

# **Minutes - November Monthly Meeting**

Tuesday 14th November 2023, 7.30pm

Diamond Creek Scout Hall, 45 Challenger St, Diamond Creek VIC 3089

Chair: Luke Byrnes

Minutes: Alice Hayllar

Meeting Opened: 7:50pm

#### **Attendees**

Luke Byrnes, Alice Hayllar, Gemma Nash, Andy King, Matt Cengia, Mark Perkins, Kent Cochran, Murray Taylor, Karl Donald, Daniel Gutsell, Phil Adams, Neil Wilson, Frank Rojo

Online: Damien Kuzek, Sarah Thom, Bryan Ackerly

## **Apologies**

Alan Stratford, John Zach, Douglas Ahern, Jenny Adams, Colin Herbert

# Meeting Items

## **Administration**

#### **Chair's Comments**

- Great work on JOTA this year, great to hear so many on the air and everyone's event able to proceed.
- VKJOTA is back online, please submit your JOTA logs if you used a club callsign.
- Thanks to Kent for his extensive documentation of the station setup management at Gilwell.

#### **SC - STEM Comments**

- Echo Lukes comments on JOTA, Boost and other JOTA sites it was fantastic to see
- Welcome to Diamond Creek, our work in progress STEM Centre that we are hoping to get setup to run STEM activities in, including Radio activities.
- There are store rooms that will be set up for STEM with some of Diamond Creeks equipment also being stored. There Venturer and Rover dens upstairs will be set up as a program space.
   Unfortunately we cannot keep the main hall setup for meetings as there are other groups that use the hall.

#### **Previous Minutes**

It was moved by Andy King and Martt Cengia that the minutes of the Scout Radio Victoria meeting held Tuesday 10th October 2023 be adopted. Carried unanimously

#### **Finance**

#### Account

### Balance on 13th November 2023

STEM - State Radio (Bendigo Bank)

\$7,792.34

- Bendigo Bank account balance as at 10th November 2023 is \$7,792.34. Please note this does not include cheque for \$195 that was banked on Monday.
- Busy month for Finance (as well as the rest of the team) with lots of money going in and out for JOTA related expenses.
- There were 2 invoices for the STEM team that were paid into our account and then transferred to the STEM account, these are detailed in the transaction report attached to the agenda.
- There are a few invoices still outstanding for badges and callsigns, if these are for your group can you please follow up. Reminders will be sent out this week.
- We are continuing to chase the outstanding Scout Hike invoices.
- The first payment of our loan from Scouts Victoria is due at the beginning of December.
- We are aiming to have our first GST claim completed by the end of the calendar year (for July 2023December 2023). Once this is done we will have a better process established going forward to do
  regular claims, probably once a quarter. There is also a process of going through our historical
  financial records for previous financial years to claim that GST, though this will take time as our Xero
  environment was not setup to take a GST claim into account when first established.

### Work Health & Safety (WHS)

- Please ensure you remain on top of eLearning modules including WHS as they become due.
- Scouts Victoria Child Safe Training is hoped to be completed by the end of 2023. For those with
  primary roles outside of Scout Radio Victoria, please follow this process within your primary
  registration roles. Scout Radio Victoria registrants should complete their training virtually or in person
  on courses advertised in Be Informed. Please make every effort to attend one of these sessions
  before the end of the year.

### First Aid Course in Box Hill North - Friday 17th November

- Hatfield Rover Unit has opened up their upcoming first aid course to other Scouting members.
- CPR refresher and full First Aid course options.
- https://facebook.com/events/s/hatfield-first-aid-night/189681000852610/

# **Program Review**

#### **JOTA Trello Board**

- Link to the JOTA trello board: https://trello.com/b/p52O1VoN
- Thankyou to those who have already added their reviews. Please add a review card to your list if you haven't done so already.
- Submit your logs to VKJOTA so we can have records of them.

