

ZS6KTS NEWS BULLETIN

Good evening, it is Tuesday 16th of January 2024

This is **ZS6KTS**, being operated by Corrie ZS6CDB, with the weekly news bulletin of the Kempton Park Amateur Radio Technical Society.

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Welcome to everyone on frequency. Please stay tuned for some interesting SARL and Club news items.

SARL NEWS:

MAY RAE:

It is time again to prepare for the next RAE in May 2024. The Boland Amateur Radio Club would like to invite you to join in on our countrywide online RAE course, presented in Afrikaans. The 13-week course takes place on Tuesday evenings from 19:00 to 21:00 via Zoom and will start on 13th February. The course fee is a mere R250 per person. For more detailed information, the full schedule, as well as the registration link, please visit bark.org.za/kursus-rae or contact Jannie at zs1jfk@gmail.com

PROPAGATION REPORT:

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at moderate levels. There are currently eleven sunspot regions with simple to slightly complex magnetic configurations visible. There is a high probability for C-class and a moderate probability for M-class solar flares. If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 136. The 10 to 30 m bands may provide some good DX fun, especially in the early morning and late afternoon. Please visit the website spaceweather.sansa.org.za for further information.

DIARY OF SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

15 January – The NARC reopens

17 January – The Provincial schools reopen

20 January – The Sandton ARC Fox Hunting session

31 January – The closing date for AGM motions and award nominations and the registration for the May RAE opens.

CLUB NEWS:

CLUB BULLETIN TIME:

At the January club meeting it was suggested to move the club bulletin time back to 19:30. We will running a vote on the WhatsApp group so please vote either yes or no and we will give feedback next week.

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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP:

With KARTS nearing our financial year end in December you stand to renew your membership. Please note it is only due from the 1st of January 2024. This is just a reminder. Could ALL members fill in the form (honorary members as well). We need to update our records.

Note: Our Club Constitution

“b. All subscriptions shall be due and payable in advance at the beginning of the Club’s financial year, being 1 January. The final date for subscription renewal payment will be the last day of February.

c. A member whose subscription is in arrear shall not have the right to vote until arrears have been paid.

d. A member shall be deemed to have resigned from the Club if, by the last day of February, his subscription renewal fee has not been paid. No membership applications shall be considered as from 1 March until after the AGM.”

Good news. You have several options to complete your membership form.

Option 1 – Fill in attached pdf by clicking in the different fields and submit by clicking on SUBMIT button. (PC option)(<https://get.adobe.com/reader/> click on link to download Acrobat reader for free if you don't have it on your PC.)

Option 2 – Print or fill out form in MS Word (see attached Word document) , Scan the signed document and return via email (or hand it to me at the next club meeting).

Option 3 - Press Ctrl + click on link to open

<https://forms.zohopublic.com/karts/form/KARTSMembershipApplicationRenewal/formperma/mUV6SiNQimYc3wuwhrCsd12TuNyskw5eQG0vTHAUlgk>

Option 4 - Scan the QR code with your phone to open form on your phone.

Corrie ZS6CDB, to give feedback of the January club meeting

Call Pieter ZS6PJE, Technical Manager to give feedback and update:

Call Jacques ZS6MAV, for any AMSAT feedback and update:

Call Johan ZR6JT, Contest Manager to give feedback and update:

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

We have four birthdays for the week. First up is Johan ZR6JT who celebrates his birthday on Thursday and then on Friday it's the birthday of John ZS6LS next up is Francois on Sunday and next Monday it's the birthday of Rene XYL of Johan ZR6JT. Congratulations from all of us hope you have a great day and year ahead.

If we have missed out on your big day, please contact any committee member to update our records.

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ADDITIONAL NEWS:

If there is anyone who would like to share any additional or any specific club news with the listeners, you are welcome to call in now.

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SWOP SHOP:

This is your opportunity to advertise a swop, or any amateur equipment for sale.

Please note that NO prices are to be quoted on air. Only a description of the items and your contact details must be provided.

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That brings us to the end of tonight's bulletin.

You have listened to the weekly news bulletin of the Kempton Park Amateur Radio Technical Society, compiled and read by Corrie ZS6CDB.

Thank you for having listened!