missed out on listing anybody, please accept my apologies!

— John VK2KCE

Remembrance Day

Following the 1630 EST closure of our "stint" in the Lighthouse/Lightship event from the Tacking Point Lighthouse site, the van was returned to Henry's QTH and VK2BOR was once again set up and ready to transmit by 1800 EST.

We operated until 2300 EST. On the Sunday we were operational at 0800 EST., through to 1800 hours EST. Once again the comfort and facilities of the Van were appreciated, with hot coffee on tap, and meals generously supplied by Henry. Barry FBRG was again appointed chief cook, thanks Barry!

A total of 182 contacts were made over the two days and bands used were 80, 40 & 20m.

We averaged 4.95 contacts per hour during the contest.

The members in attendance were VK2ZHE, VK2EM, VK2EI, VK2HOT, VK2ZCV & Coralie, VK2FBRG, VK2ATM, VK2ZCW, VK2KCE,

The Riggers at work



VK2TMG, VK2VIV, VK2ZCM, VK2GPG, VK2UPR, VK2ZYZ, VK2KHB and VK2IEV.

Again a big thank you to those who operated the VK2BOR station and anyone who helped in any way.

—John VK2KCE

(In a follow-up e-mail from Henry, there were some very interesting statistics emerging from the dual event. Here they are..... Ed)

“Fortunately not everyone was present at the same time at the two venues, especially at the lighthouse where the caravan would have burst at the seams if everyone had tried to get in at the same time! The total rollup was particularly pleasing.

Of course, not everyone actually operated VK2BOR but the exemplary membership support of both events was much appreciated.

The above numbers correlate well with the amount of food we served (20 hotdogs at the lighthouse and approximately 45 sausages and 10 eggs and 18 bacon rashers at the RD, and approximately 65 cups of hot tea/coffee).

By the way, activation of the club station in the two events using the newly acquired caravan was certainly

a popular event as approximately 25 members of the club directly participated in the weekend's field activity. This represents half of the total membership of the club. Everyone that I spoke with agreed that they thoroughly enjoyed both events.

CQ100

Ever heard of it? I hadn't until I read the May 2008 RSGB "RadCom".

We've probably all heard of and used VoIP either with "MSN", "Skype" or "Echolink".

Now we have a new one called "CQ100", the brain child of Doug MacCormack, VE3EFC. This is really an 'up-market' "Echolink" that provides a more realistic approach to Amateur Radio over the Internet.

You can use CW (keyboard or external keyer) as well as voice and some digimodes. The screen display is a transceiver with a panoramic type display. All HF bands from 80 to 10 metres are provided. So, when the bands are dead, why not go ionosphere free...?

More info on:

qsonet.com/programs.html

or

websearch

— David, VK2AYD.

Clubman of the Year Award 2008

At ORARC's AGM, our Treasurer, John McLean, VK2KCE was awarded the title and badge of the Clubman of the Year.

Apart from John's responsible role as "carer" for the ORARC's finances for the past two years, he has contributed much to the club in many other ways, all of which brought about an easy and popular decision by the committee that John should be the recipient of this award for 2007-2008.

We have all witnessed the dedicated effort and successful outcomes of projects in which John has played major roles. The engineering effort devoted to developing and executing the technique for machining the cavities for our repeater on Middle Brother and the engineering involved in the currently active restoration and modification of our trailer, are just two outstanding contributions that would have no doubt strongly influenced the committee's decision.

Congratulations, John! Well deserved!



John VK2KCE, being presented with his well-deserved "Clubman of the Year" award by President Alan, VK2GD.

Welcome Bill! ... to the World of Septuagenarians

On Saturday 26th July, 2008, Bill, VK2ZCV, celebrated the completion of his 70th orbit around Old Sol, qualifying him for entry into the World of that big word in the heading.

A large group of 44 well-wishers, made up of family, friends and fellow members of ORARC, gathered at the function room of the Port Macquarie City Bowling Club on the Saturday evening, to join in the celebration of Bill's 70th birthday. It was a surprise function that had been arranged by Bill's partner, Coralie, and a right good turn-out it was, too! An excellent venue, with plenty of party fare, and fluids with which to wash it all down.

