

ZS6KTS NEWS BULLETIN

Good evening, it is Tuesday 29nd of April 2025.

This is **ZS6KTS**, being operated by Anton ZS6WG, 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:

THE OLD SARL WEBSITE IS OFFLINE:

The SARL website, www.sarl.org.za is offline because of a hacker. Many SARL members have received empty e-mails from website@sarl.org.za over the past few days. The SARL IT Team with the ISP decided to close the website to prevent further problems and determine how to solve the problem. This could take some time. Members are reminded that they can visit <https://mysarl.org.za/>, the new SARL website. Registration is required for the Ham Portal and Forum on the website.

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2025 SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION:

Have you registered for the 2025 SARL National Convention yet? The link to the registration form is available at <https://mysarl.org.za/sarl-agm-2025/>, fill in the form if you are attending in person or will be attending the AGM via Zoom (1-way stream). To date, we have 43 attending in person and 38 proxies. Where are all the Gautengers? The online Proxy form is available at <https://forms.gle/3fxaJCva18bQtGV27>. The 2025 SARL National Convention will take place at the Royal Elephant Hotel and Conference Centre, located at the corner of Willem Botha and Wierda Road, Eldoraigne, Centurion over the weekend of 16, 17, and 18 May 2025. The Pretoria ARC is our host.

THE ZS SOTA AUTUMN WEEKEND 2025:

The ZS Summits on the Air Autumn Weekend is just around the corner, taking place on Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 May 2025. The event has been extended to cover the entire weekend to offer greater flexibility for both activators and chasers to get involved. There are currently 10 summit activations planned for the weekend and hopefully there will be a few last-minute additions closer to the time. Please keep an ear open for the activators, most of whom will be operating at relatively low power - working a small pile-up makes the slog uphill worthwhile!

PROPAGATION REPORT:

No propagation report was received for this week, that does not mean there will be no propagation!

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DIARY OF SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

29 April - School holiday

30 April - School holiday and the Sandton Power Hour, with special guest, Quentin, K7DRQ

1 May – Worker's Day

2 May - School holiday

3 and 4 May – the Autumn ZS-SOTA activity

4 May – the Antique Wireless Association SSB Valve QSO Party

6 and 7 May – the Eta Aquarids Meteor Shower

10 May - the May RAE

10 and 11 – Mills on the Air

11 – Mother's Day

CLUB NEWS:

MAY CLUB MEETING:

Please save the date 10th of May 2025. We are looking forward to enjoy our monthly club meeting on Saturday the 10th of May 2025 at our clubhouse in Ysterhout Street, Birchleigh from 14h00 onwards.

Call Jacques ZS6MAV, for any AMSAT feedback and update:

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

We have one birthday on our list for this week. Elaine XYL of Stephen ZS6SKY celebrating her birthday today. Happy birthday 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.

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, read by Anton ZS6WG and compiled by Corrie ZS6CDB.

Thank you for having listened!