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## Amateur Radio Stations VK4RC & VK4IZ



A view of our beautiful new kitchen prior to installation of the “Zippy” HW heater (seen near the sink) – see page 3

## **From the Editor**

Greetings to all Club members, radio enthusiasts, family supporters and friends.

Welcome to QRM for August 2006. Since our last edition of QRM, another AGM has passed, and the new Club Executive has been elected and have begun their administration of our club business. We especially welcome new members of the Executive, David (VK4FDRC), our new Club President and Peter (VK4TGV), 2nd Vice President. We congratulate and thank all the Executive for their election, and I hope club members will join me in pledging our support throughout the term of their office. We also congratulate and thank those who have been appointed to other roles and responsibilities which are vital to the effective operation of our Club. And not least, we thank all those who served in the Executive and other offices over the previous financial year. For members who were unable to attend the AGM, the minutes in full have been included, along with the Treasurer's reports, in this edition of QRM.

The frantic pace of development and upgrading at our Club has continued over the last two months. We have now completed most of the major items which were listed on our applications for the Gaming Commission and Redcap Grants. To catch up with all the details of what has been going on, please see the lead article by our Secretary Peter (VK4TAA). The best way to get an idea of what has been happening is to go to the Club and see for yourself. If you haven't attended for while, I think you will be in for a most pleasant surprise. Our grateful thanks go to all who have worked tirelessly and are still working on these improvements.

As promised in the last QRM, the second article by Lloyd (VK4DOW) on his adventurous motor cycle trips is presented for your enjoyment. Many thanks Lloyd for your contributions to QRM throughout this year.

Finally, please note we have one more working bee to go (we hope) for this year – the final push! Let's have as many as possible turn up and finish off what has been a great effort throughout the year. After this, we can begin to sit back and enjoy the benefits of all our hard work.

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## **NEW WEBSITE**

**The Club has a new website, the URL is <http://vk4rc.we.net.au> Thanks to Brad VK4FAAF and his ISP business we.net.au for his generous contribution to the club. If you have internet needs, Brad can help you, and you would be supporting a member and sponsor of our Club – see advertisement at back page: wenet.au.**

# OUR CLUB ON THE GO

by Secretary **Peter Richardson** (VK4TAA)

**The club upgrade is progressing well with the all but the electrical work to be concluded. Since our last QRM we have had a number of contractors finish their work along with club members' working bees. The kitchen is now installed, along with new benches in the radio room. The roof insulation has also been installed which will make the club rooms a lot quieter & cooler in summer.**

**The working bees have completed the following:** New security bars on all windows except the toilet/washroom (which will be done in the next working bee). We have an air conditioner donated by the treasurer, Glenn VK4FZ, and installed in the radio room. All the HF, 2m and 70 cm radios have been set up in the new radio room. The vertical HF antenna was cleaned and is awaiting installation – hopefully on the RD competition weekend. Charlie and his team have also made a great start on sorting our library into one we can be proud of. Charlie is now able to find most publications we have and with further refinement and labels we will all be able to find them too!

Peter, VK4YRU has received the new 2m repeater, set up the appropriate crystals & bench tested the set at home. This is expected to be installed over the RD contest weekend so let us know the difference. The new repeater should have double the TX power of the old one so we expect it to cover some of those black spots out there. Peter has also set up a replacement 2m set for normal club use that has a stronger front end to stop all that annoying pager interference we were experience at the club.

Along with the new kitchen, we have installed the new Zippy hot water service, and a new sink for the toilet wash room. All the inside painting has now been completed with only the outside painting to be done. A working bee early in Septembert will be tasked for this project.

Our new computers have been installed on the new LAN and the projector and screen are ready for use.

Stewart VK4TSB has been working hard on our power upgrade. We now have RCD (earth leakage circuit breaker) installed along with several new power circuits and with the help of Peter VK4TGV, an “all in one switch” that turns all non essential circuits off when we leave the building. New security lights have been installed around the outside of the building and all these are on the sensor circuit so that they will be on at night. This should help reduce our vandalism which hasn't really been too bad. Stewart still has several more things to do before completing the project.

We are looking for a couple of items to complete the internal face lift. We should have some curtain material coming from Peter VK4TGV but need some help to sow the hems and hooks on them. We are also looking to cover the floor holes not already covered by carpet and so are looking for some reasonable quality carpet for the radio room and at the front of the meeting room near the white board. If you are able to help please see Peter VK4TAA or Glenn VK4FZ.

Lastly, a coffee cup rack would be great, preferably a shelf type one that can accommodate upside down coffee mugs.

**The RD contest on the 13/14 of August will be the inaugural shakedown for the new Club facilities and radio room.**

Hope to see you there or hear you on the air.

