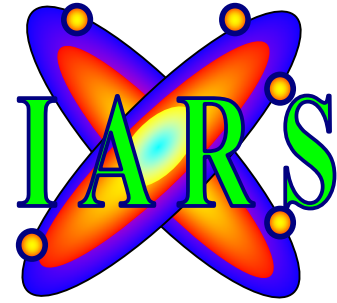


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From the President's Desk. Report 2011.

Another year has passed by so fast. The years seem to move along just as fast as the technology in Amateur radio. When I started in amateur radio all the talk was pushing thermionic valves to their limits, today we chat about software defined radio a concept far from any conventional radio. The Illawarra Amateur Radio Society has moved along at an equally lightening pace. The IARS has under it's belt a long list of achievements. The long standing records of EME communications, the extensive linked repeater network, sixty four years of continuous operation as a radio club, the first club in NSW to introduce D-Star technology, to name a few.

I have been proud to hold the office of President for this fine organization for the last 6 years and to have presided over many of afore mentioned achievements. This has given me an enormous amount of pleasure.

I will however be tendering my resignation to the society as president effective as of the 2011 AGM. As the hobby has done, I have had a change of direction. My involvement and time commitment in a local sporting club has increased and I require more time to pursue this activity. The pressures at work seem to increase day by day and I require more out of hours time for this commitment.

My availability to carry out the task of president in the last year has been severely restricted, and I feel I do not have the time required to hold this office position at the present time. I certainly am not leaving the club, and will continue to assist wherever possible. I thank the members of the club who have assisted me during my term in office. I will continue to provide both the IRLP 6018 and echolink VK2TS nodes for the club and announcements as required.

It's time for others within the society to stand for any of the positions with the club that they can possibly contribute to. We need to continue to provide activities for all member of the society, to have club outings, and attract interesting guest speakers to our meetings. We need to work hard to keep the funding available for club projects. The IARS is a fun place to meet up with like minded individuals and participate in a very interesting age old hobby, the hobby of gentlemen.

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Part of the East Link Repeater Network
First D-Star network in NSW
Home of IRLP Nodes 6018 & 6222
Home of Echolink Nodes 1484, 315845,
325276, & 411954.

