

ZS6KTS NEWS BULLETIN

Good evening, it is Tuesday 1st of October 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:

OCTOBER 2024 RADIO ZS:

The Editor of Radio ZS is finalising the October 2024 issue of Radio ZS and will upload the magazine on Sunday evening 29 September. Thank you for the Field Day articles received.

THE DRAFT 2025 SARL CONTEST MANUAL:

The SARL Contest Working Group has released the Draft of the 2025 SARL Contest Manual for review and comment by the SARL Members. Please make your comments by 23:59 CAT on Monday 14th October and submit it to contest@sarl.org.za. The Sponsoring Clubs have all seen their respective sections of the manual and commented on the contents and dates. Rule changes made from the 2024 Contest Manual have been track-changed to facilitate the review by the SARL Members. Where substantive changes have been made there is an indicative note.

There are three new proposed activities: The SARL Centenary Marathon, the SARL 6 m African DX Entity Challenge, and the ISS Contact Session. A big thank you to the Contest Working Group for all the time and effort in developing the draft.

The document "2025 SARL Contest Manual_Draft-for-comment-V0-4" is available for download from the new SARL Contest Resources web page that can be reached using the following link contest.sarl.org.za

PROPAGATION REPORT:

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels. There are currently 10 sunspot regions with simple to 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 128. The 10 to 20 m bands will, especially in the late afternoon and early evening, provide some good DX fun. For more information, please visit the website spaceweather.sansa.org.za.

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DIARY OF SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

2 to 4 October – Rosh Hashanah

10 October – Kruger Day

11 October – Yom Kippur

CLUB NEWS:

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING:

Please save the date 12 October 2024. We are looking forward to enjoy our monthly club meeting for October on Saturday 12th of October 2024 at our clubhouse in Ysterhout Street, Birchleigh from 14h00 onwards.

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

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

Call Jacques ZS6MAV, for any AMSAT feedback and update:

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

We have two birthdays on our list for the week. Antonette celebrating her birthday today and Pieter ZS6PJE celebrating his birthday on Thursday the 3th of October. Congratulations from all of us, hope you have a great day and year ahead of you.

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

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!