

# South East Radio Group

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## **EDUCATION REPORT MARCH 2024**

We have now transitioned to the new examination system run by the ACMA. Although we have not undertaken any exams under the new system yet here at SERG, I have heard from another examiner in VK1 that the system worked very well, and in fact her candidate was up and running with callsign and on air in under 2 weeks from the date of the exam. This is a very pleasing outcome.

I continue to assist a potential amateur on his path to Foundation Licence. Hopefully will be in a position to do an exam in the near future.

There is another interested party who I have provided initial information too, and am waiting on him to advise if/how he wishes to proceed.

Fred Swainston is running an online Foundation course over 3 Wednesday evenings commencing on 20 March. Fred is an experienced instructor and I would recommend his course for anyone interested to gain the Foundation accreditation. Here at SERG we can supplement his training nicely with support on the theory, and most importantly the practical, to give the best chance of a successful outcome.

Details of Fred's course below.

Amateur Radio Foundation Licence Training Expressions of interest are now open for the Amateur Radio Foundation training program which covers radio theory, regulations, and practical to prepare candidates for the Foundation Examination.

The course is delivered face-to-face using Zoom online.

The course will commence on Wednesday 20th March 2024, and will run for three consecutive Wednesday evenings. 20 March, 27 March and the 3rd of April.

The course will commence at 7pm Australian Eastern Daylight-Saving Time (AEDT) and run for approximately 3 hours each evening.

The cost of the course is \$15.00.

Reference handout material for the course will be made available for each session.

To express interest email Fred at trainsafe @[silvertrain.com.au](mailto:silvertrain.com.au) Regards Fred VK3DAC, VK4FE.

So, if you know anyone that has been thinking about getting into Amateur Radio, now might be a good time to share this information with them.

That's it for this month.

Regards,

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