73's Peter VK4TAA

Peter Richardson VK4TAA  
Secretary of the Redcliffe & Districts Amateur Radio Club.  
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## **2004/05 COMMITTEE MEMBERS & CLUB DIRECTORY**

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<b>Treasurer</b>	Glenn Wood VK4FZ	Phone: 3351 4295

**Meetings:** ***EVERY MONDAY** with regular guest speakers and ongoing projects*  
***Time:** 1930hrs (local)*

**WHERE:** *Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club clubhouse - Cnr Klinger Rd & Macfarlane St, Kippa Ring*

**Clubhouse:** *Open every Monday evening 1930hrs (local) INCLUDING PUBLIC HOLIDAYS*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month : General Members Discussion Meeting**

**CLUB NETS:** Sunday evenings at 1900K 2m on 146.925MHz Redcliffe repeater VK4RRC and 1945K 80m 3.618 MHz ± QRM VK4RC Net control : 27 MHz, channel 20, 27.205 MHz LSB, Thursday at 8pm

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NET\_1: Sunday 1900K 146.925  
NET\_2: Sunday 1945K 3.618  
REPEATERS: VK4RRC VR 146.925, 438.325

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### **Forthcoming Events**

- General business meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month \*\*\* (except June)
- Foxhunts, 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month
- Wednesday activities – mornings 8.30am each fortnight – next 23<sup>rd</sup> August and 6<sup>th</sup> Sept
- Trivia Nights every Wednesday evening on 70 cm repeater, 7.15pm for check-ins
- Working bee, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – see notices elsewhere in this QRM for details

## Coming Major Club Events – please note

**Working bee:** The next working bee will be on Saturday 2 September where we will paint the outside of the building & finish the last 2 security bars for the toilet & wash room. We are looking for trestles & painters planks so if you have access to either of these please let Peter, VK4TAA (0419 015 613) know ASAP. The more equipment we have the easier the job will be. We should be able to complete the project in 1 day if we have all the logistics & volunteers available on the day.

If we get enough workers at this working bee, we will finish the project in 1 day, so please put this on your calendars, Please bring paint brushes, rollers, saw horses, ladders & planks ( for painting the surfeits fascia's & gutters). The trestles are required for painting the ends of the roof.

**Jota:** Your club will be running Jota from the scouts Murrenbong Campsite at Petrie. The event this year will be 21/22 October & we will need members support over the weekend. A special call sign for the event has been purchased for the clubs usage for the event (VK4SMB). Advertising in Scout & Guide magazines has occurred & further coms is planned. Put this date down in your calendars, we will be on site from Friday to Sunday & you will be able to camp on site over the weekend & have some fun.

**Red Sun Rally:** This year's Redsun Rally will also be the grand opening of the Club rooms. The Redsun Rally is a great fun day out shared between Sunshine Coast clubmembers & ourselves. All visitors are welcome. The event starts with a car rally, followed by a BBQ & lastly the Fox Finding event. Our Club has been very successful over the years with this event so come along & join in the fun. This event will be in November, date to be determined. During the day the Club will have the grand opening & will invite our local politicians & supporters.

## AMATEUR RADIO THEORY COURSES AT RECLIFFE

If you would like to get your amateur license, upgrade, or do a refresher course, you can study for the theory, regulations and practical for Foundation, Standard or Advanced at Redcliffe Radio Club. See Alan VK4KZ, Laurie VK4BLE, Glenn VK4FZ, or anyone from the Executive. You don't have to be a Club member to participate. Special courses will also be arranged to prepare people for the Foundation License. Please let one of the above know if you wish to attend one of these. There may be limits to class sizes.

The next advanced course is planned to begin early September.

## MAINTAINING REPEATER RADIO EQUIPMENT

The Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club's VHF and UHF repeaters are available for all amateurs to use, and all are welcome to use them, however, the radio equipment must be maintained and upgraded from time to time. If you would like to make a donation towards this upkeep, it may be forwarded to: The Secretary, Redcliffe and District Radio Club Inc, PO Box 20, Woody Point, QLD, 4019.

# V/Star-Cruiser or Tourer ?

## Part 2

by *Lloyd Dow (VK4DOW)*

The return trip from Melbourne to Caloundra was something different. A bit of background info to set the scene. One of our sons, Brendan, is a vintage Harley enthusiast and rides a 1947 FL knuckle head. There was a Harley v Indian motor cycle event at Cootamundra NSW and dubbed The Great Coota 1000, as a substitute race for not having The Great Race this year. Riders were riding from Melbourne and Sydney on these vintage and veteran bikes for the race in Cootamundra, 40 Harleys and 40 Indians, and I was invited to join the ride from Melbourne to the event and celebrations. Brendan and I rode from Williamstown meeting the Melbourne group of about 30 bikes at 08:00 at the Shell S/S Kal-Kalo on Friday 22/03/02. The organizers of the event Dave Readie and Peter Arundel had arranged for a back up vehicle with some spares and were towing a breakdown trailer. They also provided a luggage van. We left at 08:45. Thanks Dave for allowing me to join the ride and the group for making me welcome.

