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This is BK6 ARN News West. We are a community organisation and we've been serving up the best amateur radio news in Australia since 1931.

Good morning. I'm. Very case 6 FCC and welcome to news W what the 9th of June 2024. You know what the show

Hello this is Dennis speak six AKR for the WA VHF group incorporated. I have told you about the garage sales that we are putting on at Wally VK 6 KZ Silent Key Q TH to rehome as much of his collection of electronics and radio gear as we can. They were going to be 3 siles. However, based on the response to the first one, I feel that we only need one more. Everything else, including the C band dish and melt if they're not taken, can become scrap. So next Saturday the 15th is your last chance to acquire a bargain. Mainly smaller items

such as microwave modules, partially completed kits, a few power supplies. Contact me Dennis e-mail on our website for the details. Strictly though, starting at 11:00 AM and ending at 2:00 PM. Please. Last Tuesday's commemoration of six WF centenary was marked by 6 WF journalists themselves in great style and by the club transmitting from Wireless Hill. Thanks to the ones who made it possible and interesting, notably Danielle Bender, the manager of ABC Radio Perth, Richard Rennie, our local educator and historian, the good folks at W Thomas and the ones responsible for the WA TV History website. Among many other resources, we had 10 callbacks during the presentation and many of them shared anecdotes about their association with the ABC's and the importance of six WF in their and their families lives. I would like to thank the WA Repeater group Rob V K6L DB. Off EK6, NGN and the many others who are responsible for maintaining the VK 6 repeater network and stitching things together so that we could reach arbiters from Port Hedland through Katanning to Albany and most likely others will listening on the site at greater distances. Thanks too to our club members who showed faith in and support the project. We intend to do further presentations, there being so much more material available on 6 WWF's history and of course Wally Coxon, whose involvement we acknowledged on Tuesday night. The coal sides VK 106 WF and VK 100 Cox are available on roster and one club member has already put up his hand to activate them. Roster will be set up on the club website. Until next time enjoy the amateur radio journey and let us all make use of the infrastructure and spectrum that we have. Use it or lose it I think is the key phrase. We will be doing more RT Ty sessions and perhaps some s s TV as well which will be advertised on WA Herbs. 73 from Dennis Vico, 6 AKR for the WBA VHF group.

I recently announced a date for Perth Tech and now I'm. Reminding you, the main event of Pertec 2024 is Saturday the 21st of September and we're offering caravan parking on Friday and Saturday nights. It's at the same venue at the Recreation centre in Gigena Amia, 17 kilometres from Row Highway. So your first task if you want to attend per tech, is to set aside the date, block it out in your calendar or diary, or both. Make that date sacrosanct. I don't know what your deistic situation is, but I have 3 weekends in the year that I claim as immutable the John Moyle and. Member state contests and Perth Tech. There are some things we need to do to make Perth tech work as it should. We need people to offer to present on topics of interest and very importantly, we need to raise the funds to cover the costs. Do we run a raffle? If we do, will it make enough money? If we have to charge an entry fee, how much could it be without breaking the will of those who wish to attend? There are so many variables and so much to consider because we have a desire to provide an event at little and no cost to you. Suggestions are always welcome and you can e-mail us at Perth Tech at vk6.net. But that's enough of organiser angst, as they say it'll be alright

on the night. They also say break a leg, but I hope that won't be necessary. In other news, let's think contests. It's not very long until the. State contest which is on the 17th and 18th of August. Of somehow gained myself the task of coordinating a club effort at the Hills Amateur Radio Group. This will involve a 24 hour station at the hard Club rooms in Lesmurdie. Perhaps other clubs will make a similar effort. I'd like that, I'm sure others would too. But club stations aren't the only way that you can participate in these Aussie contests. You can also operate as an individual from home or wherever, so start planning now and set the time aside. These Aussie contests are a good introduction to contesting because of the slower pace and more friendly atmosphere. Finally, thanks to the regular contributors to News West and I'm extending an invitation to the rest of you to join the gang and regularly promote your club and its activities. All you need to do is to send your recording as an attachment to an e-mail addressed to news.w@vk6.net. Did you get that? News W at vk6.net and we'll get it. And Speaking of Ek six.net, this website is maintained by WWI Amateur Radio News and contains resources and information for Western Australian amateurs. Visit vk6.net and take a peak.