There was a security leak somewhere along the line, too. There were two birthday cakes! Somebody had earlier let the cat out of the bag that Henry, VK2ZHE, had also, very recently, clocked up the completion of a "Sol Orbit". Accordingly, there was a

double celebration to be attended to, which involved the cutting of two appropriately decorated cakes, and two lots of glasses to be enthusiastically charged and readily consumed in the toasting formalities

On the following pages are some photographs that will help to preserve those pleasant memories that have their foundations in such events as a "Happy Birthday, Bill & Henry!" function.

DIGITAL COMMS

About a year ago, Arthur, VK2ATM and I endeavoured to get you interested in digital communications using PSK-31 and the "DIGIPAN" programme (which I still find the best for PSK).

There are in the region of 50 different types of digital signals being used by Amateurs on H.F.

I enjoy eaves dropping on these and have been trying different software programmes and find the best for general

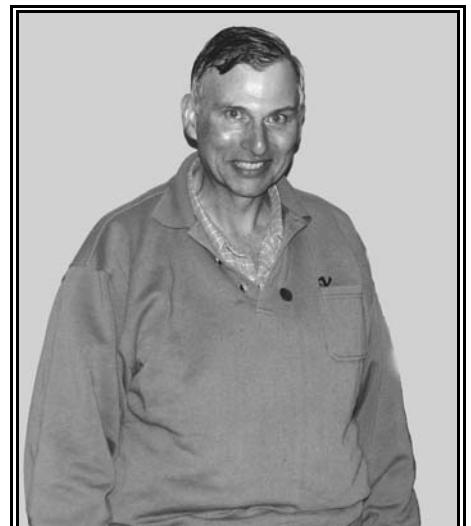
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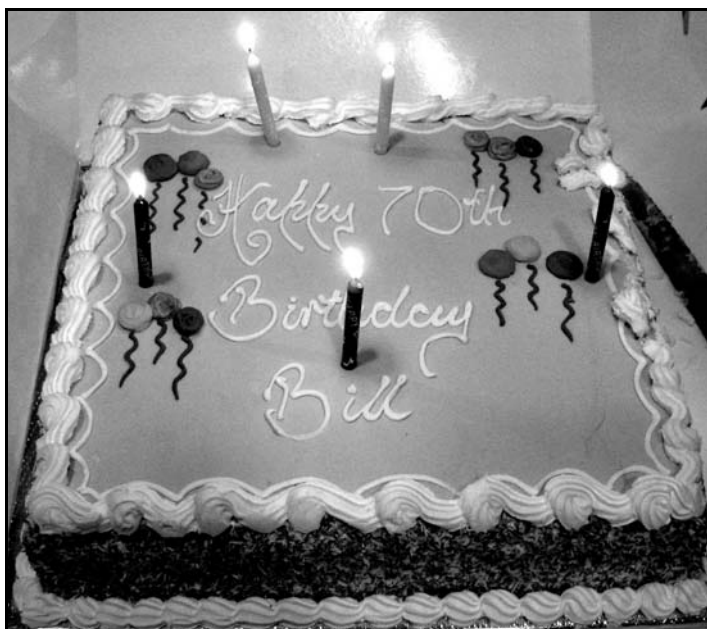
Bill & Coralie at the 70th Birthday Function



