

Bayside District Amateur Radio Society Inc

A Warm Welcome to New Members

Congratulations on joining the club. We are thrilled to have you on board! We have a very active and friendly membership. It won't take long before you find your niche.

To help you get started, please come along to our regular meetings and join us on our regular schedules on VHF, UHF and HF bands.

Meetings

Club Meetings – are held on the first Monday of each month at 7.30pm. We are fortunate to meet at the Redland Museum, 60 Smith Street Cleveland. Best parking is via the back door with parking on the small street on south side of the Museum building. Call in is via the VHF Repeater VK4RBS on 146.875 MHz if needed.

Club Coffee Meets - A Morning Coffee Meet is held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the Redlands Sporting Club, Anson Road, Wellington Point, from 10:00 AM.

Tech Nite Meetings - third Monday of each month at 7.30pm (again at the Redland Museum). We are

always looking for members to give a presentation or talk to the Club on areas that are of particular interest to them, or in which they have technical experience or expertise. Take part and listen to others and perhaps even share your story!

Club Nets

- VHF -146.875 MHz Mondays, 7:30 pm local time
- HF - 3.570 MHz Wednesdays, 7:30 pm local time

About BDARS

BDARS is a non-profit organization run by volunteers.

BDARS commenced in 1989 and our members cover a spectrum from working families to retirees and come from varied professions.

The aim of our Society is to advance experimentation and education of Amateur Radio, Electronics and Information and Communication Technology.

We have a remote HF and VHF/UHF station for members use, along with repeaters at our leased club site on Mt Cotton.

Special Interest Groups

We have three Special Interest Groups: Social, DX/Radio and Electronics and Makers.

- The Social Group is hosted by Geoff VK4FK and has regular Coffee meets and arranges a number of other social events.
- The DX/Radio Group is hosted by Scott VK4MGL includes Contests, Field days, DX Nets, Antenna building and more.
- The Electronics and Makers group is hosted by David VK4ZF and looks at building projects and training.

Member's Shop

The Member's Shop makes bulk purchase of coax and connectors and we pass on the savings to you.

- Coax – high quality RG58 and 213 coax, available in lengths to suit.
- Connectors (crimp type) for coax and adapters,

BDARS members have access to use the club-owned test equipment at their home stations. The club maintains a small amount of test equipment for members to use (subject to paying a refundable deposit). This currently includes:

- An earth tester
- A RigExpert antenna analyser.
- Crimping tool for coax connectors

BDARS Committee 2023

If you have any questions about the club, please feel free to contact any of our committee members listed below.

President:

Ralf VK4GCR president@bdars.org.au

Vice-President:

Steve VK4AEG vicepresident@bdars.org.au

Treasurer:

Geoff VK4FK treasurer@bdars.org.au

Secretary:

Phil VK4PG secretary@bdars.org.au

Committee members:

Martin	VK4MCU
Scott	VK4MGL
Eddie	VK4TJE
Russell	VK4DCM
Colin	VK4ZPU
Geoff	VK4GNT

Affiliations

BDARS is affiliated with the peak national Amateur Body, the Wireless institute of Australia (WIA). We are also affiliated with the Radio Amateur Society of Australia (RASA).

BDARS online

BDARS has an online presence via the web page, Online Forum and Face book. <https://bdars.org.au/>.

Our Facebook page is at <https://www.facebook.com/pg/vk4bay/posts/>.

BDARS has a separate Forum that allows Members to discuss technical and other Amateur Radio (Ham) topics, share information and seek advice and expertise from other Members.

For new members please go to <https://bdars.org.au/forum/> and follow the instructions to register to gain access.

Annual Fees

The annual membership fee is \$45 per year which is payable before the Annual General Meeting, held on the first Monday of March each year. Fees can be paid via direct deposit or credit card.

How to Join

A membership application form can be downloaded from the BDARS website <https://bdars.org.au/join-the-society/>. Please complete and return to the Secretary secretary@bdars.org.au.

Amateur Radio Examinations

Experienced BDARS club members conduct classes and mentoring programs for new members to help them gain their radio license or for those members who wish to upgrade their license.

For information about licensing, refer to the Wireless Institute of Australia website www.wia.org.au

Club Repeaters

2 meters - VK4RBS transmitting on 146.875 MHz at Alexandra Hills.

70 cm - VK4RBS transmits on 439.725 MHz. Echolink and IRLP Node 6633 is available. This is a Yaesu Digital repeater and can be used in either FM or Digital mode.

Contact

The secretary at secretary@bdars.org.au.