

QNEWS - December 16 2018 VK4 ON AIR

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VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2018-2019 WIA YEAR

VK4EZ	(July 6)	R D Sivyer	(vk4apd)
VK4FCMI	(August 26)	Valentine Harbort	(vk4hit)
VK4AER	(advised Aug 30)	Edwina Rooms	(theTARCinc)
VK4AIF	(September 17)	Ivan Fien	(vk4vi)
VK4HPT	(advised Sept 18)	Peter Amos	(theTARCinc)
VK4BDJ	(Oct 6)	David Munn	(theTARCinc)

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Caboolture
<http://www.wia.org.au/clubs/vk4/CabooltureRadioClub/>

The Caboolture Radio Club is hosting an Open Day at the club rooms,
Smiths Road, Caboolture on Saturday 22nd December, 2018, commencing
at 1000 hrs local time.

A warm welcome is extended to all interested Amateurs and their families, and anyone interested in radio communications.

Go along and enjoy a free sausage sizzle and meet some of the Club members.

The Club is now running the only VLF beacon in the world licenced by a government communications authority (ACMA). It is operating 24 hours per day, and is being heard all round the world.

The club rooms are situated in the Caboolture Scout Group property, and can easily be found by looking for the numerous antennas and towers.

John Arnfield VK4JR
Hon. Secretary
Caboolture and District Radio Club inc

(text only no audio supplied 5.10pm Friday)

TOWNSVILLE

<http://www.wia.org.au/clubs/vk4/TownsvilleAmateurRadioClub/>
vk4wit@wia.org.au
po box 333 Garbutt East, QLD 4814
www.tarc.org.au

theTARCinc 2018 Xmas Party - Rescheduled

theTARCinc 2018 Christmas Party and Monster Auction has been rescheduled to happen on Sunday afternoon December 23rd from 2-00pm at the VK4ME Antenna Farm.

The reason for rescheduling?

The left over bit of Tropical Cyclone Owen, a compact tropical low, packing torrential rain with lots of wind and potential waterspouts and tornadoes, will be sitting off the Townsville coast around 1pm on Sunday 16th December. The wise decision has been made to postpone the stellar event to Sunday afternoon December 23rd from 2-00pm when the following fantabulous things will happen -

From 2-30pm the Monster Auction will get underway.

From 4-00pm the BBQ (funded by TARC) will light up.

From 4-30pm the Mystery Pressie Auction will get underway.

Make sure you bring a suitably wrapped pressie for the Mystery Pressie Auction as well as your treasure for the Monster Auction. Bring your eskys full of drink (no glass please), YOUR COMFY CHAIRS, your cozzies if you want to go for a swim and any special dietary

requirements you might need, lots of small change for your Monster Auction and Mystery Pressie Auction purchases and your appetites -

A call for catering numbers is now underway.

Make sure you get your numbers in to Gavin VK4ZZ otherwise you will go hungry !

Contact Gavin on 0427182469 or on the wireless soonest.

(text only - no audio- 5.10pm Friday)

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Hello, I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

One of the family treasures when I was a child was a book, thick enough to kill a frog if you dropped it, called "Cassell's Book of Manly Sports and Pastimes". As you can gather from the title, it covered a range of pursuits, not the least was what we would call regard as science, technology and engineering. Written in the front was a dedication dated before Marconi became a household name.

This Victorian tome introduced me to the theory of the telephone, the Nipkow disk, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nipkow_disk and the properties of selenium to react to light. These were the basics of a television system developed by John Logie Baird which used the mechanical scanning disk to produce an image capable of being transmitted by radio.

Whilst the many discoveries were being investigated overseas, a versatile and prolific inventor was at work in Australia. Henry Sutton was a product of the Ballarat School of Mines and went on to teach there. He also proposed television at a time when Hertzian waves, as radio was known, were just a laboratory curiosity. With many published articles and inventions, Sutton is largely lost in history of invention and science as unlike contemporaries like Marconi and Edison, he did not seek to commercialise his inventions but put his ideas out to the world for others to use and develop.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_Sutton_\(inventor\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_Sutton_(inventor))

If you would like to learn more of one of Australia's great minds and a forefather to our hobby, you can listen to the "Science Show" of the 9th December on the ABC Listen app. You can follow the links in the text edition.

Just for some more entertainment, the weather bureau issued a severe weather warning for the whole east coast of the continent on Wednesday. The zombie Cyclone Owen grabbed our attention in the Gulf of Carpentaria and his wider influence engaged with a low pressure system to the south east of the land mass.

I hope we all remain safe and dry and may quiet conditions soon return and the DX roll in.

We will find out how the mobile phone system and the electricity supply survives and then we have the field trial of our own preparedness. Remember "when all else fails, we still have amateur radio".

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

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