VKDMR Hotspot Setup Guide

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Introduction

This document is intended to be a simple setup guide to get your Simplex Hotspot up and working on the VKDMR network.

To keep the guide as simple as possible I have omitted the more complicated setup options and additional digital modes that can be setup on the Hotspot. These can be addressed in a further guide.

It is assumed that you already have a DMR radio that can connect and communicate on one of the VKDMR repeaters and you have the capability to program additional channels and talk groups into your DMR radio.

What is a Hotspot?

A Hotspot is like a mini repeater with a limited range due to the low power output of approximately 10mW. Your handheld connects to the Hotspot using RF and then the hotspot connects to the dashboard over the internet.

A hotspot is useful for areas that do not have easy access to the local DMR repeater.

DMR Dashboards

There are two VKDMR dashboards, one for public repeaters (<u>http://rpt.vkdmr.com/</u>) and another one for Hotspots (<u>http://hot.vkdmr.com/</u>). Once your Hotspot is setup correctly it will show up on the Hotspot dashboard against your callsign - see below.

182 VK4MU1	Brisbane (30)	5050180	505	MMDVM
183 VK4MWL	Brisbane, QG62nk (30)	505129101 5	505 3804	MMDVM
	Nahrunda Qld	E0E0212 E 2000 0/6	505 2004	MMDV/M

DMR ID

This document assumes that you already have a working DMR radio and DMR ID.

The Hotspot will use your existing DMR Radio ID. See below extract from the Radio ID FAQ page.

"Hotspots: **** MMDVM, DV4MINI, openSPOT, DVMEGA, and all other hotspot type devices do NOT require a separate ID, use an existing ID only, check the hotspot tab on your account dashboard, do NOT request an ID for them ****

If you own more than one hotspot, use your personal ID number and add a 2 digit suffix, example: Radio ID 3020111, use 302011101, 302011102, etc.

NEVER operate multiple hotspot within range of each other on the same frequency even with different ID's. This will create serious network issues in most cases.

Hotspots do not require repeater ID's." - Reference - https://www.radioid.net/faq#!

If you are not sure of you DMR ID you can look it up at https://database.radioid.net/database/search#!

Hotspot Frequency

There are two frequencies allocated in the 70cm Band for Internet Gateways (Reference "WIA Amateur Band Plans"). Choose one of these frequencies.

439.125MHz & 439.150MHz

Hotspot Talk Groups – Static vs Dynamic

Hotspots can be configured with specific talk groups. These are called static talk groups, as they are always monitored and retransmitted on your hotspot frequency.

To listen to talk groups that are not configured as static you need to use dynamic talk groups. These are accessed by keying up your radio on the talk group you want to use. Your hotspot will then receive any transmissions on that talk group. After 15 seconds of inactivity the hotspot will return to monitoring static talk groups. This timeout is set by the "RelinkTime" parameter.

As a starting point I suggest configuring the following talk groups as static: -

- 5 time slot 1/All repeaters
- 13 time slot 1/Worldwide English
- 53 time slot 1/Chat
- 113 time slot 1/QSY to here after establishing DX on TG1 or TG13
- 123 time slot 1/ QSY to here after establishing DX on TG1 or TG13
- 505 time slot 2/All VK repeaters
- 3084 time slot 2/All QLD repeaters

These are configured using the option string below that is added to the DMR configuration on the configuration web page. This is explained further in the configuration section.

RelinkTime=15;*UserLink*=1;*TS1_1*=5;*TS1_2*=13;*TS1_3*=53;*TS1_4*=113;*TS1_5*=123;*TS2_1*=505;*TS2_2*=3 804;

Hotspot Hardware

There are several different Hotspots on the market. This document covers the Jumbospot MMDVM Hotspot which uses the following components.

