

## 2013 REMEMBRANCE DAY CONTEST – SAT 17 & SUN 18 AUGUST

### JOIN IN THE RD – HELP VK6 GET BACK ON TOP

The 2013 RD contest is in two weeks time, August 17 and 18. This is the second year of the new rules, which open up opportunity for greater participation, particularly on the HF bands. VK6 are a leading state, winning nearly every RD in the last decade – but last year we came second, in a close race with VK7. To get back on top, the key is participation – dust off your station and join in, on whatever band/s - the RD is a friendly contest, and there will be no shortage of stations to work!

<b>SUGGESTED CALLING FREQUENCIES - 2013 REMEMBRANCE DAY CONTEST</b>				
<b>BAND</b>	<b>CW / [secondary]</b>	<b>RTTY / [secondary]</b>	<b>SSB / [secondary]</b>	<b>FM / [secondary]</b>
160m	<b>1.825</b> MHz (+ or -) [1810 to 1840]	<b>1.805</b> MHz (+ or -) [1.800 to 1.810]	<b>1.850</b> MHz (+ or -) [1840 to 1875]	-
80m	<b>3.520</b> MHz (+ or -) [3.500 to 3.700]	<b>3.630</b> MHz (+ or -) [3.620 to 3.640]	<b>3.620</b> MHz (+ or -) [3.535 to 3.620]	-
40m	<b>7.020</b> MHz (+ or -) [7.000 to 7.300]	<b>7.035</b> MHz (+ or -) [7.030 to 7.040]	<b>7.050</b> MHz (+ or -) [7.040 to 7.300]	-
20m	<b>14.020</b> MHz (+ or -) [14.000 to 14.350]	<b>14.090</b> MHz (+ or -) [14.080 to 14.095]	<b>14.150</b> MHz (+ or -) [14.112 to 14.350]	-
15m	<b>21.020</b> MHz (+ or -) 21.000 to 21.450]	<b>21.080</b> MHz (+ or -) [21.070 to 21.125]	<b>21.250</b> MHz (+ or -) [21.150 to 21.450]	-
10m	<b>28.020</b> MHz (+ or -) [28.000 to 28.200]	<b>28.100</b> MHz (+ or -) [28.050 to 28.150]	<b>28.490</b> MHz (+ or -) [28.300 to 29.100]	<b>29.200</b> MHz [29.225]
6m	<b>52.050</b> MHz / [52.080]	<b>50.235</b> MHz (+ or -) [50.220 to 50.240]	<b>52.100</b> MHz [50.200]	<b>53.500</b> MHz [53.400]
2m	<b>144.060</b> MHz [144.070]	<b>144.350</b> MHz (+ or -) [145.600/146.600 FM]	<b>144.100</b> MHz [144.200]	<b>146.500</b> MHz [146.550]
70cm	<b>432.070</b> MHz [432.080]	<b>432.330</b> MHz (+ or -) [433.900 FM]	<b>432.100</b> MHz [432.200]	<b>439.000</b> MHz [439.100]
23cm	<b>1296.200</b> MHz [1296.100]	<b>1296.230</b> MHz (+ or -) [1294.900FM]	<b>1296.100</b> MHz [1296.200]	<b>1294.000</b> MHz [1294.800]

RD rules and information can be accessed at  
<http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/rdcontest/>

#### **In summary, the main features of the new rules are:**

- Different start and finish times: the 2013 RD starts at 0300Z (1100 WAST) on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and finishes at 0259Z (1059 WAST) on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2013.

- Contacts within call areas are permitted on all bands, ie: VK6 can work VK6 on all HF bands.

- **Contacts on 160m score two points. CW / Digital mode contacts are all double points. All contacts between 0100 and 0600 (WA time) are triple points.** Set the alarm, get up early!

- Repeat contacts are now only allowed every three hours – not every two hours, as the old rules.

- The sequential number exchange is no more, instead stations give same serial number to all contacts – the number of years you have been licensed. (Eg: if you've been licensed 5 years, RST report and number would be 5/9 005). For a multi-station, the longest-licensed operator's years.

- Phone modes have been combined for each band, ie: can't work the same station on both SSB and FM within the 3 hours. Digital modes also are combined, eg: CW & RTTY count the same.
- For individual stations, operators may not operate multiple callsigns, only one callsign shall be operated for the duration of the RD. One single log is fine, no need for separate HF / VHF logs.