Time is passing quickly and as the sun doesn't stop rising and setting, it's time to dust off your calendars. Grab a permanent marker and write it in. The NCG Ham Fest is on again come August 25th, 2024. You won't be sure. Price to find the event at the Seal Jackson Rec Centre at the end of Fisher St. in Bassendean. What else do we love about Hamfests? The raffle. This year the raffle will have 4 prizes and Andrews Communication voucher worth \$2000, a Yaesu FTM 300 six \$199, a Yaesu FT70DR worth \$299 and if case you isn't your brand there's \$100 voucher from Horizon Antennas. Tickets are \$5 per entry. Available for sale across NSW. The NT, Queensland, SA, Tasmania, Victoria and of course WA You'll have to wait another month or two for the raffle start date of the 25th of June, with the raffle ending at 12 noon on the 25th of August at the NCG Hempfest. Start saving with full details appearing on the NCG website before the raffle starts. I'm Glenn Victor, K6PAW for the Northern Corridor Radio Group 7/3

This is WAG news for the 9th of June. The WAG meeting is tomorrow night. Tomorrow night, Yes, you heard that right. Tomorrow night is the WAG meeting and the Preloved Equipment sale. If you've not checked out our web page, time to go there at www.org.org dot AU. It'll say the next meeting is to be held at #10 Helen St. in Bellevue, just around the corner from the Clayton St. exit of the Row Highway for buyers. Doors open at 6:30 PM. Sellers can set up from 6:00 PM or maybe slightly earlier. Sellers \$5 a table. Buyers gold coin donation. We're doing hot dogs well. Mitches and his ex-wife L Christine has cupcakes at the meeting. We will have a chook raffle, \$5 per ticket. Prizes will be drawn on the night. All

funds raised will go to maintaining and expanding their WA repair network. The June meeting will begin, as always, at 7:30 PM and is free to attend. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available for the usual gold coin donation. The meeting will end by 9:00 PM as we need to clean. In the hole and sweep up by 10:00-ish. I'll be back later in the broadcast with a couple of quick interviews I did with wild committee members at a recent working day. The June meeting and junk sale is tomorrow night. This is news W your amateur radio news on VK 6 ARN originating on the news W linked repeater network and HF relays. Right, so here we are down at the Scout Training Centre, Manjal, and this is a wag working bee to put on the roof on our new container and we've had a wild and woolly weeks past week and we thought well before the next wild and woolly we'd better get in and finish putting the roof on. I've got Adam the K6XR with me. You were roped in yesterday by Colin. Yep. And you know you've you've done a couple of working bees with this project so far. How are you finding it all? Ohh, it's good fun. It's good to get in there and get on the tools. Anthony is always and Colin are always very great with the fact that they got all the tools and all this stuff organised. So I'm just here to lend a hand. Many hands make light work. Yes, indeed, thank you. I can see Anthony, he's wanting a bit of a hand, so we'll let you go. And about 15 minutes later I managed to catch up with Anthony on a break. Got another member of the wire crew at say, Working Bee to put on the roof for the new award container. Hello Anthony, We case 6 AXB. Good morning Mark, how are you? I'm good and we've got a a reasonable day. We've had weather all of the week and there's weather to come, but ohh, you know, every time we've tried to do this little bit by little bit, we have just had that break in the weather, which has been great. Yeah. Look, I think we would like to get this done earlier in the year when it was quite fine and sunny, but then we might have all been sweating a bit too much. But no, it's great that everyone's down here today, Adam Collin and ourselves obviously just like to pay tribute to the Scouts for allowing us to house the container here at Manjal since we had to move it from the Hillview Peter Hughes Centre location and also to one of the Perth based radio businesses, CSE, who's donated the container. It was surplus to their requirements, but they were able to let us move it and reposition it. So very grateful for their support in allowing us to do that. Our existing container is not in the greatest shape. This one's a bit better and more sound, so it should keep our materials dry secure. Everything else also allows us to have a long overdue sort out of what's in there because some of the second hand stuff we've been donated over the years probably is a bit past its best. We can focus on what's useful and maybe move some of the other stuff on. Possibly an upcoming junk sale. Well, unfortunate that the old container has been broken into a couple of Times Now and we've lost some of the stuff that is expensive coax, etcetera. Well, to be fair, a lot of what was unfortunately taken was stuff that we may have been donated in the past as well. Regrettable that anything was lost, but a lot of it was a second hand material, a good second hand material. But yeah, it's just it

got the expense of re securing the container, replacing locks and things like that. This location is a bit more out of the way, so don't anticipate any problems there, but our new container is very secure. It was designed to be a secure storage and still got all those features in place. We can hear Colin fixing a little bit of the roof structure. That we had to break and pulling it apart, almost all of it came off in one go, but just that one pylon that wouldn't budge. Yeah, Collins applying his skills to welding it up. But yes, as you mentioned, Colin working. I should go back and do a bit. I'm just gonna sort out some of the roof shading, which is a bit like shuffling a deck of cards, only bigger. Thanks, Mark 7. Thank. Thank you for your time, Anthony. And Anthony, BK6XB. WAG Secretary this year and this has been marked the case. 6LZ4 WAG news.

