August 2013 VK2 Notes

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This month finds the Oxley Region ARC with their AGM on Saturday the 3 rd. Summerland ARC with their annual SARCFEST on Sunday the 11 th at the Richmond Hill club rooms. The Lighthouse and Lightship weekend and the RD Contest share the same time slot. Everyone is encouraged to be involved in these events.

The Blue Mountains ARC will commence Foundation Course on the second weekend of the even numbered months. The first will be on Saturday the 10 th August, candidates permitting. Check out their web site www.bmarc.org Westlakes ARC are also about to start a Foundation Course on Saturday afternoons. Contact Geoff VK2GL at league@optusnet.com.au Oxley Region ARC will be concluding their Friday night Standard Course this month. They are planning both Advanced and Foundation Courses and request candidates to register now.

Next month in September Waverley ARS has a Foundation weekend planned for the 7 th and 8 th. On Sunday the 15 th Westlakes have their annual field day.

Fisher's Ghost ARC conduct a weekly simplex net on 147.500 Mhz and listen on the High Range repeater 146.825 Mhz for those out of range on simplex.

The Hornsby and District ARC recently commissioned a 70 cm repeater on a Chatswood high rise with a good view of western Sydney. The site is shared with WICEN systems. Check out VK2RHT on 438.350 with its 5.4 Mhz offset so transmit to it on 432.950 Mhz. For FM it requires, and sends, a 91.5 Hz tone. For P25 the NAC is 293. There are plans to link it to VK2RNS on 147.250 in the future.

The next activities of ARNSW will be in September with a Foundation course on the weekend of the 21 st and 22 nd. Assessments on Sunday the 22 nd. The Trash and Treasure Sunday is the 29 th. All conducted at the VK2WI site at 63 Quarry Road, Dural. Check out what major items are on offer on the ARNSW web site www.arnsw.org.au under Disposals. 73 – Tim VK2ZTM.