

# ANODE

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## Special points of interest:

- The Anode gets a face-lift
- The new committee
- The theme for the year
- The Club needs a new logo

## Anode Gets New Face & Features

The club has a new theme for this coming year. The application of computers to Amateur Radio.

The Anode will now be published electronically.

- It is going to be emailed to members who have email.
- It will be available on the club's web site.
- It will be available at the meetings, both on the notice board and in

printed form.

A copy can be emailed to you right now - if we have your email address and your subs are paid up for the year.

dio that you would like discussed or presented in one of our meetings, please let us know.



**The Practical Application of computers to Amateur Radio**

If you have a feature or function of computers in Amateur Ra-

## You Got the Committee you deserve!

The new club committee had its first meeting last Thursday. OM John, the vice chairman suggested a theme for the coming year of

“The practical Application of Micro-Computers to Amateur Radio”. This was received very well by the committee and accepted. It should

stimulate interest not only in our members but also the younger generation of electronic experimenters.  
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Personal computers have become a commodity over the last decade. Second hand computers are available for the price of a family meal. Their application to Radio Amateur operations is multi-functional.

The first talk of the season is "The Practical Application of Micro-Computers to Amateur Radio" on the 14th. It will be

presented by OM John ZS6BZF. During the coming



**Computers everywhere!**

months we hope to present more talks and projects con-

cerning the use of a computer in Amateur Radio. We shall provide suitable circuits, diagrams and instructions for all hams to use. These will appear in the Anode and in print.

We shall also collect together the huge amount of ham software and put it onto a CD Rom. This CD will be available at club functions for all hams to purchase.

## Club Needs New Logo

The Club needs the logo or emblem redesigning. This is to improve the quality of the logo on all our publications. To achieve this OM Bill suggested that we hold a competition for the best logo. So if you have a design in mind get cracking and lay it out. Then send it to us in any electronic format such as Word, Word-

Perfect, Publisher or any of the MSPaint graphics formats.

**"OM Bill suggested we hold a competition for the best redesigned West Rand Logo"**

## West Rand Boot Sales a big hit with Amateurs

The West Rand Club has held a great many 'boot sales' at the club house recently. They have been very well attended. Food has been provided and eaten. A lot of junk has changed hands. A vast num-

ber of hams have gone home happy.



**Mini-notebook for mobile amateurs.**

## Station X now open to the Public

During my recent visit to the UK I got a chance to visit Bletchley Park. This estate of 58 acres was the decryption centre for the Allied Forces during the Second World War. It was the 'best kept secret of the Second World War' as nobody talked about what went on there after the war for over 30 years. My visit was on a



**Bletchley Park - June 2000**

warm sunny Sunday. Bletchley Park is only 47 Miles from London and easily reached by rail from Euston. A short walk from the station along a foot-path and you are at the front entrance. For more details check out the web site :-

**[www.bletchleypark.org.uk](http://www.bletchleypark.org.uk)**

## Technical Meetings

The technical, or better known as "The Bring And Fix" Meeting is held at the Club House starting at, 19:30, on the first Monday of every month. This meeting is aimed at those of you who would like to learn about anything from TVT's to PIC's or to discuss any technical aspect of Amateur Radio (but not limited to). All are

welcome even if you would simply like to come along and socialise.

**"Bring and fix meetings generally turn into social meetings as hams discuss their technical and other problems"**

## General Branch Meetings

The Club holds its branch meeting on the Second Monday of each Month, starting at 19:30. The meeting is hosted by BILL VAN ZYL - ZS6REV, the Club Chairman. Come along and "get involved", after

all, the club will not function very well without its members. All are most welcome and we will endeavour to make these meetings most enjoyable for all.

Pub Grub in the form of Hot-

dogs will be served after the main meeting.

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**Bulletins** (Sundays at ...)  
11h15 Start call in of stations  
11h30 Main bulletin start

**Frequencies**  
145,625 MHz (West Rand Repeater)  
10,135 MHz (HF Relay)

**Radio Amateurs do it with more frequency!**

**We are on the Web**  
[www.zs6wr.org.za](http://www.zs6wr.org.za)

### The Committee

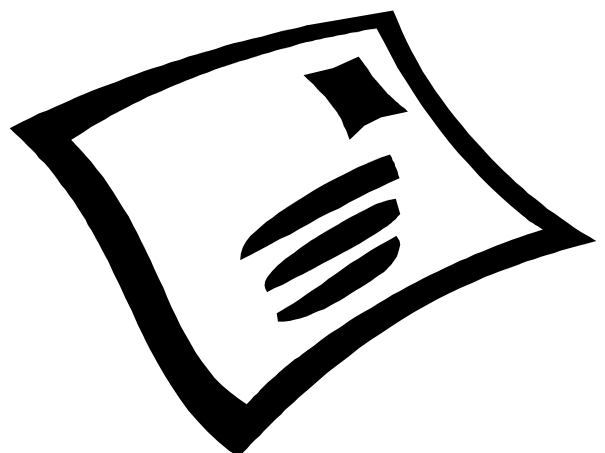
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