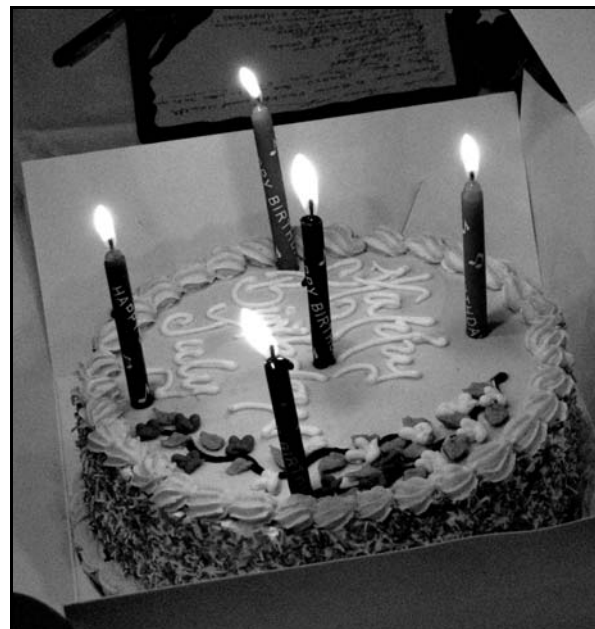
L to R: Alan VK2GD, Roy VK2YOR, & June, Roy's XYL



Henry, VK2ZHE, regaining his composure after being hit with the surprise of having to cut the cake that had been clandestinely arranged



Bill's Cake



Henry's Cake

PL-259 & SO-239 UHF Connectors.

The UHF connector is a World War II threaded RF connector design, from an era when UHF referred to frequencies over 30 MHz. Originally intended for use as a video connector in RADAR applications, it was later used for RF applications.

UHF connectors are generally usable through what is now known as the VHF frequencies and can handle RF power levels over one kilowatt.

The most popular cable plug and chassis-mount socket carry the U.S. military nomenclatures PL-259 and SO-239, respectively. The PL-259 can be used with large diameter coaxial cable, such as RG-8/U and RG-9/U, and the smaller diameter RG-58/U and RG-59/U with an adapter sleeve. Technically, "PL-259" refers to one specific mechanical design, but the term is often used for any UHF cable plug. The thread is usually 5/8 inch 24tpi UNEF standard, however, UHF connectors with a similar, metric, thread have been produced. The centre conductor jack on the SO-239 will also accept a banana plug. — John, VK2KCE.

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searching is "MULTIPSK" as it provides a selection of over 45 different modes from SSTV to CW. (I use both).

You still need an isolation interface between rig and computer, but this is only a mini 600 ohm transformer available from Dick Smiths and fits comfortably in a small plastic box. Takes about an hour to put together.

Why not give digi comms a go? Listen to VK2TT on 7.035 "PACKET" or VK2ATM and VK2AYD on 14.070 working the world with less than 20 watts (no TVI in my home) on PSK-31.

There are other software programmes such as "Mix-W" but it only has 17 different digi modes. "HamScope" is also popular but only has a selection of 6 modes. All these programmes are free off the internet or available on Arthur's "Ham Stuff" DVD.

Come on and join in the digi fun.

— David, VK2AYD

Morse Key Trivia

During the early days of telegraphy, the continuous operating of a 'pump handle' key for long periods often led to a problem known as Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (CTS). During the early 1900's a high speed telegrapher, Horace G. Martin, developed a severe case of CTS and set about designing a key to overcome the disability. He invented a side-swiper and named it 'Autoplex'.

With this he could send Morse much faster and soon this key was in great demand. He quit his job and developed the now world-famous "Vibroplex" semi automatic key. And in 2008, the modern version of "Vibroplex" is still in production.

To-day the electronic key is perhaps more favoured, and with its side-to-side movement, CTS has gone away.

BUT - now it has reared its ugly head with computers and the formidable "Mouse".

Once again the continuous and repetitive motions have led to complaints of CTS.

The 'Roller-ball' type mouse has helped but does not completely remove the problem. (I use a roller-ball and my thumb does ache after long sessions). I guess the problem will stay until full voice-interfaced computers become the norm. Can you design a better mouse? - please.

—73 de David VK2AYD

A Little Piece on SOS

Ever wondered where the famous signal SOS came from? An article in June QST by K2TON gave a brief insight into its origin.

It was not until circa 1904 that ships were first installed with wireless telegraphy equipment and call signs allocated. The Brits were then 'masters of the sea' and they adopted 'CQ' as the general call and 'CQD' as the distress call.

