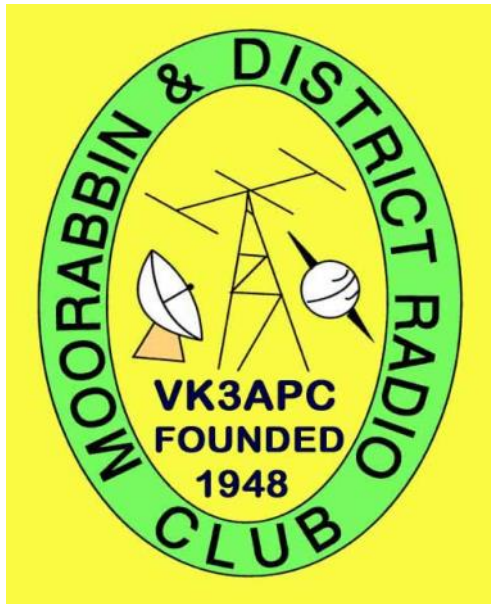
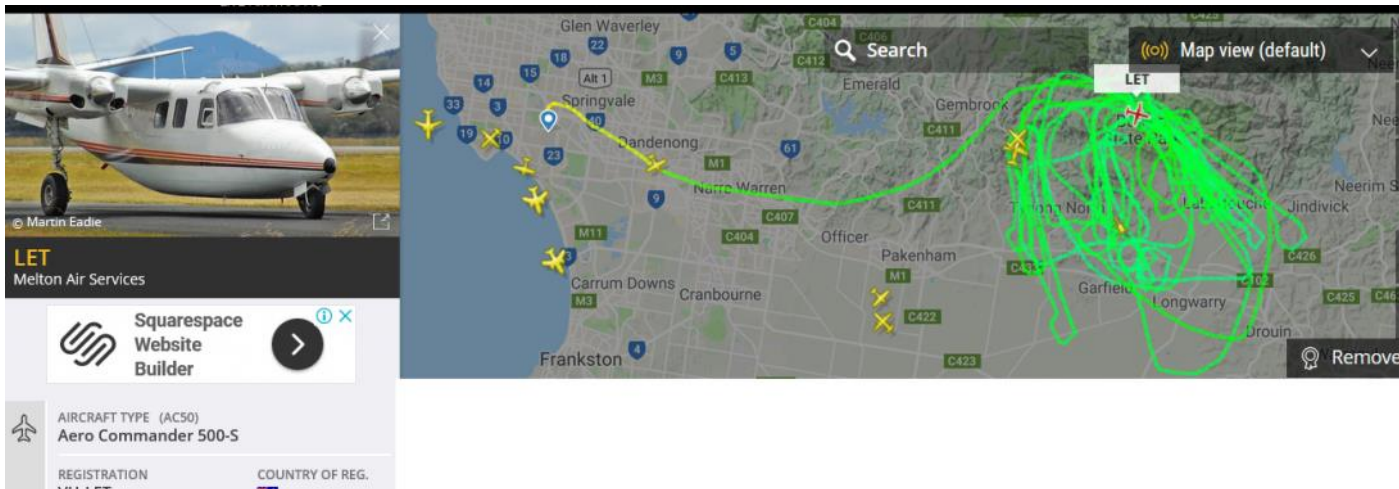


APC NEWS



Club News
Coming Events



As this magazine was being produced dozens of bushfires burned out of control in the State. Above is a plot of the track flown by one of the command aircraft. Heavy fire bombers, including 737s , C30s, RJ85's and Elvis's sister Heavy Lift helicopter have all been seen scurrying to and fro to collect and then drop water. The editor has been in the Bunyip State forest recently and hopes it will get rain soon to aid the recovery.

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QTC

The magazine is now being produced on the basis of recording events for historical purposes. It is not sustainable on the basis of either readership or volume of submitted material.



This does not make the editor happy, as can be seen on the left, but it seems a common state for club magazines as members adopt social media for keeping in touch and telling what they have done.

If we are to have a magazine with articles it is up to the membership. One tired old editor is not enough.

In the meantime a record of **current** events known to the editor will be published. If you are concerned the activity you were involved in does not feature that is because no material reached the editor. A few written words and a photo is all it takes.

Merely telling him you did something will not produce an article or photographs in the magazine.

73, Ron, VK3AFW,
APC News Editor.

COMING UP

Friday 8th March 2019. SWR Meters you can build. Ron VK3AFW.

16 March John Moyle Field Day. Possible joint activity with Scouts.

Friday 12th April 2019. TBA

Saturday 11th May M&DRC Hamfest. **No meeting on Friday 10th May.**

Sunday 19th May JOTT. Royal Park.

Friday 14th June 2019. TBA

22nd and 23rd June. VHF/UHF Winter Field Day.

9th August. AGM

17th 18th August 2019 International Lighthouse Weekend

17th 18th August 2019 Remembrance Day Contest

5th 6th October Phone Section Oceania DX Contest, CW section the following weekend.

Friday 13th December 2019 Christmas Party

TBA Joint Parks/SOTA Scouts activity

Updated 3 March 2019

M&DRC ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY

It seems nothing happened after the Anniversary Lunch until February.

Although not strictly a Club Activity, the Annual Hotham Summit Weekend on the first weekend in February is organised by Club Treasurer Brian VK3BCM with two or three other club members participating. This year there were 17 callsigns including two ZS's. active. The story with photos will be in the next AR magazine. Well done Brian.

The Annual VK3 SOTA Conference was held in our clubrooms on 16th February. It was targeted at the new SOTA or Park activator of which only two attended. The rest of the audience were either speakers or M&DRC members with experience. The slides of the talks will be available on OZSOTA@groups.io

The Friday night talk on 8th February was titled "A long Weekend at Mt Hotham" and was described as a loosely organised talk about SOTA Activations at the Mt Hotham event. It was presented by Ron VK3AFW to a small audience.

Ken VK3CEK has proposed a series of trips for the Tuesday morning Coffee Quaffers. We need people to organise these outings. Any volunteers?

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