- 1. Raspberry Pi Zero W (Single Board Computer that runs Linux)
- 2. Jumbospot MMDVM board (Multi Mode Digital Voice Modem UHF Radio Board)
- 3. OLED Display (Usually supplied with the MMDVM board)
- 4. Metal Case
- 5. UHF Antenna
- 6. Micro USB Power Supply
- 7. 16GB MicroSD memory card
- 8. Dual row header pins

These parts can be sourced separately or purchased as a kit.

VKDirect (https://vkdirect.com.au) and QSLComms (https://gslcomms.com.au) have kits available.

Alternatively you can buy parts from the below websites :-

- https://core-electronics.com.au/ (Raspberry Pi, Power Supply, SD Card)
- Aliexpress
- eBay

Raspberry Pi Zero W



There are two versions of the Raspberry Pi Zero W and Raspberry Pi Zero WH. The "W" version does not come with headers and the "WH" version includes headers pre-soldered.

If you get the one with headers already soldered as shown in the photo here you will need snip pins 12,14,16,18 so they do not interfere with the pins from the OLED display.

The MMDVM boards come with 2 sets of 2x5 header pins that can be soldered to the Raspberry Pi, so if you can solder in the pins, I recommend that you buy the Raspberry Pi Zero W as it is cheaper.

MMDVM



This board provides the RF interface between the Raspberry Pi and your DMR radio.

Hardware Construction

- 1. Solder the 2 sets of 2x5 header pins to the component side of the Raspberry Pi Zero W where required
- 2. Separate the 2 case pieces. Note that one end has an oval hole this must line up with the SDCard slot of the Raspberry Pi



3. Install the Raspberry Pi into the lower case using the 2 short screws next to the header pins. Note the SD Card Slot is on the left in the photo.



4. Install the MMDVM Board by plugging it into the Raspberry Pi. Note that the pins from the OLED are not touching any of the pins on the Raspberry Pi.



5. Use a pair of long nose pliers or tweezers to hold the two plastic spacers while installing the 2 long screws.



6. Align the SMA connector on top of the MMDVM board with the top part of the case and clip the case into place. Note the case should easily clear the connectors on the Raspberry Pi, if it doesn't check that the Raspberry Pi is installed in the correct orientation with the oval hole on the SD Card side of the Raspberry Pi.



7. Screw on the antenna. Don't install the SD Card Yet as we need to install the software onto it.

Pi-Star - Software

Pi-Star is the operating system that runs on the Raspberry Pi Zero W, it is a modified linux build that is specifically setup with a number of applications and a configuration webpage.

The Raspberry Pi Zero W connects to the DMR network via your home wireless internet.

Pi-Star needs to be installed onto the SD Card which is then inserted into the Raspberry Pi.

You will need a USB MicroSD Card reader to complete the next task. The below one is made by Kingston.



Setting up the MicroSD Card

1. Download the latest version for Pi-Star "Pi-Star_RPi_V4.1.2_20-May-2020.zip" at the time of writing.

	PI-Star Digital Voice Software
Home	Pi-Star Downloads
Information	Images available to Download
Help	Pi-Star Nanopi Air V3.4.17 09-04n-2019.21p Pi-Star Nanopi V3.4.17 09-04n-2019.21p Pi-Star Odrodi XU4 V3.4.17 09-04n-2019.21p Pi Star Odrodi Zu4 V3.4.17 09-04n-2019.21p
Pi-Star Tools	Pi-Star [Pi v3.4.17 20-Jan-2019.zip
Multi Reflector	PI-Star RPI_V4.1.2_20-Way-2020.zip dvmega-flash-tools.zip
DMP Padio Tools	

- 2. Unzip the Pi-Star_RPi_V4.1.2_20-May-2020.zip file. Take note of the location of the "Pi-Star RPi V4.1.2 20-May-2020.img" file
- 3. Download "Raspberry Pi Imager for Windows" from https://www.raspberrypi.org/downloads/

4. Install the "Raspberry Pi Imager for Windows" application and run it.

Raspberry Pi Imager v1.4	T aspberry P	- • ×
Operating System	SD Card	
CHOOSE OS	CHOOSE SD CARD	

- 5. Click on "Choose OS", scroll to the bottom and select "Use custom"
- 6. Locate the "Pi-Star_RPi_V4.1.2_20-May-2020.img" file you extracted in step 2 and select it.