However other countries had their own distress calls for example the Italians used "SSDDD" and the Germans used 'SOE'.

During an international meeting it was decided this should be standardized world wide. The Germans were insistent that their 'SOE' was the best, however it was considered the 'E' could be lost in interference. It was mutually agreed that the signal SOS sent as one character ...---... be adopted. This was not 3 separate letters (S.O.S.) but one continuous signal.

Since it's foundation, reference has been made that it means "Save Our Souls" or 'Save Our Ship' but this is just an English interpretation. Try it in another language!

de VK2AYD

Scrapping Old Computers

With the fast changing technology surrounding us, computers seem to outdate themselves in very quick time. Proof of that is in my shed, where people update their equipment and drop the old one's in to me, hoping I'll disperse with them. I've just finished stripping 4 machines and real-

ised the power supplies are perfect for many amateur needs, especially those requiring 5 or 12 volts. (They also have useful fans inside that are great for cooling around your operating desk on a hot day).

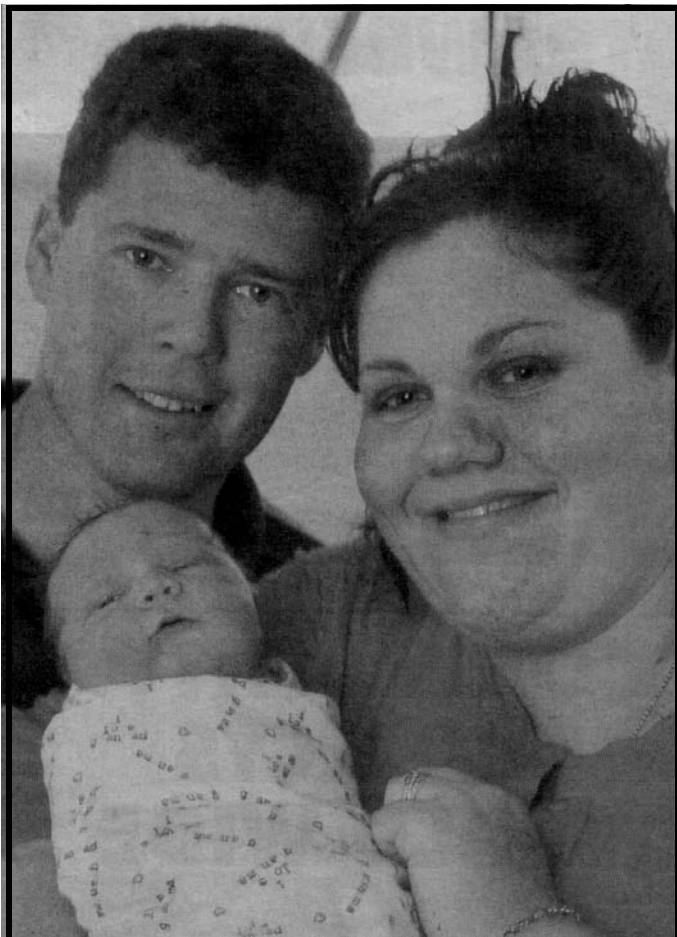
The four power units in these machines indicate the following outputs.

Type	+5v	-5v	+12v	-12v
Liton	22A	0.5A	6.5A	0.5A
IOI	20A	0.5A	8A	0.5A
Compaq	12A	1.2A	1.5A	0.2A
Skyhawk	23A	0.5A	9A	0.5A

If you want one, or would like a complete machine, please give me a call. It is a pity to see these just wind up on the tip. The power units fit nicely into a \$5 plastic box from the 'el cheapo' shops.

— de David VK2AYD

A New Harmonic!



Davis Paul Graham was born at Port Base Hospital on July 19 to Paul (VK2GPG) and XYL Jane. Congratulations to Mum & Dad, and welcome aboard, Davis! I wonder is call sign VK2DPG allocated yet? Davis, with his proud mum & dad, made it to the mast-head of the Port Macquarie News... in Living Colour, what's more!