#### **Treetops**

- There were issues making contacts with VHF and UHF, all of the repeaters were very quiet.
  - Phil mentioned that historically we don't use the repeaters without permission from the organisations, perhaps in future we can make contact and get permission, therefore we can publicise and more people may join and reply.
- Around 120 youth in attendence
- There was a nuisance person who was playing music and interrupting, and they followed onto other channels

#### **Boost**

- Thanks to ICOM for their very quick delivery and loan of some 7600s
- Just about all of the kids that came through were able to make at least one contact
- Special thanks to Sarah for everything she did with Boost
- Boost was very happy with us and our ability to scale our activities to numbers of participants
- We ended up with 400 more participants than expected due to other activities not running
- Radio Activ8 was also running alongside JOTA
- Sarah would like to forward thanks to all the radio team members who supported all the STEM activities at Boost and making sure everything was able to run
- STEM introduced Joeys to Soldering and it was very rewarding to see them experience it
- Having the visual of the radio on a screen was really engaging for the youth

# **Program Planning**

### Trello Card Review

Reviewing the following cards - the notes below are not exhaustive. For full updates on items, please refer to the relevant Trello card. Notable items are listed below.

#### **Amateur Events**

CQ World Wide Contest End of November

Ross Hull Memorial VHF-UHF January 2023

John Moyle Memorial Field Day March 2024

Would love to do remote stations for John Moyle

- Early advertising to reach out to campsites to secure some sites
- Trello Card is being created, if you would like to be in charge of a location, or have any questions please reach out to Gemma

# **Training Courses**

#### **Foundation Amateur Courses**

#### 17-19 November @ Camp Warringal.

4 Participants registered to attend this upcoming weekend.

• If you have some time in the evening and can jump on for a little bit it would be nice to allow contacts that are a bit further than across the room. Text Phil if you are able to and let him know which frequency is quiet for you.

#### **Future Courses**

Course calendar for 2024 to be considered after JOTA. Some work to be done to see if we can get the LMS set up by then.

### **AOCP Advanced Theory**

Details are available in the Advanced Licence Trello card

#### **Marine Radio Course**

#### **SRCOP**

9th December at the GWSAC Registrations at https://sresu.asn.au/events/marine-short-range-srocp-course/.

# **Program Enrichment**

# Contesting in 2024

# **Program Support**

# Gilweroo

Radios ordered. Waiting for collection this week on provision of UHF handheld radios, approx  $\sim$ 20, for 17-19/11/2023.

### **Support Development**

#### **Radio Band Pass Filters**

Neil has procured some band pass filters for testing.

• Picked them up tonight and have not opened to look at them yet

• Issues sourcing them from Russia, some people in the US were ordering them from China so going to try them out

• We are happy and able to purchase more and test them, we will need to confirm by December to get them in time for John Moyle

#### **VKS-737**

Our VKS-737 licence for the Barrett radio has been renewed for the year ending 30 November 2024.

# **Additional Business**

Mark: I have my licence coming up in Feb, what happens?

 Phil: They are considering doing a pro-rata refund, but there is not anything concrete on what they will be doing

Kent: We need to send a letter to the ACMA in regards to making all our licences falling into line.
 Marine, CUB, Repeaters, Scout Calls, and Bay Park all on different due dates, we should align them all to be at the same time.

• Kent: Trello Card created for Gilwell / Working Bee on the Tower at Gilwell

• Murray: Photos from Sandi sent to Luke via email

• Dan: We had one girl come up to speak to her grandfather who had a radio, missed him, but he spoke with kids for about 30min

Phil: Sailing event in Gippsland during summer looking at having around 150 youth attending

 Neil: We need to get a program together for Strathmore Venturers on Thursday the 7th December, they didn't provide a lot on what they want other than wanting to learn about radios

Meeting Closed: 9:08

Next Meeting: Christmas Breakup at location TBD at meeting.

First meeting 2024: February 13th 2023, BATCave, Legana St, Mt Waverley.