As you would appreciate all of these bikes were over 40 years old and some up to 70 years of age. They varied from barn fresh bikes to restored bikes down to the last original nut and bolt. There was a 5 minute rule for all bikes, if your bike breaks down and you cannot get mobile within 5 minutes your bike is on the trailer. I was surprised how reliable and quick they were. Most of the time we were sitting on the 110 speed limit of H/Way 31 and every now and again one rider would get a rush of blood and round up the fleet. Fuel stops were quite frequent and lunch was at Albury. So far none had to be carried on the breakdown trailer. From Albury we traveled the Olympic H/Way to Cootamundra, which was a bit of a rough ride for some of the rigid suspension bikes. When they hit some of the unavoidable sharp bumps the front of the bike went up, and the rear went sideways. At Coota two bikes came in on the trailer, once Indian and one Harley, but they both took part in the race on Saturday, a great effort after a 550 km ride on the old bikes.

The Yamaha performed faultlessly I had no fatigue. The bike was given the once over by some of the Milwaukee Iron fans. They weren't all that keen on the chromed plastic bits, but accepted it as not bad for a machine from the land of the rising sun.

Some riders and their family had driven, opting to trailer their mounts to the gathering and all up about 150 strong. After a meal at the local Chinese and a fair bit of noise around the main street (Parker St) we retired to the local motel.

Saturdays events were a show and shine in Parker St (which was closed off for the day). From 10:30 the spectators could vote for their favorite bike and win themselves and the bike owner a prize, a BBQ in the middle of Parker St, and the race at 14:00. A mystery trip by bus to our dinner location had also been organized. Dave Readie had publicized the event on local media, also with the Mayor, the local Mr Plod and the local traders.

The food stores and pubs did a brisk business with some of the guys opting for a liquid lunch prior to the race. The local people supported the event and turned out in their hundreds for the show and shine and the race start. The show and shine was a great success and the most popular bike with the crowd was a Harley.

The race was a team event and each bike could score a maximum of 4 team points. Riders, 4 from each team had to start their bikes 1 minute prior to their start time (all kick start bikes) and if they started first time they received 1 point. They were flagged off by Stacks (I don't know his real name) at 1 minute intervals for a 200 km ride through several check points. Two of the check points were worth 1 point each. On return over the finish line they had to stop the bike and it had to start first kick to earn the point.

Three bikes failed to return, one Indian and two Harleys, with the three riders coming to grief and spending the night in the Gundagai Hospital. Today was the Yamaha's rest day.

That night we all met at the local Town Hall and two 68 seat coaches arrived smack on time at 18:30 to take us to our mystery location dinner. As we boarded the coach every body received a couple of stubs as traveling companions and about a 30 minute drive out of town we drove into a very large sheep farm. After disembarking from the coach we had a 200m meter walk up a steep hill to a very large shearing shed which was the venue for dinner. Along the 200 meter track were several stop points with waiters handing out glasses of champagne, shit, this was unbelievable.

We all milled around outside the shed chatting about the day's events and low and behold waiters appeared with trays of finger food, light or heavy beer, more champagne and non alcoholic drinks. Can it get any better than this. Well.....yes it can. We were then beckoned to go into the shed which had been set up as a dining room, with more champagne and red wine on the tables and the aroma of fine food being cooked in a rear annex, and an old rigid framed Indian motor bike at the front of the shed. We ate, drank and chatted.

Then came the announcements and presentations. The Harley team had won the inaugural **Great Coota 1000.**

Peter Arundel the Indian guru (Peter was on crutches from a Friday effort of kick starting an Indian..... and the Indian kicked back) showed a film of the Indian motor bike that was on display setting a speed record on a salt lake flat in South Australia a couple of weeks ago with Peter in the rider's seat. His maximum speed was 158.7 MPH yep that's miles per hour, and that's about 275 KPH. Geeeeeeeeese,..... The Yammy don't do that. The bike had an inboard camera pointing at the front forks and wheel and the rigid forks were shaking like a dog passing razor blades as the top speed was approached. The night was a great success and all the wining Harley riders were presented with engraved shields for their effort. They could go back to harassing the Indian riders for another 12 months. The whole event was brilliantly organized, well supported by the Cootamundra locals and officials, and may become a regular event. Tomorrow I head home via Young, Cowra, Forbes and the dreaded Newell Highway to Moree (745 km) for an over night stop.

