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Greetings Everyone,

Welcome to **Headquarters–Info-Line** a fortnightly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters E-mailed directly to Branches.

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NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:

Information

I have been asked on a number of occasions for various details on members, specifically address telephone and e-mail addresses. Unfortunately, just like call book, I too am restricted and governed by the Privacy Act, therefore the best I can do is pass on information to these people and hope they contact you back. This is only possible if I have their current details. My apologies for any delay this may cause.

Reminder Notices

An invoice reminder notice will be posted out at the beginning of December, separate from your Break In. If you are unsure whether you have paid your subscription, please check the expiry date on your Break In label. If the date 31/12/2002 appears in the same line as your call sign, Branch and membership number, this means you are up to date until end of December 2002.

Branch Circular for December

If you would like anything circulated to all Branches before Christmas could you please e-mail me at nzart@clear.net.nz before 30 November.

See you in the next issue...

The Branch Spot:

The Auckland VHF Group Inc is Branch 66 of NZART. View details of the Repeaters and Beacons owned and operated by this Group and the specifics of this group's monthly activities on their Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/zl1bq/

Nelson - live the day

"Sunny days, moving easily between beautiful places and scrumptious food. Eating delicacies from orchards and sea, sipping wine in vineyards, dining in the garden. Excellent museums and galleries, four seasons of festivals, and shopping you'll never forget. Meet the maker in their own studio, take home a tangible memory. Accessible wilderness, where the adrenalins highs are hypefree, and the peace complete. Three National parks from mountains to the sea, and extraordinary places for you waiting to see. Experience the Nelson culture other New Zealanders envy. Come stay- come live the day!

"See you at Conference 2002 in Nelson"

1st & 2nd of June

Nostalgia Night 2001 Results from Rob Leinwand ZL1RD:

CALL	MULT.	AM QSO	PTS	CW QSO	PTS	BRANCHES	TOTAL POINTS	
								x mult.
ZL1ALZ	1.2	16	48	16	96	14	2016	2419.2
ZL1AJ	1.2	10	30	18	108	14	1932	2318.4
ZL1RD	1	21	63	9	54	17	1989	1989
ZL2AJB	1	11	33	17	102	13	1755	1755
ZL3KB	1.2	11	33	12	72	10	1050	1260
ZL1AIH	1	13	39	8	48	10	870	870
ZL6QH	1.2	6	18	8	48	9	594	712.8
ZL3AK	1.2	4	12	10	60	8	576	691.2
ZL1AM	1.2	2	6	10	60	7	462	554.4
ZL2KH	1.5	11	33		0	8	264	396
ZL2AJS	1.2	13	39		0	8	312	374.4
ZL1TW	1.2	6	18		0	6	108	129.6

Radio Amateur International Solidarity Event:

Following the events of September 11th amateur radio operators provided emergency communications to assist the emergency services, proving again the value of our hobby in times of need.

As a tribute to those operators, and as a token of our sympathy for the victims and relatives of those involved in the disasters, the QRZ Amateur Radio Group of Sussex will be holding a special event station from 18.00hrs Friday 23rd November until 18.00hrs Sunday 25th November. The call will be GB4ISE and will be operated on VHF and HF. The purpose of the event is to enable amateurs around the world to express their support on air for the work done by our American colleagues. A copy of the log book will be presented to the ARRL as a token of our support.

We would appreciate your letting your club members know about the event to give them an opportunity to participate. A special QSL card will be sent to all amateurs contacting the station.

Thank you for your co-operation and we look forward to working you during the event.

Stuart Constable, M0CHW Chairman of QRZ Amateur Radio Group of Sussex, England.

THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF MARCONI'S HISTORIC TRANS-ATLANTIC RADIO TRANSMISSION December 11 - 16, 2001

The Marconi Radio Club, W1AA and The Falmouth Amateur Radio Association Amateur Radio operators are making plans to celebrate a Marconi world historical event. December 12, 2001 will mark the 100th anniversary of the first Trans-Atlantic radio transmission by Guglielmo Marconi. That signal was a series of "SSS" transmitted on CW across the Atlantic from Poldhu, Cornwall England to St John's, Newfoundland.