- 7. Plug the MicroSD Card into the card reader and plug the card reader into the computer
- 8. Click "Choose SD C "



9. Select the SD Card.





12. Wait until the image is finished writing and verifying to the MicroSD Card



13. Click continue and unplug and plug the SD Card reader from the computer

Write Successful	x		
Pi-Star_RPi_V4.1.2_20-May-2020.img has been written to SDHC Card			
You can now remove the SD card from the reader			
CONTINUE			

WiFi Configuration

- 1. Insert the MicroSD card into the card reader and connect to the USB port of the computer
- 2. Open File Explorer and you should see a new drive letter



3. Within the root directory create a new text file (Right click New>Text Document)

Deskton	cmdline.txt	View >	Text Document 1 KB
	📄 config.txt	Sort by	Text Document 2 KB
Documents	COPYING.linux	Group by	LINUX File 19 KB
Email attachments	📄 fixup.dat	Pofrach	DAT File 7 KB
Music	📄 fixup_cd.dat		DAT File 3 KB
Pictures	📄 fixup_db.dat	Customize this folder	DAT File 10 KB
This DC	📄 fixup_x.dat	Paste	DAT File 10 KB
	📄 fixup4.dat	Paste shortcut	DAT File 7 KB
3D Objects	📄 fixup4cd.dat	Undo Move Ctrl+7	DAT File 4 KB
E Desktop	📄 fixup4db.dat	A Git GUI Here	DAT File 9 KB
Documents	📄 fixup4x.dat	Git Bach Here	DAT File 9 KB
👆 Downloads	issue.txt		Text Document 1 KB
Music	kernel.img	Give access to >	Disc Image File 5,023 KB
Pictures	kernel7.img	New	- Folder
Videos	kernel7l.img	Properties	Shortcut
in Local Disk (C·)	kernel8.img		Microsoft Access Database
Level Disk (C)	LICENCE.broadcom	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	Ritman image
Local Disk (D:)	LICENSE.oracle	27/05/2016 1:41 PM	
boot (E:)	start.elf	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	Microsoft Word Document
A Network	start_cd.elf	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	Microsoft Access Database
	start_db.elf	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	Microsoft PowerPoint Presentation
	start_x.elf	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	Microsoft Publisher Document
	start4.elf	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	💼 Rich Text Format
	start4cd.elf	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	Text Document
	start4db.elf	26/03/2020 11:06 AM	Microsoft Excel Worksheet
	ctart/v elf	26/02/2020 11-06 AM	Compressed (zipped) Folder
9 items			

4. Right click on the new file and select properties. Change the name of the file to "wpa_supplicant.conf" and click "OK"

New Text D	ocument.txt Properties	>
General Deta	ils	
	wpa_supplicant.conf	
Type of file:	Text Document (.txt)	
Opens with:	Notepad Change	
Location:	E:\	
Size:	0 bytes	
Size on disk:	0 bytes	
Created:	Saturday, 10 October 2020, 9:28:04 AM	
Modified:	Saturday, 10 October 2020, 9:29:12 AM	
Accessed:	Today, 10 October 2020	
Attributes:	Read-only Hidden Advanced	
	OK Cancel Apply	

5. Click "Yes" to the warning message

Rename

If you change a file name extension, the file might become unusable.

Are you sure you want to change it?