I left Cootamundra at 8:15 on the Olympic H/Way toward Young and Cowra for fuel and breakfast. That stretch of the Olympic H/Way is through some scenic countryside although the road surface is typical NSW road. Onto the Lachlan Valley H/Way at Cowra through Gooloogong to Forbes. A right hand turn and I was smack on the Newell, amongst the native animals road kill, shredded truck tires, pot holes and what seems like never ending stretches of road works. It's a real good highway.....to avoid..... Unless you enjoy passing B-double semi's, caravans and unfriendly men holding up stop sign sticks. On arrival at Moree I booked into the local Budget Motel and unloaded the bike. I decided to walk to the Golden Arches of McDonalds for some junk food. Bad timing Lloyd. As I walked down the street I was approached by a very large Rottweiler. I said G'Day to the dog but as I passed him he lunged forward and latched onto the left cheek of my backside. My immediate reaction was to punch the beast's head and he backed off and went on his way. Luckily I was still wearing my riding jeans (Draggin Jeans) which have the kevlar in the vital parts. The result was a bruised arse with teeth mark bruises and all but no broken skin.

So Mr Draggin Jeans there is another good ad for your product...protection against F\*^#@\*g big savage dogs. At the beginning of my trip I set a maximum distance of 800 km for any one day and if I felt tired or fatigued I would call it a day and stop. I did not have to do this on any occasion. Once again the cruiser had proved faultless, comfortable to ride and even though I started the day after a skin full of ale and a late night I had no riding fatigue....but a sore bum thanks to the F\*^#@\*g big black beast of Moree.

The 600 odd kilometers from Moree to Caloundra was uneventful via the Newell to Boggabilla and the Cunningham H/Way through Inglewood, Warwick, Amberly and Ipswich. The full round trip was 4,050 km

and a great riding holiday. The bike was a pleasure to ride and only petrol was put into it. It maybe that I can now refer to cruiser styled bikes and cruising/tourers.

A final few comments about my own riding gear. Riding gear and personal apparel are a matter of choice but mine was as follows and proved very satisfactory. I took 2 pair of gloves, light Harley and heavy Torinni Black Rose gauntlets. I started the day with the gauntlets and changed to the light weight gloves as the day warmed up. I had a Damart balaclava and Damart under gloves and a throat coat. These are brilliant light weight products and I would rate them a must on any long bike trip. A polar fleece vest was also a good investment. I had only one pair of boots. Falco calf length. I wore a medium weight Torinni touring jacket with no body armour. I used an AGV full face helmet. My only down comments would be the helmet was a little noisy and one broken zip fastener on the sleeve of the Torinni Jacket.

Hope you enjoyed my trip!

Cheers Lloyd Dow.

*Lloyd supplied some photos with this article but I was not able to put them into this edition due to scanner problems. Hopefully, if they scan OK, I can include them in the next QRM. (Ed)*



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## ----- Club second hand market -----

Do you have any radio gear, components, bits and pieces you would like to sell or swap. You can advertise in QRM for free. Please call, email or send details to the QRM Editor, Alan (VK4KZ). Similarly if you want something you think someone might have, you can also advertise in QRM. Your Club is there working for you. For current items for sale/wanted, see below.

### ~~~~~ FOR SALE ~~~~~

**From the Club:** a Syntrex Citizen Band radio to be sold. Price \$200. Unit is set to transmit high power. See Peter (VK4TAA) Club Secretary.

**1 - Triband antenna - Junior (we think). Not sold at the auction. If you would like this Triband antenna for \$50 please let Glenn or Peter know.**

### ~~~~~ WANTED ~~~~~

**We are looking for a Dummy Load for the club to be located in the new radio room. The Dummy load will be used for Foundation training courses & for repairs as & when needed. A larger power rating would be nice but will be happy with up to 100watts.**

**Power supplies - 10 amps. We are looking a couple of suitable power supplies to run the club 2m & 70 cm radios. These are the ones that remain in the club rooms for calls etc.**

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# Redcliffe & Districts Radio Club Inc.

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## Annual General Meeting 19/6/06

**The Meeting was opened by the president VK4PB – Peter at 8.00pm**

**Present:** As per the attendance book (over 20 club members).

**Apologies:** VK4KY, VK4YOL, VK4TGV, VK4DAH, VK4PJK, VK4ZMG plus others that I may have missed. (sorry)

**The minutes from the last Annual General Meeting** held 20 June 2005 were moved to be taken as read by VK4WX John. Seconded by Ken.

The report was accepted by the meeting.

**Business Arising from the minutes** – none.

**Presidents report:** Was read by the president VK4PB – Peter

Moved to be accepted by VK4TKA Kerrod & Seconded by VK4UG Ray.

The report was accepted by the meeting.

