

# South East Radio Group

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## Repeater report 20 March 2026

Nick has been working closely with Henk the owner of the site and our host for VK5RMG. Henk has requested that as far as possible (except in emergencies) that we run entirely off the solar. This is part of our agreement and so we need to move everything onto the battery with the exception of the router (which is Henk's). Nick has suggested we replace the 200AH LiFePO4 battery on site with the 300AH we had planned for Willalooka to provide more capacity at The Bluff and to place the 200AH battery on reserve for Willalooka when final approval is gained for the new tower.

In addition, we have arranged for a 100AH LiFePO4 battery for Mt Benson. The existing lead acid battery is well and truly dead.

Norbert has made some changes to the power supply connections at The Bluff in preparation for the remote monitoring of battery and solar. He is also doing some final work on the project.

Nick continues to work on maintenance for Henk's radio station with regular visits to start the generator, repair solar panels etc.

Big thanks to Norbert and Nick.

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