- 6. Right click on the "wpa_supplicant.conf" file and select "Properties"
- 7. Click "Change"

	wpa_supplicant.conf
Type of file:	CONF File (.conf)
Opens with:	Motepad Change
Location:	E:\
Size:	0 bytes
Size on disk:	0 bytes
Created:	Saturday, 10 October 2020, 9:34:03 AM
Modified:	Saturday, 10 October 2020, 9:34:04 AM
Accessed:	Today, 10 October 2020
Attributes:	Read-only Hidden Advanced



9. Double click on the "wpa_supplicant.conf" file to open it in Notepad

10. Cut and paste in the following text into the Notepad window

```
country=AU
ctrl_interface=DIR=/var/run/wpa_supplicant GROUP=netdev
update_config=1
network={
    ssid="MyWiFiNetwork"
    psk="aVeryStrongPassword"
    key_mgmt=WPA-PSK
}
```

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11. It should look like this after step 10
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*wpa_supplicant.conf - Notepad	—	\times
File Edit Format View Help		
<pre>country=AU ctrl_interface=DIR=/var/run/wpa_supplicant GROUP=netdev update_config=1 network={ ssid="MyWiFiNetwork" psk="aVeryStrongPassword" key_mgmt=WPA-PSK }</pre>		^

	Ln 9, Col 1	100%	Windows (CRLF)	UTF-8	
<					>

- 12. Replace the string MyWiFiNetwork with your home WiFi SSID
- 13. Replace the string aVeryStrongPassword with you home WiFi password
- 14. Close Notepad and click Save to save the file
- 15. Remove the MicroSD card from the reader and install it into the Raspberry Pi. It will be almost flush with the case when installed correctly.



16. Plugin the power to the Raspberry Pi and turn it on

Pi-Star Configuration

- 1. The Raspbery Pi takes approximately 5 minutes to boot after power on
- 2. Once booted you should be able to click on this link <u>http://pi-star/admin/</u> and you will be prompted for a username and password
- 3. Enter the user name : pi-star and password : raspberry
- 4. Click on Configuration in the top left corner

Hostname: pi-star				Pi-Si	ar:4.1.2 / Dashboard: 20200520			
Pi-Star Digital Voice Dashboard for M1ABC								
			Dashboard Admin	Live Logs Power U	pdate Configuration			
		Gateway Hard	ware Information					
Hostname	Kernel	Pla	tform	CPU Load	CPU Temp			
pi-star	4.19.97+	Pi Zero W Re	v 1.1 (512MB)	2.72 / 1.51 / 0.6	43.3°C / 109.9°F			
		Servic	e Status					
MMDVMHost	DMRGateway	YSFGateway	YSFParrot	P25Gateway	P25Parrot			
DStarRepeater	ircDDBGateway	TimeServer	PiStar-Watchdog	PiStar-Remote	PiStar-Keeper			
No Mode Defined I don't know what mode I am in, you probaly just need to configure me. You will be re-directed to the configuration portal in 10 secs In the mean time, you might want to register on the support page here: https://www.facebook.com/groups/pistarusergroup/ or the Support forum here: https://forum.pistaruk/								
or the Support forum here: https://forum.pistar.uk/ Pi-Star / Pi-Star Dashboard, © Andy Taylor (MW0MWZ) 2014-2020. ircDDBGateway Dashboard by Hans-J. Barthen (DL5DI), MMDVMDash developed by Kim Huebel (DG9VH), Need help? Click here for the Facebook Group or Click here to join the Support Forum Get your copy of Pi-Star from here.								

5. Configure the Control Software section as below and click "Apply Changes"

	Control Software	
Setting	Value	
Controller Software:	ODStarRepeater MMDVMHost (DV-Mega Minimum Firmware 3.07 Required)	
Controller Mode:	 Simplex Node ODuplex Repeater (or Half-Duplex on Hotspots) 	
	Apply Changes	

- 6. Configure the General Configuration section as below and click "Apply Changes" (**note it takes a** little while for the page to refresh and restart the services before you can continue)
 - a. Callsign
 - b. Frequency (439.125MHz or 439.150MHz)
 - c. Your Latitude, Longitude, Town, Grid Location (Find your Coordinates and Grid with this website <u>https://www.qrz.com/gridmapper</u>) Note that the decimal coordinates and Grid are at the top of the page, whereas Degrees/Min/Sec is displayed at the bottom.