**Certificates of appreciation:** This year Peter VK4TAA reported being given some valuable memorabilia in the form of Club key rings. These were awarded to the following recipients. VK4KZ – Alan for his fantastic efforts in bring the foundation course to fruition for the club. We have seen several new foundation members attain their licence from Allan's great work.

VK4FZ – Glenn, for his extraordinary efforts this year. In his 1<sup>st</sup> year on the executive Glen & his 2 boys have been a pillar of strength for working bees & club events.

VK4YRU - Peter has work tirelessly in the background keeping our repeater network operating to its optimum. There is lots of hrs spent repairing & optimising our repeaters & support radios for echolink & the soon to be released IRLP.

### Treasurer's report:

Glenn reported a good year with the 2 grants included in our books. The gaming commission & Redcap grants are being spent as per the conditions of their award. Over \$18,000 was from the gaming commission & \$660 from the redcap grant.

Balance as of 31/5/06 - \$19,545.10

Glenn further reported that the club subscriptions are not meeting our running expenses, but revenues from other areas such as the auction over \$400, raffles, door donations, Drinks etc meant that we were ahead of our costs by around \$2,000 plus our Term Deposition \$3,198.

The report was audited by Vanessa Lederhose B com, MBA, CPA, GAICD, JP (Qual) Qld.  
 Glenn moved the report be accepted & VK4TAA seconded the report.  
 The report was accepted by the meeting

**Silent keys.**

**Peter Garrison Shield** – John – VK4WX presented the shield to Reg VK4KMP this year for his outstanding efforts in the gaming commission grants bid.

The President handed the chair over to VK4XY – George for the election of office bearers. The people in bold were the successful candidates.

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	
President	John - WX	Peter - TAA	Accepted
	Peter - PB	Peter - TAA	Declined
	Steve - IT	Peter –TAA	Declined
	Reg – KMP	Peter – TAA	Declined
	David – FDRC	Glen – FZ	Accepted
	Peter – TGV	Peter – TAA	Declined
	<b>VK4FDRC – David Close was elected as this years president from a close election</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	<b>Steve – VK4IT</b>	Charlie – YZ	Accepted
	John VK4WX	Glen – FZ	Declined
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Charlie Strong - VK4YZ	Peter – TAA	Declined
	<b>Peter - TGV</b>	Peter –TAA	Accepted
Treasurer	<b>Glenn Wood – VK4TGW</b>	Peter - TAA	Accepted
Secretary	<b>Peter Richardson VK4TAA</b>	Glenn- FZ	Accepted
QRM editor	<b>Alan Jenner – VK4KZ</b>	Peter -TAA	Accepted
Technical Manager	<b>Andy Wood – VK4KY</b>	Glenn - FZ	Accepted
Property & Equipment manager	<b>Peter Bread – VK4PB</b>	Charlie - YZ	Accepted

Class Manager	<b>Alan Jenner – VK4KZ</b>	Peter - TAA	Accepted
Assist Class Manager	Kerrod Atfield VK4TKA <b>Glenn – VK4FZ</b>	Glenn – FZ Peter - TAA	Declined Accepted
QSL Manager	Laurie Pritchard – VK4BLE <b>Charlie – VK4YZ</b>	Peter –TAA Glenn	Accepted
Publicity Manager & web manager	<b>Steve – VK4IT</b>	Charlie - YZ	Accepted
HF net controller	<b>Andy VK4KY</b>	Glenn – FZ	Accepted
2m net controller	<b>Bob Tencati – VK4TEN</b>	Peter –TAA	Accepted
Q5 & Echo link & IRLP manager	<b>Steven Pearson – VK4IT</b>	Glenn - FZ	Accepted
Repeater Manager	<b>Peter Harrison – VK4YRU</b>	Peter - TAA	Accepted
Club Mtce manager	<b>Ken Cosgrove</b>	Peter -TAA	Accepted
Grants acquisition	<b>Reg Page</b>	Peter - TAA	Accepted

**Special Business**

The new president took the chair & called for any new business.

Charlie moved that Jason – VK4YOL have is membership extended for the coming year for free in recognition of his wife’s work on the audit. Seconded by Glenn – FZ - Carried.

The Raffle was won by Ces – VK4VKC.

The meeting was closed at 9.00 at which time the June General Meeting was opened.

