Annual Report for the year 2017-2018

Light house event

Was held in August 2017 location was Talaimanar- and Dondra.

Faculty of Applied Sciences, Wayamba University exhibition October

4S6TMP-Tharanga, the conducted an exhibition stall having the idea of giving the younger minds a glimpse of “Amateur Radio” using the limited equipment he possessed. The students were astounded to witness the sundry tools used in Ham Radio

JOTA

JOTA was held in October at Scout Head quarters with another 6 stations in other locations we are thankful for the members who supported this event

1. Kegalle-Maha vidiyalaya - KamalEdirisinghe (4S7AB)
2. Negombo-Maris Stella College- Senerath (4S6WAS)
3. Wattala-Darmaloka Vidyalaya-Chaminda (4S6CBD)
5. Mathugama-C.W.W.Kanangara Vidyalaya-Jaliya (4S7JL). Club Call sign-4S6CAR.
6. Colombo-D.S.Senanayaka Vidyalaya-Dimuthu (4S7DZ). Club call Sign-4S7SE

OH2BH / 4S7BHG visit to RSSL October monthly meeting

OH2BH Martti Laine with his XYL Leena OH2BE visited Sri Lanka for a holiday and for operating CQWW SSB 2017 contest from Sri Lanka. He is a well known Dxer and a
Dxpeditioner who has also activated some rare entities.

We had the pleasure of having him at the club shack during the October monthly meeting. He gave a very interesting presentation about his Ham Radio activities and the contributions he has made to the hobby.

**RSSL dxpedition and family outing held in March**

The RSSL Dxpedition + Family Get Together was held as planned at Janaki’s Family Retreat, Hewainna. RSSL council and Management is thankful to 4S7RR Ranjith and XYL Janaki for providing the location to RSSL and its members to have this event FREE of charge.

1. Lot of Entertainment for Kids and XYLs including competitions.
2. Presentation on “Propagation” by 4S7VK
3. Discussion and Demo on “How to setup a Digital Mode station” by 4S7AB Kamal
4. Discussion on “Magnetic Loop Antennas” by 4S7LF Leo

**Donation of the 4 cavity PRO COM Duplexer**

The RSSL is very grateful and thankful to the Geneva Radio Amateur Association for the donation of the 4 cavity PRO COM Duplexer. This donation comes at a time when the RSSL is considering replacing aging duplexer’s and we consider our selves very fortunate to receive this gift at this point of time. I want to thank HippolyteTournier president L’ ASSOCIATION GENEVOISE DE RADIOAMATEURS and our RSSL member Mr. SenarathWickramasingha 4s6WAS for taking the interest in initiating this request

**NCDX Beacon** –

Faulty controller was replaced now working fine – Thanking Kamal for the all the coordination done.

**6M Beacon**

Victor 4s7VK took the beacon for repairs to Amaranath and now its back in working condition *The beacons are currently hosted in the shack and it cost approximately LKR 2000 a month for electricity for both beacons. The beacons have been operational for more than three years from my location and I have not claimed any payment for this.*

**Repeater linking project** Fair Way building Buddhist channel location was checked for this project but did not go ahead due to high RF breaking in into the transceivers. Hence a
new location was decided which was Nadikas home QTH.

**Piduruthalaga Repeater**

Was shut down by the Air Port and Aviation as they installed a new antenna for aviation purposes where our VHF antenna was hence we have to find a alternative location for it. Jaliya during short stay here went with Singha and Ranil and found a location but the project is not over yet as a permanent solution has to be done. Duplexer was not in good condition and need to be changed. This was a request from the Aviation Authority. Mahesh has proposed an antenna design which Mahinda demonstrated at the general meeting which was approved by others as well and work needs to commence soon.

**Deniyaya Repeater**

Jaliya is providing a 100m cable for which RSSL will have to pay the cost. This is another new project that needs to be initiated by the new council

**Yatiyanthota Repeater**

Its functioning but needs a new cable and will require some maintenance well.

**Echo Link**

Not functioning as the Raspberry Pie has developed a fault. This needs to be attended to. Currently Nadika 4s6NCH is hosting this service.

**Monthly Meetings and Expenses for meetings**

All General Meetings were held at the shack hence no expenses were incurred saving RSSL quite a considerable amount. Because of the lack of participation we were compelled to postpone meetings

**Web Site**

Thanking Kamal for maintaining as well as updating the website. Thanking Riyad for managing the Facebook page
We had 10 General meetings **9 Council Meetings** during 2017 June to 2018 August.

Attendance of the Council Meetings are as follows:-

Barath Aponso (4S6ABC)- 9 Times.
Cristy Perera (4S6CPT)- 8 Times.
Chaminda Dissanayake (4S6CBD)- 9 Times.
J.T.Wijayasinghe (4S7VJ)- 7 Times
M.P.M.Sudarhanan (4S6MPM)- 2 Times.
D.Sirimanne (4S7DSB)- 6 Times
Kamal Edirisinghe (4S7AB)- 6 Times
Nihal de Abrew (4S5NDA)- 4 Times.
Jaliya Lokeshwara (4S7JL)- 4 Times.
Nadika Hapuarachi (4S6NCH)- 6 Times.
Uthpala Vithane (4S7UV)- 9 Times.
Mahinda Abewardana (4S7PA)  3 Times.