The Marconi Radio Club will be using the call sign W1AA/CC and will be operating from Cape Cod, Massachusetts, U.S.A. the location of Marconi's 1903 Trans-Atlantic radio station. Marconi's 1903 call sign was " C C "

See this link for times, frequencies and modes of operation for W1AA/CC. http://www.qrz.com/database callsign=w1aa

Bob Doherty K1VV, Pres. Marconi Radio Club W1AA http://personal.tmlp.com/k1vv/w1aa/

Did you know?

That a charitable trust, known as **the NZART Radioscience Education Trust**, was formed in January 1998? It was formed to help and encourage persons wishing to further their education in the science of radio. This is in keeping with the aims and objectives of the NZART Constitution. The Trust is financed from income produced from invested donations. Being charitable, the Trust is not liable for resident withholding tax on interest or dividends, so donations can be claimed against income tax. Donations and Bequests over \$5 are tax-deductable. Your support would be appreciated. More information can be obtained from the NZART web page at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/nzart/trustweb.html

Contests with Stan White ZL2ST:

Upcoming contests are:

November 24/25 0000-2400 (Sa/Su) CQ Worldwide CW DX Contest - the big CW event

December 1/2 1800-0200 (Sa/Su) TARA RTTY Sprint

VHF/UHF/SHF/EHF CONTESTS

Field Day Contest 50 MHz and up. Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December. 1600-2200 Saturday, 0800-1400 Sunday.

Cliff Betson Memorial Contest 50 MHz and up. Saturday the 12th and Sunday the 13th of January 1600-2200 Saturday, 0800-1400 Sunday.

The rules were published in September/October 2000 Break-In. All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within <u>TWO WEEKS</u>, to: **Contest Manager**, **Wellington VHF Group**, **PO Box 12-259**, **Thorndon**, **WELLINGTON**

From NZART Awards Manager Alan Chapman ZL3GX:

This award from Belgian arrived too late to be included in December Break-In.

The OQ Award - The Belgian IARU society UBA proudly presents The OQ Award at the occasion of the birth of H.R.H. Princess Elisabeth, born on October 25th, 2001. Belgian stations are entitled to use the special prefix OQ till the end of 2001. Every HAM and SWL is encouraged to apply for this commemorative certificate.

There are no band restrictions, but repeater contacts are invalid. All modes, except packet radio may be used. A picture and full requirements for the Award can be found at http://www.qsl.net/on4cas/oq.htm

International Amateur Radio Union News:

Pitcairn Island Admitted to the IARU - Voting has been completed on a proposal to admit the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association (PIARA) as a member of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). PIARA has been notified of its admission effective 15 November 2001.

PIARA is an independent non-profit organisation to promote and develop amateur radio friendship, technical knowledge, and communication technology, providing public service and furthering the public interest, plus fostering international goodwill. It has 10 members, representing the entire population of resident amateur operators. PIARA reports that there are 23 amateurs licensed to operate including several temporary residents and visitors, plus one club station. Amateur Radio has special significance on Pitcairn Island, as it continues to provide the main communications link to the outside world.

Pitcairn Islands (including Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie, and Oeno Islands) is an overseas territory of the United Kingdom. The application for IARU membership by PIARA is supported by the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB). Due to transport difficulties from and to Pitcairn, PIARA has requested that the RSGB continue to represent PIARA at IARU Region 3 Conferences. The official address of PIARA is: P.O. Box 88, Adamstown, Pitcairn Island, South Pacific Ocean via New Zealand.

The IARU, founded in 1925, is a worldwide federation of national amateur radio societies with members in 151 countries and separate territories.

Dates To Remember:

- **HQ-Info-Line**, will be E-mailed next on Sunday 2nd December
- Next NZART Official Broadcast 8pm Sunday 25th November 8pm & 9pm
- NZART Conference June 2002 Nelson live the day

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Jim Meachen ZL2BHF Editor