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ZL2VH Newsletter – December 2016



President's Report

Well we rocked and rolled, 730 came to life with a lot of new callsigns, and the power to Climie went out. No damage has been seen at either the Club or up at the repeater site.

We had a very interesting talk and demonstration from Richard ZL2FY about running his IC7100 remotely from anywhere in the World (so long as there is Internet available). About 17 people attended.

We have one new member and Ham to the club, Andrew – callsign to be advised, and one potential member – David, who will sit his test next week.

Our generator has now been serviced and is now a lot easier to start.

Silent Key – Peter Norden ZL2SJ.

Friday night meetings over the Christmas period will be advised via email.

Upcoming Events

Every Friday: Regular Club meeting 7.30 pm. Come along and find out Who's doing What and What is doing Who.

26 Feb 2017: Wallaceville Hill Climb –normally last weekend in Jan. Caravan, STSP repeater and marshalls (hopefully 10) will be needed. **This is our main fundraising effort for the year, so the more members who can assist, the more funds in the bank.** This clashes with JWFD but we have a cunning plan.....

25 February 2017: Jock White Field Day, at Kaitoke Regional Park – caravan, operators, overnight stay if desired. BYO equipment if you want to play outdoors.

73's and good DX.

Mike ZL2NSA.

We are always looking for articles to fill the pages of the newsletter. Please forward anything, no matter how large or small, to the editor – Eric ZL2SET – ericwilby@gmail.com

New Member

As Mike has mentioned, new member Andrew MacGowan passed his exam last week and has confirmed that his callsign is ZL2ASM. I'm sure that we all welcome him to the Club and the hobby. He tells us that a couple of his colleagues are also following in his footsteps, so watch this space. (Ed.).

Branch 63 Repeater Update

There is nothing to report this month.

Miscellaneous

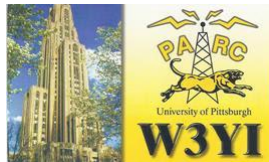
From Malcolm ZL2UDF:

Refer item Pitt Amateur Radio Club “helps airport train for disasters”

(Friend of Jill’s teaches ‘distant learning’ at Pitt from Upper Hutt).

[Pitt Amateur Radio Club Wins Top Award, Builds Global Community](#)

In addition to competitions, the club also helps airports train for disasters, assists aid stations during the Pittsburgh Marathon, and gives students technical and communication skills. [More>](#)



View the Quarter 4, 2016 PDF Newsletter at:

<http://www.westmountainradio.com/pdf/Quarter-4-2016.pdf>

This issue includes:

- * Getting Started With 30m APRS
- * RIGblaster Advantage Linux Drivers
- * Understanding the Com Port Splitter
- * Hamfest Events

John ZL2TWS and Pete G4CDJ both advised about the following series of videos:

<http://www.txfilms.co.uk/txfactor/episode-list.html>

Episode 13 is of interest. Scroll through to 40 mins in and they show you the GB5RC special event station on board Radio Caroline.

So, all that remains is to pass on Season's Greetings to all. Enjoy, be safe and we'll see you all next year.



For the uninitiated, it says:

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS!**

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