# **Appendix 1 - Finance Report**

# **November 2023 Meeting**

# **Prepared 13 November 2023**

# STEM - State Radio (Bendigo Bank)

Date	Description	Reference	Debit	Credit	Running Balance
Opening Balance			0	5504.64	5504.64
10 Oct 2023	Payment: 1st The Basin JOTA/JOTI	SRV-1126	0	60	5564.64
10 Oct 2023	Payment: Sunraysia District JOTA JOTI	SRV-1125	0	40	5604.64
13 Oct 2023	Bank Transfer from State Radio to STEM Purchases	0374154055 Starlink Oct 00466161731202	174	0	5430.64
13 Oct 2023	Payment: Stratford's Together JOTA Event	SRV-1132	0	115	5545.64
14 Oct 2023	Bank Transfer from State Radio to STEM Purchases	0374386579 Lamination sheets 00466161731203	15	0	5530.64
14 Oct 2023	Luke BYRNES (854)	JOTA Posters reimbursement	60	0	5470.64
16 Oct 2023	Payment: Lerderderg Region Scouts	SRV-1124	0	890	6360.64
17 Oct 2023	Payment: 1st Warrandyte	SRV-1127	0	30	6390.64
18 Oct 2023	Payment: Emu District JOTA-JOTI	SRV-1133	0	95	6485.64
19 Oct 2023	Bank Transfer from State Radio to STEM Purchases	0375164921 WVic soldering 00466161731203	69.85	0	6415.79
19 Oct 2023	Payment: Cuboree 2023	SRV-1128	0	255	6670.79
19 Oct 2023	Scouts Victoria	Repeater Trailer insurance	183.15	0	6487.64

Date	Description	Reference	Debit	Credit	Running Balance
23 Oct 2023	Payment: Kilmore Scout Group JOTA	SRV-1131	0	215	6702.64
24 Oct 2023	Payment: Castlemaine JOTA JOTI	SRV-1116	0	200	6902.64
25 Oct 2023	Payment: 1st Mt Evelyn Scout Group	SRV-1141	0	64	6966.64
26 Oct 2023	Payment: Kane PARTRIDGE (652)	SRVE-273	0	220	7186.64
26 Oct 2023	Bank Transfer from State Radio to STEM Purchases	0376322229 Starlink 00466161731203	174	0	7012.64
28 Oct 2023	Payment: 1st Mont Albert/9th Box Hill JOTA/JOTI	SRV-1118	0	75	7087.64
30 Oct 2023	Bank Transfer from State Radio to STEM Purchases	0377032330 Postage JOTAbadges 00466161731202	8.85	0	7078.79
31 Oct 2023	Wireless Institute of Australia	Foundation Course Books x 20	500	0	6578.79
01 Nov 2023	Bendigo Bank	Interest	0	0.05	6578.84
02 Nov 2023	Payment: Cuboree 2023	STEM-0020	0	3284.15	9862.99
02 Nov 2023	Scouts Victoria	Funds from SROCP Course - May 2023	0	647.5	10510.49
02 Nov 2023	Payment: Scouts Victoria	STEM-0019	0	1080.89	11591.38
03 Nov 2023	Bank Transfer from State Radio to STEM	0377665088 STEM-0019 00466161731201	1080.89	0	10510.49
03 Nov 2023	Bank Transfer from State Radio to STEM	0377664505 STEM-0020 Cuboree 00466161731201	3284.15	0	7226.34
08 Nov 2023	Payment: Benjamin MORTER (978)	SRVE-270	0	220	7446.34
09 Nov 2023	Payment: Bayside District JOTA	SRV-1139	0	125	7571.34

Date	Description	Reference	Debit	Credit	Running Balance
09 Nov 2023	Payment: Western Vic Scout Radio	SRV-1140	0	273.5	7844.84
09 Nov 2023	Luke BYRNES (854)	Postage for Foundation booklets - Nov Course	52.5	0	7792.34
Total State Radio			5602.39	7890.09	7792.34
Closing Balance			0	7792.34	7792.34
Total			5602.39	7890.09	2287.7