Thanks, Peter VK4TAA

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**One Dick Smith 100W 6m amplifier belonging to Charlie (VK4YZ), probably loaned to someone after a field day. If you have it, or know where it is, please return to Charlie.**

**Redcliffe & Districts Radio Club Inc.**

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**Profit & Loss Statement**

**1/06/2005 through 31/05/2006**

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Income		
Advertising	\$38.18	
Miscellaneous Income	\$1,517.05	
Class & tuition	\$174.56	
Club Project / Shirts	\$588.19	
Donations	\$1,099.50	
Exam Fees	\$652.56	
Gaming Commission Grant	\$16,676.00	
Interest	\$167.52	
Rates Rebate	\$860.52	
Refreshments	\$1,177.19	
Badges & Equipment	\$779.00	
Subscriptions	\$1,405.00	
Freight Collected	\$4.09	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$25,139.36</b>	
Cost of Sales		
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$25,139.36</b>	
Expenses		
Bank Fees	\$2.20	
Electricity	\$160.37	
Engraving, Certificates etc.	\$32.00	
Examinations	\$213.64	
Functions	\$150.00	
Association Fees	\$35.10	
Insurance	\$752.83	
Lease	\$90.91	
Licences	\$168.00	
Memberships	\$16.00	
Miscellaneous	\$1,291.15	
Postage		
Post Box Rental	\$54.55	
Projects	\$521.73	
Rates	\$1,296.01	
Refreshments	\$255.45	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$554.32	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$5,594.26</b>	
<b>Net Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$19,545.10</b>	

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**Redcliffe & Districts Radio Club Inc.**

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**Balance Sheet**

**As of May 2006**

18/06/2006  
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<b>Assets</b>			
Current Assets			
Cash On Hand			
Cheque Account	\$15,098.72		
Undeposited Funds	\$5.00		
Total Cash On Hand		\$15,103.72	
Pledges Receivable		\$660.00	
Investments			
Fixed Interest Investments	\$3,198.88		
Total Investments		\$3,198.88	
Total Current Assets			\$18,962.60
Property & Equipment			
Buildings			
Buildings at Cost	\$10,000.00		
Total Buildings		\$10,000.00	
Plant & Equipment			
Plant & Equipment	\$19,707.06		
Total Plant & Equipment		\$19,707.06	
Total Property & Equipment			\$29,707.06
<b>Total Assets</b>			<b>\$48,669.66</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Current Liabilities			
GST Liabilities			
GST Collected	\$2,185.18		
GST Paid	-\$2,732.16		
GST Rebate	\$61.00		
Total GST Liabilities		-\$485.98	
Total Current Liabilities			-\$485.98
<b>Total Liabilities</b>			<b>-\$485.98</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>			<b>\$49,155.64</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Prior Year's Surplus/Deficit		\$28,423.39	
Retained Earnings		\$1,187.15	
Current Year Surplus/Deficit		\$19,545.10	
<b>Total Equity</b>			<b>\$49,155.64</b>

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Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club Inc

**Independent Audit Report**  
For the financial Year ended 31 May 2006.

**SCOPE**

I have audited the financial accounts of the Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club Inc for the year ended 31 May 2006, the committee and those responsible for the preparation of the financial report and the information contained therein. I have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial reports are free of material misstatement. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial reports, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial reports are presented fairly, in accordance with Australian Accounting concepts and standards. This is done to provide a view, which is consistent with our understanding of the Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club Inc financial position, the result of its operations and its cash flows.

There are no mortgages, charges and securities of any description affecting any of the property of this incorporated association as at the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2006.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

**AUDIT OPINION**

In my opinion, the financial reports presents fairly in accordance with the statements of accounting concepts and the application of accounting standards. The financial position of the Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club as at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2006 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended are accurately portrayed.

  
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14<sup>th</sup> June 2006

----- **WIA Membership** -----

Please let the Secretary, Peter know if you have recently become a member of WIA. WIA membership of our Club members is important because we are able to derive insurance benefits. If you are not in WIA, please consider this seriously – it is our representative body.

👤👤👤👤 **PAINTERS WANTED** 👤👤👤👤

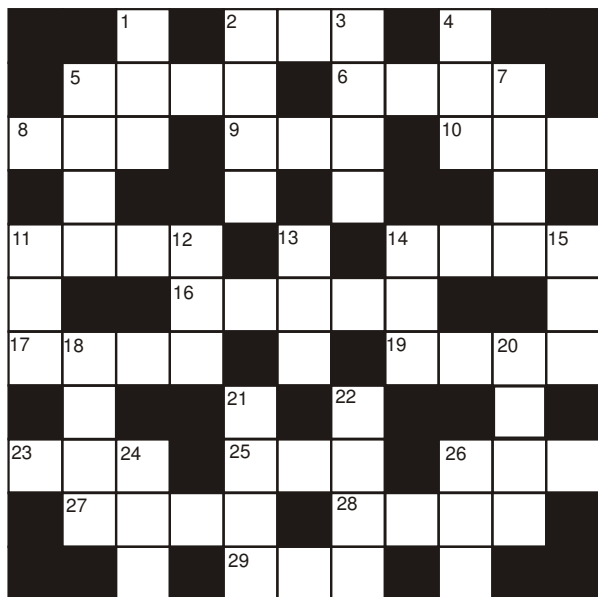
**The next working bee will be on Saturday 2 September**

where we will paint the outside of the building & finish the last 2 security bars for the toilet & wash room. We are looking for trestles & painters planks so if you have access to either of these please let Peter VK4TAA know asap. If we get enough workers at this working bee we will finish the project in 1 day, so please put this on your calendars, Please bring paint brushes, rollers, saw horses, ladders & planks for painting the surfacings fascia's & gutters.

