

ZS6KTS NEWS BULLETIN

Good evening, it is Tuesday 14th of October 2025.

This is **ZS6KTS**, being operated by Gert ZS6GFS, 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:

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:

A heartfelt thank you to every volunteer who contributes to the running of the SARL and its affiliated clubs. You are doing an amazing job!

During the week, the SARL Secretary received an e-mail from a member comparing the service provided by the SARL to that of the ARRL and RSGB. The ARRL, RSGB, DARC, JARL and many other member societies have staff who are paid a salary each month. Only two people within the SARL receive a salary — Kelley Dorey, our Office Administrator and Andiswa, the cleaning lady. All other work is carried out by volunteers, many of whom have a full-time job, families and other interests. So, to all our volunteers — thank you!!!

RADIO ZS MARCH 1984:

The Editor is looking for a clear photocopy or scan of page 45 of the March 1984 issue of *Radio ZS*. The article is entitled “*New Two-Metre EME World Record.*” The copy of the magazine available in the archive is missing information in the first column. If you can help, please send the scan to radiozs@sarl.org.za.

The Editor has also received a request from radio amateurs in the Netherlands for more Afrikaans articles, as they mention that everything currently published is in English.

DIARY OF SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

15 October – SARL Wednesday 80 m Club Contest

16 October – End of the SARL 6 m Challenge

17 to 19 October – Jamboree on the Air

18 October – October RAE, CQ Hou Koers and the Spring QRP Contest

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REPEATER INFORMATION:

Attention all repeater custodians, clubs, owners and users of repeaters across South Africa. Following last week's call for updates, we would like to extend the request for one more week to refresh and verify the current repeater list. Ideally, we need the following information: repeater frequency, name, location, call sign and a copy of the licence.

It is also important to include the contact person and to indicate whether the repeater is active, linked, or under maintenance. This update will strengthen the national list, which will be published on the SARL website to assist everyone — whether you are planning a trip, preparing for a SOTA activity, or looking for alternative communication options. A reliable, up-to-date list will also benefit Hamnet, especially during emergencies when a repeater in a specific area is needed.

Please contribute to this national effort. If you need assistance with a licence, feel free to ask for help. Once all the information is received, each repeater will be plotted on Google Earth for easy reference and sharing. This data will also be synced with the Repeater Book for everyone's use. Send your information to Phillip van Tonder, ZS6PVT, at zs6pvt@gmail.com, with a copy to secretary@sarl.org.za. Help the Repeater Working Group keep an accurate and up-to-date list.

CLUB NEWS:

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING: Call Corrie ZS6CDB for feedback and update:

Call Jacques ZS6MAV, for any AMSAT feedback and update:

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

We have no birthdays or anniversaries on our list for this week.

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 Stephen ZS6SKY and compiled by Corrie ZS6CDB.

Thank you for having listened!