There's been a bit going on in the last week or two. I recently travelled to Maitland in NSW for a meeting of the RASA board. In case you're a new kid on the block, RASA is the Radio Amateur Society of Australia. We spent a fair bit of time discussing what was important for us to spend our energy on in the next several years, and I'll talk to you about those as things move along. During the week, Rasa announced the launch of the Foundation Level Study Guide. The fruit of a more than 12 months long project, the study guide will prepare candidates for a foundation level amateur radio exam. This study guide is delivered online in true electronic magazine format. The study guide utilises live links to video and online information sources as well as on screen illustrations. The greatest strength of an online publication is that it's always up to date, whereas print media, with its static content, can be out of date virtually before the ink dries. The foundation level study guide from Russia is free. Yep. 0 zilch nada. It'll cost you nothing like other Rasta resources. It's free for everyone. Races free study guide, and the recent ACMA decision to make exams free greatly reduces the cost of entering the hobby. The Foundation Study Guide is available as an on-screen book and a PDF download, and will soon be available as an ebook via Kindle and a printed paperback via Kindle Direct Publishing. Now if you want to know more, visit the RASA website vkradioamateurs.org. Did you get that? VK Radio amateurs.org One big long word. VK Radio amateurs.org no spaces for links to the study guide and other free resources for amateurs. I'm Bob Vicki, 6 POP, and I'm the Vice President of Raza.

Hi, Just a little note about VK 6 RG and the WAG technical and general net, having it run every Sunday morning on VK 6 RLM. That's 146 decimal 750 or channel three in the old money and it starts at 10:30 AM this morning, of course, if you're listening in the evening. It's next week.

If you happen to listen to the right part of the 80 metre band on a Tuesday evening, you might hear something that sounds like this. The CQRS net has been running every single Tuesday for the last two years and has been under. Believably popular, there are usually half a dozen, a dozen and a couple of times up to 18 stations popping in and out when they can over the four or five hours. The aim is to encourage new CW operators to have a go at slow CW in a safe and really friendly environment. With slow speed and lots of mistakes are par for the course. It's all about having a go, starting with the basic call sign and RST exchange, then over time getting better and better. The net also attracts its fair share of old timers who enjoy helping others to have a go or just to enjoy the banter. So this might be just the opportunity you have been waiting for to have a go at transmitting on CW or perhaps just to stop the contacts rusting up on your key. Doesn't matter whether you're brand new to the code or if you're an old timer who would like to have a bit of fun and help encourage new operators by having simple, safe Qsos at their speed, we'd love to have you join in. The net starts at 0900 Zulu every Tuesday on 80 metres between 3540 and three, 570 kilohertz and their stations in the West, East and in between. Listening out for your CQRS Call For more information and to receive our weekly CQRS Rag Chew newsletter. Contact me Mark V K6QI via my e-mail address on grz.com or you can e-mail me direct mark dot., at icloud.com that is. MAR k.b.osma@icloud.com Too much switch mode power supply hash on 80 metres. This might be the incentive to do something about it with the cheap noise canceller costing less than \$100.80 meters. Could be easier than you think. So once again, Tuesdays from 0900 Zulu until late between 3540 kilohertz and three 570 kilohertz. Cheers from Mark the K2K I and VK6QI.