- d. Change URL to "Auto"
- e. Change the Radio/Modem Type to "STM32-DVM / MMDVM_HS Raspberry Pi Hat (GPIO)"
- f. Change the APRS host to "aunz.aprs2.net"
- g. Change the timezone to "Australia/Brisbane"
- 7. After applying the configuration the services will restart and you will now see the MMDVMHost Configuration section. Update the below settings and apply changes.
 - a. Turn on "DMR Mode"
 - b. Change the MMDVM Display to "OLED Type 3"
- 8. After applying the changes there will be a new option in the General Configuration section, "CCS7/DMR ID:" enter you DMR ID and apply changes
- 9. After the services restart configure the following options in the "DMR Configuration" section and apply changes.
 - a. DMR Master "DMR+_IPSC2-VKHOTSPOT"
 - b. DMR ESSID: change the drop down to "01"
- 10. After the services restart, return to the DMR Configuration section and add the following to the new DMR Options field that has now appeared.
 - a. Add the following string to DMR+ Network "*StartRef=4000; RelinkTime=15;UserLink=1;TS1_1=5;TS1_2=13;TS1_3=53;TS1_4=113;TS1_5=123;TS2_1 =505;TS2_2=3804;*"
- 11. Apply changes.
- 12. Navigate to http://pi-star/admin/expert/edit_mmdvmhost.php
- 13. Scroll down to the DMR section and change "Beacons", "BeaconInterval" and "BeaconDuration" to 0 and apply changes.

	DM	R
Enable	1	
Beacons	0	
BeaconInterval	0	
BeaconDuration	0	
ColorCode	1	
SelfOnly	1	
EmbeddedLCOnly	0	
DumpTAData	1	
CallHang	3	
TXHang	4	
ModeHang	20	
OVCM	0	
Id	505129101	

14. Open the VKDMR Hotspot Dashboard http://hot2.vkdmr.com/ and search for your callsign you should see some like this

•			•					
	182 VK4MOT	Brisbane (30)	2020180		505		MMDVM	E.
	183 VK4MWL	Brisbane, QG62nk (30)	505129101	5	505 3804		MMDVM	
		Nahrunda Qld	5050212	E 2000 0/6	EOE 2004			

15. Update the admin password on your Pi-Star

Remote Access Password							
User Name		Password					
pi-star	Password:	P	Confirm	Password:	٩	Set Password	
	WARNING:	This changes the pass AND the "pi-star"	word for SSH acco	this admi unt	n page		

16. Create a back of the configuration



Pi-Star Digital Voice - Configuration
Dashboard | Admin | Expert | Power | Update | Backup/Restore | Pictory Reset

b. Click on Download Configuration and save the file to a safe location



17. Complete a Pi-Star Update described below.

Pi-Star Updates

From time to time you will need to complete an update on the Pi-Star.

The update will update various operating system and Pi-Star application components.

- 1. Navigate to <u>http://pi-star/admin/configure.php</u> and enter your user "pi-star" and password
- 2. Click on Update

			Pi-St	ar:4.1.2 / Dashboard: 20201005			
Pi-Star Digital Voice - Configuration Dashboard Admin Expert Power Update Backup/Restore Factory Reset							
		Gateway Hardware Information					
Hostname	Kern	el Platform	CPU Load	CPU Temp			
pi-star	4.19.	97+ Pi Zero W Rev 1.1 (512MB)	0.45 / 0.63 / 0.62	40.6°C / 105.1°F			
		Control Software					
Setting		Valu	1e				
Controller Software	: (ODStarRepeater ©MMDVMHost (DV-Mega Minimum Firmware 3.07 Required)					
Controller Mode:	(●Simplex Node ○Duplex Repeater (or Half-Du	plex on Hotspots)				

3. You will see a page like the below image, wait until you see "Finished" before navigating away.

Pi-Star - Digital Voice Dashboard - Update

Dashboard | Admin | Power | Backup/Restore | Configuration



Pi-Star web config. © Andy Taylor (MW0MWZ) 2014-2020. Need help? Click here for the Support Group Get your copy of Pi-Star from here.

