

## Bunbury Radio Club Meeting November 2022

### Meeting Details:

The November 2022 meeting of the Bunbury Radio Club (BRC) was held at Bunbury Men's Shed on Sunday 27-11-22. The meeting was called to order at 14:00, with 7 financial members and no visitors present.

### Member Roll Call:

#### Present:

Brian Andrews	(VK6TGQ)	Anthony Benbow	(VK6AXB)
Richard Ayre	(VK6PZT)	Robert (Bob) Randall	(VK6TJ / ZRT)
Phillip Jubb	(VK6DEV)	Ian Harwood	(SWL)
Arthur Pirika	(SWL)		

#### Apologies:

Alek Petkovic	(VK6AP)	Steve Chamberlain	(VK6IR)
Nick Vitalone	(VK6NA)	Brian Sayer	(VK6HBS)
Rick Tirli	(VK6LRT)	Neville Green	(VK6JDW)
Danny Walton	(VK6FDRW)	Ben Thompson	(VK6MBT)
Norman Gomm	(VK6GOM)	Stephen Hill	(VK6OZ)

#### Visitors:

None

#### Previous Minutes: 4 min.

Richard Ayre read the previous minutes from the October meeting.

Anthony Benbow (VK6AXB) moved the minutes were accepted, seconded by Phillip Jubb (VK6DEV). There being no dissenting voices, the minutes were accepted.

#### Matters Arising from the Minutes:

The frequency of the monthly meeting was discussed and set for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month.

The next luncheon meeting following the Christmas dinner was discussed.

Richard reported that he had emailed the Men's shed committee regarding the proposal of, at least three BRC members become full members of the Men's Shed. The committee responded suggesting this was an acceptable proposal and thanked the BRCV for the donation of the TV and mount. Richard will liaise further with Brian regarding becoming a member of the Men's Shed.

#### Treasures Report:

Brian Andrew presented the treasures report from Robert Randall.

Current balance for October was: \$12,741.11

There was one subscription payment from one member VK6OZ.

\$33 deposit of raffle money.

There were no outgoing costs.

No matters arising from the treasurer's report.

Bob moved the treasurer report be accepted, seconded by Phillip VK6DEV, there being no dissenting voices the report was accepted.

**Correspondence:**

Email from the Men's shed committee as state above.

One enquiry regarding the next meeting from a member of the public (Brian will respond via email).

**General Business:**

Christmas party. Brian proposed the time and date for the dinner was set for 8pm, Friday Dec 9th at the Boyanup tavern.

Richard proposed that we should resurrect the QSO party on a monthly or weekly basis. After discussing available bands, antennas, faulty radios needing repair, and poor audio reports, it was agreed to start the QSO meetings on the BRC UHF (70cm) repeater, then move on to HF as required. The time and day were set at 19.30hrs each Thursday evening.

Fox Hunt.

Richard sent out some maps of the proposed area via email. Brian reported he had tested the range of the BRC fox and that it was somewhat limited.

Brian gave a summary of the recent PARG meeting regarding foxhunting as a social event and a method of promoting amateur radio.

Brian will report to PARG that BRC don't require to purchase a Fox kit, as Richard and Phil had already built home brew versions of the same Baofeng based fox.

Anthony gave a description of RDF / orienteering vs verses T hunting / vehicle based foxed hunting / hooning.

**Any other Business:**

Nil.

**Next Meeting:**

Fourth Sunday of January 2023 (22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2023) 2pm Bunbury Men's Shed.

Activity: trail run of the fox / foxes on foot in Hay park (bring your RDF gear along).

**Meeting Closed:**

Meeting was declared closed at 1450.

**Technical talk:**

Anthony Benbow (VK6AXB) gave an excellent demonstration of mounting RDF antenna to his vehicle and performed some testing on RDF related equipment brought to the meeting by the members present.