

From the WIA Board Table

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Editorial

As well as the usual board business, this month's Board meeting focussed on the preparations for the Annual General meeting which is scheduled for the 8th, 9th and 10th of May.

All open forum reports are now ready and final preparations and details for the AGM are being attended to.

This news letter will provide a brief overview of the identified WIA Board's priority areas.

For more information on any of these issues check the WIA web site www.wia.org.au or email the WIA Office. nationaloffice@wia.org.au

Phil Wait WIA President



1 Consideration of Applications for WIA Awards

The Board had the difficult task of considering all the nominations for WIA Awards. There were a large number of worthy applications making the decision very difficult. After lengthy debate unanimous agreement was reached for those to receive awards. Awards will be announced and presented at the AGM.

2. Meeting with ACMA to consider future business requirements

WIA Board members met with ACMA in Melbourne during this week for ongoing discussions in relation to future business requirements.

Discussions are preliminary and ongoing.

3. AGM registrations

At the time of the April Board meeting there had been 100 registrations for this year's WIA AGM in Canberra.

Registrations are now closed.

The Board are looking toward the 2016 WIA AGM and have a proposal for an exciting location that will be presented to members and those attending this year's AGM.

This location will be announced at the AMG dinner on Saturday evening.

4. ANZAC Commemoration

ANZAC commemoration launch in Canberra on ANZAC Day the 25th April provided for an excellent day of DX and local Contacts. The Board thank the Canberra Amateur Radio Club and in particular Amanda VK1WX for their assistance in developing the program for the opening. Three Board members attended the opening of the ANZAC event.

5. Borrowed QSL Collection

Agreement was reached between the Documentary Archive Radio Communications' in Austria (DokuFunk) and the WIA as to the future of borrowed QSL cards that had been added to the WIA QSL collection. The agreement, satisfactory to both parties, will enhance the WIA QSL collection and removes restrictions to the use of the borrowed cards. Cooperation between the WIA and DokuFunk will continue with a stronger relationship and improved support in preserving the history of AR.

6. WIA Repeater Coordination

Andrew Chapman has been nominated to take over from Richard Cerveny working with Peter Mill as joint WIA repeater coordinator. The Board welcome Andrew and look forward to his contribution. The Board thank Richard for his contribution.

7. Club Insurance Scheme

Vote of Thanks – To retiring WIA insurance coordinator Ted Thrift (VK2ARA). President Phil Wait proposed a vote of thanks be recorded for his hard work and 10 years of service.