Radio Configuration

You will need to configure an additional channel and associated talkgroups in your codeplug and download to the DMR radio. This new channel will use the TX/ RX Frequency that you configured on the Hotspot configuration page. (439.125MHz or 439.150MHz)

Important : Set you radio to low power before transmitting on your Hotspot frequency as they are usually close by and can be overdriven by high power causing intermodulation or potentially damage to your Hotspot.

Once this is configured select your hotspot channel and TalkGroup 9990 (Parrot) and do a test transmission.

You should see information light up on the display of the hotspot and hear your voice back from the parrot.

You will also see info in the Hotspot Dashboard while you are transmitting.

115	A MARINE	Sunshine Couse (22)	3031217 3 3003		303 300 1		11112 4111
180	VK4MOT	Brisbane (27)	5050180		505		MMDVM
181	VK4MWL	Brisbane, QG62nk (29)	505129101 5	CQ	505 3804	9990/ECHO (5051291) VK4MWL	MMDVM
182	VK4NRD	Nahrunda Qld QG63ht	5050312 5 3809 8/6		505 3804		MMDVM

Bit Error Rate (BER)

DMR is digital radio and encodes your voice as ones and zeros over RF. Bit Error Rate or BER is the ratio of bit errors to total bits sent.

High BER indicates that the Hotspot (or any repeater) is not receiving your signal correctly.

In the case of Hotspots they use cheap transmitter chips and sometimes need a frequency offset to be setup to correct high BER.

To see the BER of your transmissions access the Pi-Star dashboard <u>http://pi-star/</u> and look for your call sign in the "Local RF Activity" section. (You may need to do a test transmission to the parrot to generate a log entry)

	Pi-S	tar Digital V	/oice Dash	board	for Vk	(4)	1WL		
					Das	hboar	d Admin	Confi <u>c</u>	uration
Mod	es Enabled		Ga	teway Activi	ty				
D-Sta:	r DMR	Time (AEST)	Mode	Callsign	Target	Src	Dur(s)	Loss	BER
YSF	P25	20:57:48 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK4MWL	TG 9990	Net	4.1	48	0.1%
YSF XMo	de NXDN	20:57:43 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK4MWL	TG 9990	RF	4.0	0%	1.4%
DMR XMo	de POCSAG	20:57:32 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	4000	TG 9	Net	2.3	0%	0.0%
		20:44:11 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK2FTKP	TG 505	Net	1.6	0%	0.0%
Netw	work Status	20:33:20 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK2CJC	TG 505	Net	7.0	0%	0.0%
D-Star 1	Net DMR Net	20:17:00 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK4AU	TG 505	Net	1.9	3%	0.0%
YSF Ne	et P25 Net	19:36:20 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK4LIP	TG 505	Net	6.6	0%	0.0%
YSF2DM	R NXDN Net	19:29:33 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK2FJ	TG 505	Net	4.4	0%	0.0%
YSF2NX	DN YSF2P25	19:15:06 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK3 PMR	TG 505	Net	1.6	0%	0.0%
DMR2NX	DN DMR2YSF	19:07:38 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK2NAT	TG 505	Net	5.5	0%	0.0%
		18:59:17 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK6KBY	TG 505	Net	4.8	5%	0.0%
Ra	adio Info	18:54:42 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2	VK2INX	TG 505	Net	0.8	0%	0.0%
Trx I	Listening DMR		Lo	cal RF Activit	v				
Tx 4	139.150000 MHz	Time (AEST)	Mode Calls:	ion Target	Src Dur(s)	BER		RSSI	
Rx 4	139.150000 MHz	20:57:43 Oct 14th	DMR Slot 2 VK4MWL	TG 9990	RF 4.0	1.48	S9+460	dB (-47	dBm)
TCXO	15_Hat:v1.4.17 14.7456 MHz								

If you are experiencing higher than 1% BER you can adjust the frequency offsets in the expert configuration pages.