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Foundations of amateur radio. Today I want to talk about something that might feel only tangentially related to our hobby, but it likely affects you. Recently, the ARL announced that it was in the process of responding to a serious incident involving access to our network and headquarters based systems. A day later, it sought to assure the community that the aerial does not store credit card information and they do not collect Social Security numbers, and went on to say that their member database only contains publicly available information. Five days after that, it's continuing to address a serious incident involving access to our network and systems, and that several services, such as Logbook of the World and the ARL Learning Center are affected. But lots of data is secure, over a

third of the latest announcement more than a week ago. Was to assure the community that the July QST magazine is on track but might be delayed for print. Scribers, regardless of how this situation evolves, its unwelcome news and much wider reaching than the ARRL, LOTW or Logbook of the World, is used globally by the amateur community to verify contacts between stations. The IAU, the International Amateur Radio Union, is headquartered at the Avril office. I've been told that I should have empathy and consider that the April is only a small organization that may not have the best of the best in technology staff due to budget constraints and finally that log W being down for a few days. Is not going to kill anyone. All those things might well be true, and mistakes can and do happen. The Avril has been in existence for well over a century, bills itself as the answer to when all else fails, and has even registered this as a trademark, but hasn't actually said anything useful about an incident that appears to have occurred on the 14th of May. Now, over two weeks ago. By the way, that date is based on the Uptime Robot service showing less than 100% uptime per day on that. Ohh. Avril hasn't told us when this all occurred. It didn't even acknowledge that anything was wrong until two days later. This raises plenty of uncomfortable questions. What information did you share with the ARRL when you activated your Lowe account? For me it was over a decade ago. I jumped through the hoops required and managed to create a certificate. What information I shared at the time I have no idea about. As I've said before, I do know that security was more extreme than required by my bank even today, and the level of identification required was, in my opinion, disproportionate to the information being processed by the servers. Lists of amateur stations contacting each other. Something to take into account on the 30th of October 2013, Norm W3IZ wrote in an e-mail to me. Quote data is never. Moved from Lot W, End Quote. I have no idea how much or which specific information that refers to. If you use the AWL Learning Center, what information did you share if you're a member of the ARL or you purchased something from their online store? What data was required and stored? Is the data at the IAU affected? What infrastructure other than the offers do they share? Well, I've been talking about the a double barrel. This same issue exists with all the other amateur services you use. Qcom, EQT, LCC, Ethernet club, Logog, your local regulator, your amateur club, your social media accounts, all of it. What information have you shared? Do you have an Internet birthday address and middle name? Recently I've received a meme. It showed just two individuals talking about life, the universe and everything they discuss their favorite books, their first movie they ever watched, the name of their pets. What Car they learn to drive in, their interests, and other things you talk about when you meet someone new and interesting. The last image of the meme shows the heading Security questions answered. Welcome Amanda O, My question is this. What's your favorite colour and your mother's maiden name? Seriously, next time you access a service online, have a look at what data that service has when you sign up. Consider the requirements for the

service and how much information that's worth. Do you really need to send your birthday, your gender and your physical address with a copy of your passport or another government approved identity document? If you're being asked for the name of your first pet to consider answering something unique. In my case, I generate a random string of characters to use as an answer for each Security question. The A double L incident is the tip of the iceberg. This problem isn't going away, it's only going to get bigger and happen more often. Final observation with the potential of a global shopping list for thieves coming out of the database at the April Will you be sharing your station address next time? And if you're subject to the GDPR, the General Data Protection Regulation, perhaps it's time to ask your online service providers just exactly what they're doing to protect your information. And that includes the a double RL. I have sent 2 emails to the April equation to these questions but have yet to receive an acknowledgment, let alone answers. By the time this reaches you, perhaps the ARRL has answers to my questions and more. I'm I'm on a Victor K6FA mar AB.

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You might notice that News West has been low. Time for content lately and I've been reading a lot of repeat stories, but you can help us to change that by sending your stories or contributions through to news.w@vk6.net.

Good morning fellow miners and shortwave listeners. This way again. This is me again for the 9th of June 2024. What do I have for you today from Kai? I have he's looking for Wandered and ICOM 7000 and Seven 000. If you look at the 7100 but the. But it doesn't directly fit onto it. Apparently it also is looking for a Kigu X6100 or equivalent HF and six metre transceiver with tuna and zygo. I presume is forex pronunciation or thereabouts. It's spelt XIEG uniform I think pronounces aigoo and it's an X6100. He's looking for HF 6 metre with tuna. If you can help Kyle with either the ICOM 7007 thousand 100 or Zigu X6 100. Please contact him, his e-mail address is weak. VK 6KSJ at westnet.com dot AU. That's Kai VK 6KSJ at that same address. Westnet.com dot AU Thank you. The next bundle comes from Rex and he says the following. Hello Roy, I have the following items for sale in good condition. He has a Ken Pro KR400 rotator and controller with the manual asking \$10 only. Hmm OK I'll I'll go with that. That explains it. It's a rotator controller only with manual. It also has a diamond X302 meter 70 centimeter vertical antenna, \$40. Is a Welts antenna