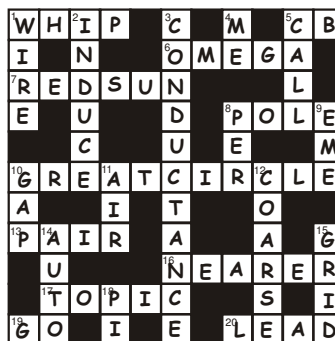


**Secretary Peter and President David discuss progress at the latest working bee**

**R & DRC Crossword No. 13** (Solution next QRM)



**R & DRC Crossword No. 12 solution**



**ACROSS**

- 2 Measure of how well antenna is matched (abbrev)
- 5 Old equipment of doubtful use
- 6 Fox hunting (abbrev)
- 8 First place achieved
- 9 Queensland time (abbrev)
- 10 Pertaining to 2 (Latin prefix)
- 11 Provides grip for control shaft
- 14 Precious metal used in some electronic components
- 16 Measures inclination between intersecting lines
- 17 Period of rotation of the earth around the sun
- 19 Examination
- 23 Delayed offset in time
- 25 Make a mistake
- 26 Short sleep
- 27 Large guyed structure to support antenna
- 28 Switching state
- 29 Unit of current

**DOWN**

- 1 Fires beam of electrons in cathode ray tube
- 2 Pre-arranged radio contact
- 3 Change of quantity with respect to another
- 4 Sum (verb)
- 5 Fix together
- 7 Maximum as in power
- 11 Allows access
- 12 Prevent
- 13 Club meeting held in June (abbrev)
- 14 Obtain
- 15 Used for full stop
- 18 Must pass to obtain amateur licence
- 20 Systematic search
- 21 Inherent current gain of transistor (common emitter)
- 22 Let go
- 24 Vapour
- 26 Group contact

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----- Contest Calendar -----			
SEANET (CW/SSB)	19/20 August	ALARA (CW/SSB)	26 August
All Asian DX (SSB)	2/3 Sept	Worked all Europe DX (SSB)	9/10 Sept
CQ WW RTTY DX	23/24 Sept	PSK31 Rumble (PSK)	7/8/Oct
Oceana DX (SSB)	7/8 Oct	10-10 International Day Sprint (all modes)	9 Oct
Asia Pacific Sprint (CW)	14 Oct	Oceana DX (CW)	14/15 Oct
JARTS WW RTTY	14/15 Oct	RSGB 21/28 MHz (CW)	15 Oct
RAOTC QSO Party (CW/SSB/FM)	23 Oct	CQ WW DX (SSB)	28/29 Oct

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## Notes from the Executive/Club Meetings

### General Meeting, 19/6/06 (after the AGM)

- **Reminder the membership fees are now due.**
- 2006 Call books are available – **See Glenn for your call book.**
- Foundation books available. Cost \$16.50. Get your copy from Glenn.

### General Business

- **Club renovations:** A couple of weeks ago 10 people work tirelessly to complete the following tasks. Further electrical work including the fitting of earth leakage circuit breakers & new switchboard new bench top, additional set of library shelving, Alterations to shelving, installation of the screen & building of upgraded security bars for the windows. Bruce has been fitting architraves & Ron & Ken varnished bench tops & the new library.
- **Jupiter's Community Fund Grant:** The meeting endorsed Reg VK4KMP as the project lead for this submission & Andy VK4KY for project lead on equipment recommendations. Hope to submit later this year.
- The Redcap grant cheque was presented to Glenn & Peter at the council presentation's. \$660 was awarded to the club for painting the club. We are looking for a workforce to help do this work. Mark raised a local church group & will research this option. We will need to perform the work by working bees if we do not find an alternative workforce. Anyone interested in helping, please contact your executive.
- Steve VK4IT reported that our new club web site is now up & running. [HTTP://VK4RC.WE.NET.AU](http://VK4RC.WE.NET.AU) with over 300 hits in the last few weeks. IRLP server has been built & a node has been allocated – 6404. We are still awaiting the card which is in the country but has been a bit allusive. Watch this space!
- Ray mentioned that some members were looking for a membership list for phone numbers & contacts. I have sent this out via email previously, let me know if you need a manual copy.
- John VK4WX raised the Redcliffe City award & the round Australia rally awards. John & Charlie to provide details to Alan to be loaded in the next QRM. We will also load details on the club internet site.
- George – VK4XY asked that he be allowed to continue using the Club call sign VK4RC for FISTS events. Motion carried. George will keep a log of contacts. Thanks George... If you are interested in CW talk to George.
- **Jota:** We have received a reply from the scout contact wondering if we would like to assist with the Samford setup. The meeting felt that they would like to go ahead with our own setup & will need to canvas groups in the area for participation.
- John reminded the group of the Lismore Hamfest in August. We will send the date out closer to the event.
- **Q5:** The members raised the rerunning of the Q5 broadcasts. Steve will investigate the Tasmanian connection (some thought this may be new material) & advise.
- David asked about the progress on donations from businesses in the area. David will talk to Bob, VK4LA as he was working on this one.