- 1. Leave the Dashboard open and open another browser tab or window using this link <u>http://pi-star/admin/expert/edit_mmdvmhost.php</u>
- 2. Scroll down the page to the "Modem" section and locate "RXOffset"
- 3. Adjust the offsets in +/-100 step offsets and test using the TG 9990 parrot
- 4. Monitor the BER in the dashboard and adjusting in increments of +/-50 the +/-10 to reduce the BER below 1%

Further info about this process can be found on the webpage <u>https://amateurradionotes.com/pi-star-notes.htm#tuningber</u> by Toshen, KE0FHS and this Facebook post <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/743300879089972/permalink/2408935665859810/</u> by Glenn, VK4NGA.

WiFi Auto AP

If the Pi-Star fails to connect to a known WiFi network it will automatically create it own WiFi Access Point(AP). This is a failsafe to allow you to connect to Pi-Star and re-configure the WiFi settings.

Follow these steps to connect

- 1. Turn on the Pi-Star and wait approximately 2-3 minutes
- 2. Using a laptop click on the small WiFi icon in the bottom right corner of the screen.



- 3. You should see a new WiFi SSID listed called "Pi-Star-Setup". Click on it and click connect.
- 4. Enter the password "raspberry"



5. Open the following link in a web browser <u>http://pi-star.local</u> It should open up the configuration page.

Pi-Star Digital Voice - Configuration								
		Dashboard Admin Expert Pov	wer Update Backup/R	estore Factory R				
		Gateway Hardware Information						
		Gateway Hardware Information						
Hostname	Kernel	Gateway Hardware Information Platform	CPU Load	CPU Temp				

6. Scroll down to the Wireless Configuration section and click "Configure WiFi"

Wireless Co	nfiguration
Refresh Reset WiFi Adapter Configure WiFi	<u>_</u>
Window Informatio	an and Chatistics
Interface Information	Wireless Information
Interface Name : wlan0	Connected To :
Interface Status : Interface is down	AP Mac Address :
IP Address :	
Subnet Mask :	Bitrate :
Mac Address : b8:27:eb:9e:0e:1f	Signal Level :
TotopEsco Statistics	
Pereived Packets	
Received Bytes :	
Transferred Packets :	WiFi Country : JP
Transferred Bytes :	-
Information provided by	ifconfig and iwconfig 🗸 🗸 🗸

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7. Click "Scan for Networks"

Wireless Configuration

WiFi Info	~
WiFi Regulatory Domain (Country Code) : JP 🗸	
Scan for Networks (10 secs) Add Network Save (and connect)	-

8. You should see a list of available networks. Click "Select" on your home WiFi network

		Wireless Config	guration					
WiFi Info								
WiFi Regulatory Domain (Country Code) : JP 🧹								
Scan for Network	Scan for Networks (10 secs) Add Network Save (and connect)							
Networks found :								
Connect	SSID	Channel	Signal	Security				
Select	MWLWiFi	2.4GHz Ch11	-61 dBm	WPA2-PSK (AES)				
Select	MWLWiFi	2.4GHz Ch1	-70 dBm	WPA2-PSK (AES)				
(Select)		2.4GHz Ch11	-60 dBm	WPA2-PSK (AES)	U			

9. Change the Country Code to "AU" and enter your WiFi password in the "PSK" field.

Wiless configuration							
WiFi Info					^		
WiFi Regulatory	WiFi Regulatory Domain (Country Code) : AU 🤍						
Network 0(Delete)							
SSID :MWLWiFi							
PSK	;						
Scan for Network	cs (10 secs) Add	Network Save (and conne	ect)				
Networks found :							
Connect	SSID	Channel	Signal	Security			
(Select)	MWLWiFi	2.4GHz Ch11	-61 dBm	WPA2-PSK (AES)	Υ.		

Wirelass Configuration

- 10. Click "Save and Connect"
- 11. Restart the Pi-Star
- 12. Reconnect your laptop to your Home WiFi
- 13. Click on this link to connect to the Pi-Star Dashboard http://pi-star.local

VKDMR Configuration Page Example

This is a copy of my configuration for reference.