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MEMBERSHIP REGISTER.
 (As at 31st August 2008)

Cat.	Surname	Given	Spouse Name	Call	Location	Tph
1	O	BAILEY	JOHN (FLORENCE)	VK2KHB	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6582 2192
2	D	BELL	ALAN	VK2BEL	COOLONGOLOOK	02 6554 1689
3	O	BIVONA	JOE (ROSE)	VK2IEV	PORT MACQUARIE	Mob 0405 040 953
4	L	BLYTH	BOB	VK2XIQ	PORT MACQUARIE	-
5	O	BRODIE	BOB	VK2EJK	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6582 0592
6	O	BROOKE	AILSA (BILL)	VK2FABJ	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6581 0547
7	O	BROOKE	BILL (AILSA)	VK2ZCW	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6581 0547
8	O	BURGES	ROY (JUNE)	VK2YOR	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6583 8801
9	D	EKERT	BRUCE (YULIA)	VK2EM	FORSTER	02 6555 4161
10	A	GRAHAM	PAUL (JANE)	VK2GPG	WAUCHOPE	02 6586 4720
11	O	GREEN	LEWIS (PAMELA)	VK2AG	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6584 9162
12	L	HANLON	KEITH	-	PORT MACQUARIE	-
13	O	HANSEN	JOHN	VK2AYQ	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6582 7932
14	O	HARDING	DAVID (ISABELLA)	VK2AIF	WAUCHOPE	02 6586 4980
15	O	HEATON	BOB (KIM)	VK2FRTH	HAT HEAD	02 6567 7537
16	O	KOPPEL	HORST	VK2FHKO	LAKE CATHIE	02 6585 5992
17	L	LINDSAY	LARRY	VK2CLL	BAGNOO	02 6587 1155
18	O	LOOMIS	CHARLEY	VK2ZYZ	WAUCHOPE	-
19	L	LUNDELL	HENRY	VK2ZHE	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6582 0534
20	O	MADIGAN	ALLAN (DAWN)	VK2OA	WAUCHOPE	02 6585 2043
21	O	MARTIN	CRAIG (JENNY)	VK2ZCM	SANCROX	02 6585 3452
22	O	MCLEAN	JOHN (CORRINE)	VK2KCE	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6584 6220
23	D	MILLS	TIM	VK2ZTM	BEECROFT	02 9868 1434
24	H	MINAHAN	CHRIS	VK2EJ	HALLIDAYS POINT	02 6559 3516
25	L	MONCK	ARTHUR (WENDY)	VK2ATM	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6581 0960
26	O	NEIL	JIM (CAROL)	VK2VIV	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6581 2481
27	O	NEWHAM	LAURIE (ROBIN)	VK2ELN	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6583 5387
28	O	NUTT	ALAN (ELAINE)	VK2GD	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6584 9639
29	O	PILLEY	DAVID (DEE)	VK2AYD	KING CREEK	02 6585 2647
30	O	REES	BRETT	VK2TMG	LAKE CATHIE	Mob 0400 014 641
31	O	ROMAINE	PAUL	VK2UPR	PORT MACQUARIE	Mob 0428 466 075
32	O	ROTH	BILL	VK2CWR	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6581 1776
33	O	SANDFORD	NEIL (VERENA)	VK2EI	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6582 5830
34	L	SINCLAIR	BILL (CORALIE)	VK2ZCV	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6583 9302
35	D	TARRANT	DAVID (AILEEN)	VK2TBC	ILUKA	02 6646 5012
36	O	THATCHER	TREVOR	VK2TT	WAUCHOPE	02 6585 2278
37	D	THOMPSON	DES (BETTY)	VK9FLHI	LORD HOWE ISLAND	02 6563 2152
38	O	WALKER	BRUCE (GWEN)	VK2HOT	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6583 8360
39	O	WEBSTER	PAUL (CAROL)	VK2BZC	PORT MACQUARIE	02 6583 3377

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