

ZS6STN News Update

Dear Member,

2020-01-05

Wishing you and your family a prosperous 2020.

Club News Update:

Logging workshop:

The Sandton/Hammies Amateur Radio Club is presenting a logging workshop. The workshop is aimed at Hams who want to find out more about how and where to log their contacts.

The following topics will be covered:

- Reason for Logging
- Legal requirements for Logging HF contacts
- Paper logs
- Electronic logging Software
- Online logbooks/databases
- Online Electronic QSL card Centres
- LoTW and DXCC
- SARL QSL system
- Computer and radio interfacing
- Useful tools

All welcome.

Date: 18th January

Venue: NARC Sentech Octave street, Radiokop

Start: 9:30am

Tea and coffee will be served.

Donations welcome (This will go towards the Hammies Club for youth development)

Please RSVP to zr6dx@iafrica.com

SARL 2020 Convention:

The Sandton ARC in conjunction with the Hammies ARC will be hosting the SARL 2020 Convention at the Wanderers Club in Illovo Johannesburg, on the 3rd and 4th of April 2020. There will be an SARL Symposium on Friday the 3rd April. This will start from 1 pm on the Friday and is organised by Hans van de Groenendaal ZS6AKV. This is an event not to be missed, so please book early. The SARL AGM will take place on Saturday morning the 4th. There will be a celebratory dinner dance on Saturday evening with the LM Radio Band and Eddie Eksteen. The SARL is also celebrating their 95th year birthday. If you are not going to attend and you are an SARL member, then please give your proxy to one of the committee members. I will email you the form as soon as it's available.

Hammies ZS6ZU:

The Hammies Club will be starting a Class-B RAE course on Saturday the 25th of January. So if you know of any young aspiring Amateur Radio Operators who would like to learn about Amateur Radio, basic electronics and Arduino, then please give either Graham Busse ZS6GL or myself a call. You can also email the details to the following email addresses:

grahambusse@vodamail.co.za
zr6dx@iafrica.com

SARL National HF Field Day:

The Sandton Club always participates in this contest. This will be held on the weekend of the 8th and 9th February. This is more of a fun social event for Sandton Club Members and families. This is normally held at the Magalies Sleepy River Caravan Park, which is on the R96, between the R563 and the R24. Just google "Magalies Sleepy River Caravan Park" for directions. Bring along your braai pack and a few chairs and come and have a social on the Saturday. For further details please contact Marius ZR6MS by email, marius2112@vodamail.co.za or Matthew ZS6MDV matt.varkevisser@gmail.com

Sandton RAE:

If you know of any person wanting to do the Class-A RAE then please get hold of Grant Dixon ZR6GD by email on. grantdixon48@gmail.com. Courses should start the last week in January or the latest early February. The RAE is the life blood of the Sandton Club so please promote the hobby to your friends and family.

Committee Meeting:

The Committee will be meeting on Thursday evening the 9th of January, at the National Amateur Radio Centre at 7pm. If you have any ideas or would like to get more involved with your club then please come and join in.

73

Noel Hammond ZR6DX
Chairman Sandton ARC