				Pi-St	er: 4.1.2 / Deshboard: 20200813
	Pi-Star D	igital Voice - C	onfiau	ration	
			Sunga		
		Dashboard Admin Expe	rt Power U	odate Backup/Re	store Factory Reset
		Gateway Hardware Inform	ation		
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DOS Mode:		Rr mangtime: 20	Net	nangtime: 20	
P25 Mode:		RF Hangtime: 20	Net 1	Hangtime: 20	
NADN Mode:		RF Hangtime: 20) Net	Hangtime: 20	
YSF2DMR:	0				
YSF2NXDN:					
YSF2P25:					
DMR2YSF:		Uses	7 prefix on I	MRGateway	
DMR2NXDN:		Uses	7 prefix on I	MRGateway	
POCSAG:		PO	CSAG Paging F	eatures	
MADVM Display Type:	OLED Type :	3 v Port: /dev/ttyAMA0 v	Nextion Layou	t: ON7LDS L3 H	is 🗸
	1	Apply Changes			- Manual
		General Configuration			
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Node Callsign:	VK4MWI	E Do not add suirixes such	1 d3 .10cd1		
CCS7/DMR ID:					
Radio Frequency:	439.150.000	MHz			
Latitude:		degrees (positive value	for North, n	egative for Sout	:h)
Longitude:		degrees (positive value	for East, ne	gative for West)	
Town:	Brisbane, QO	62nk			
Country:	Australia				
URL:	http://www.	qrz.com/db/VK4MWL		OAuto OM	anual
Radio/Modem Type:	STM32-DVM	/ MMDVM_HS - Raspberry Pi Ha	at (GPIO)	~	
Node Type:	@Private C	OFrivate OFublic			
APRS Host:	queensland	.aprs2.net 🗸			
System Time Zone:	Australia/Br	isbane 🗸			
Dashboard Language:	english_uk	\sim			
		Apply Changes			
		DMR Configuration			
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DMR EmbeddedLCOnly:	0)				
DMR DumpTAData:					

Setting	Value
MobileGPS Enable:	
GPS Port:	/dev/ttyACM0 🗸
GPS Port Speed:	38400

Apply Changes

Firewall Configuration					
Setting		Value			
Dashboard Access:	●Private ○Public				
ircDDBGateway Remote:	OPrivate OPublic				
SSH Access:	●Private ○Public				
Auto AP:	⊙on Ooff	Note: Reboot Required if changed			
uPNP:	⊙on Ooff				

Apply Changes

Wireless Configuration							
(Keiresii) (Keset Wiri Adapter) (Conligure Wiri)							
Wireless Information and Statistics							
Interface Information	Wireless Information						
Interface Name : wlan0	Connected To :						
Interface Status : Interface is up	AP Mac Address : e0:63:da:65:c5:f7						
IP Address : 192.168.2.180							
Subnet Mask : 255.255.255.0	Bitrate : 65.0 MBit/s						
Mac Address : b8:27:eb:9e:0e:1f	Signal Level : -53 dBm						
Interface Statistics	Transmit Power : 31 dBm						
Received Packets : 343526	Link Quality : 81 %						
Received Bytes : 85195852 (81.2 MiB)	Channel Info : 2.4GHz Ch11 (2.462 GHz)						
Transferred Packets : 315345	WiFi Country : AU						
Transferred Bytes : 181583242 (173.1 MiB)							
Information provided by ifconfig and iwconfig							

Remote Access Password								
User Name	Password							
pi-star	Password:	Confirm Password: G	Set Password					
WARNING: This changes the password for this admin page AND the "pi-star" SSH account								

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Further Reading

https://www.pistar.uk/ https://forum.pistar.uk/ https://amateurradionotes.com/pi-star.htm#learningpistar http://www.lyonscomputer.com.au/ (Lots of info on lots of stuff including DMR. Thanks Glenn VK4PK)