switch. It's a model CH20 Alpha \$25. There's a Revex, I'll say that again, a Revex S20 antenna switch \$25.00. It also has an Access Alpha M1034A mobile magnetic base \$40. Is a new DXE dash LL45014 point 5 ladder line of 35 dollars 14.5 metres ladder line. There's also new 45.5 metres of 213 carat still on the reel 90 dollars \$90.00 and you may contact Rex VK 6S November telephone 0480450055. Again that's Rex Hickling and week 6S November 0480450055. The next bundle comes from Barry VK 6ADI. He still has the. Fine, so I all the. So if I check. And they 3C3200 One 44432 mobile transceiver, the Union 40 channel UHF CB is the grid. Dear Bob. Salida 1.5 to 250 megahertz \$150 at H3 Junior HF, Junior HF antenna Beam antenna HF 2015 and \$1000 and when my need a little bit of tail LLC. It also is a ultra high frequency visual signalling transceiver. In other words, it's a World War 2 Royal Navy signal lamp. It's in the visual spectrum and you can send messages across the paddock with that. It's a collectors item and the office will be considered and that can send an image of it if you so desire. And you can contact Barry on his electric mobile phone 04289597710428959771 or his e-mail address which I don't have in front of me at the moment. Because here somewhere, no, it's not. Doesn't matter, I can. Remember, it's bravojuliet.burns@bigpond.com. bravo.juliet.burns@bigpond.com and that's all I have for you. But disjointed. But anyway, we got through it I think and wish you well and hope you're enjoying the the winter and the cooler weather. I'm not. But anyway, that's the way it goes. You gotta put up with the good with the bad. Anyway, this is Perth. Uh, no it's not. It's week 6X Victor now it's signing off for this week's helpline. If you have any items for next week, please contact me and I will put down for you. This is VK 6373.

Hi there, it's Clinton K6 FCC back with you And did you know that news W is now on YouTube? Type in.youtube.com/ at newest weekly podcast. That's KZ7YC. OHH. And before I go, I'd like to thank those watching on YouTube or a TV, the readers and you for listening. I'd also like to thank our team, the broadcasters, and those submitting content each week. Play standby now for callbacks after the broadcast. We'll head over to the VCA six.net website and fill out the forms so we know how many people are listing each week. MU

Text Sent in by Roy VK6XV Here

AMATEUR RADIO Disposals HELPLINE 9th June 2024

PLEASE Have your HELPLINE requests into me by 07:00 hrs WST Friday to be in the next broadcast to email; <roy.watkins@bigpond.com> or (vk6xv@gmail.com)

Contact me and keep our equipment in Amateur hands, 73 Roy.

Please enter "DISPOSALS or HELPLINE" in the subject

Here is this weeks Amateur Radio Disposals helpline.

Wanted:

Icom 7000

vk6xv@bigpond.com

I'd go the 7100 but the remote head does not directly attach to the radio, the photo's and video's I've seen show that it does on the 7000.

Xiegu X6100 or equivalent portable HF+6 with tuner.

Kai vk6ksj@westnet.com.au

Hi Roy, welcome back, we all missed you.

I have the following items for sale ...

Rex Hickling < rexmau39@gmail.com > Wed, 5 Jun, 19:22 (3 days ago)

Hello Roy I have these items for sale, all in good condition

Kenpro KR 400 rotator controller only with manual \$10

Diamond X300 2m/70cm vertical antenna \$40

Welz CH20A Antenna switch \$25

Revex S20 Antenna switch \$25

Axis AM1034A mobile magnetic base \$40

New DXE-LL450 14.5m Ladder line \$35

New 45.5 m 213 Coax still on reel \$90

Rex Hickling VK6SN 0480 450 055

IC3200 144/432 mobile transcerver Ser No. 01169 \$300.00

Uniden 40 channel UHF CB \$100.00

Grid Dip Oscillator 1.5 - 250 Mhz \$150.00

TH3 Junior HF 20/15/10 Beam \$100.00

Disembled and Complete with all elements, traps etc.

Needs clean up and rusted bolts replaced....

Will send images of the items if required...needs TLC

No change Roy in the contact numbers and email address.

73's Barrie b.j.burns@bigpond.com

A World War 2 Royal Navy Signal Lamp

A collectors item... any offers will be considered.

Will send an image of it...

Thanking you

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