- Peter raised that need to get articles in the Redcliffe paper advising that the club was successful for both the gaming commission & Redcap Grant. Over to the new communication manager to work with outgoing officers on this one.
- Ces VK4VKC advised that we been given permission to advertise in the local FM radio station 99fm. John raised that it would be great to add a talk session if possible for the listeners. Over the Steve & Ces to co-ordinate.
- Peter raised that we have been asked to do the Qnews club reports segment on a rotation basis with other clubs. Ces accepted this position, so keep an ear out for him in the coming weeks.
- Peter raised the need to purchase a power / SWR meter for club training & use. Peter VK4TGV can purchase on while coming back through Singapore in the next few weeks. The meeting endorsed the purchase.

### General Meeting, 10/7/06

- **Club renovations:** A couple of weeks ago 7 people work tirelessly to complete the painting of the inside walls plus rebuild the project shelves. The kitchen will be installed the coming Wednesday. The next working bee will be Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July where we will install the air con, install the completed security grills, continue building security grills move all the kitchen equipment back into the kitchen & test gear back on the work benches.
- **Jupiter's Community Fund Grant:** The meeting endorsed Reg VK4KMP & Andy VK4KY to proceed with the submission for the coming rounds.
- **The Redcap Grant:** The executive discussed all the alternative & determined that the painting of the exterior was best done with club members at a working bee due to H&S & supervision issues. We plan to do a 2 day working bee to complete the project on 19/20 August. It is possible we could complete the job in 1 day if we get enough workers. The meeting endorsed the Reg lodging a new application in the Redcap scheme for the coming year for a replacement fridge. Nothing ventured nothing gained.
- **Web site/IRLP:** Steve VK4IT reported that our new club web site is now up & running. [HTTP://VK4RC.WE.NET.AU](http://VK4RC.WE.NET.AU) with over 450 hits in the last few weeks. The IRLP server has been built & a node has been allocated – 6404. We are still awaiting the IRLP Card which is in the country but has been a bit allusive. Watch this space!
- **Redcliffe City award & the round Australia rally awards.** John, Charlie & Steve are to review the 2 awards for recommendations regarding rule changes & or proceed or not based upon costs & an organiser.
- **Jota:** Peter VK4TGV advised we have the coms occurring to all Qld Scout leaders. A special call sign for the event has been investigated which will cost \$17. The meeting endorsed proceeding with this. Peter reported that he will visit some of the local scout troops to further advertise what we are offering. The event this year will be 21/22 October & we will need members support over the weekend.
- **Q5:** Steve has found that there are scripts that can automate the broadcasts. We need the IRLP card to proceed!
- **Donations from businesses in the Area.** David reported positive discussions with some local businesses. More on this as it is confirmed.

- **Communications** : Steve reported that we have an article with supporting picture in the Redcliffe Herald,
- It takes a number of weeks to get this to occur. He advised that he will try for another one after the painting project. Steve & Ces to review possibilities with the local FM radio station 99fm.

### **CELEBRATIONS** (*July/August*)

**Birthdays:** Grace Isdale (harmonic, VK4TAA), Bob Tencatti (VK4TEN), 1<sup>st</sup> July  
Mike Young (VK4TMM), 17<sup>th</sup> July  
Doug McDonald (VK4KET), 21<sup>st</sup> August  
Laurie Pritchard (VK4BLE), 26<sup>th</sup> August

**Celebrations:** John (VK4WX) & Beryl Presotto, 23<sup>rd</sup> July  
Andy (VK4KY) & Donna Wood, 9<sup>th</sup> August  
Arnold (VK4AX) & Daphne Nunn, 18<sup>th</sup> August

**Congratulations and best wishes to all above.**

**Apologies to anyone who has been left out. If you are not the Celebrations List, please give Secretary Peter your details as soon as possible. Peter is currently updating the list.**



**John (VK4WX) with the one that didn't get away – yes, he did catch it!**

