

Bunbury Radio Club Meeting April 21, 2026

Compiled by John Stephens VK6AAG, Secretary

Meeting Details:

The April 21, 2026, meeting of the Bunbury Radio Club (BRC) was held online, using the BRC Discord channel meeting room. This meeting was called to order at 19:00, with 6 financial members and no visitors, present.

Member Roll Call:

Present:

Phillip Jubb	(VK6DEV)	John Williams	(VK6ASK)
John Stephens	(VK6AAG)	Arthur Piraka	(VK6ARP)
Bob Randall	(VK6TJ)	Bob Goode	(VK6ZGN)

Apologies:

None

Visitors:

None

Treasures Report:

Nothing to report at this meeting.

Correspondence:

None

General Business:

- Update on the 70cm Repeater project
- Update on the remote HF Station
- Assessment Day
- AGM prepping for the coming year

Repeater News

Club members report how “really good” our new repeater is sounding on 439.850. that was installed 29 MAR 2026. VK6ASK, John, reports, “I’m loving it. I get it everywhere. I can even key up at the Woosley refinery carpark. Boyanup has fantastic coverage when you get to the highway line then towards Donnybrook, it’s gone.” When the repeater was installed, it displayed some anomalies that have solved themselves over time.

As far as linking the repeater to the ALLSTAR NODE we have a conflict with another node that is presenting technical challenges for us. Stay tuned for resolution. Multiple parties are involved and coordinating.

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Remote HF Station

Considering Shenton Ridge QTH or Nick's QTH with a multiband vertical. We need a discussion with the owners at Shenton Ridge seeking permissions for an HF remote station. An Icom IC7300 is in the plan. Currently in a holding pattern seeking further information. All members keep your eyes open for a deal and a used IC7300

Assessment Day

Booked and on the calendar for the 24 MAY 2026. Currently planning on 4 individuals to take the test and get their ham radio license. The location is the Mens Shed in Bunbury, 1 Parade Rd, South Bunbury WA 6230 at 0900 hrs.

Prepping for AGM

Asking the membership to consider running for office this coming year. Phil is looking for members expressing interest in running for office. Please let him know your intentions.

A rather lengthy discussion on the topic of having Life membership offered. Currently not allowed. VK6ASK, John, made point of having this well defined and recorded officially.

Next Meeting:

Third Tuesday of the month, 16 June 2026.

Meeting Closed:

Meeting was declared closed at roughly 2022 hrs.