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Greetings Everyone,

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NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says: Call for Council nominations

Evan Sayer NZART's Returning Officer for the upcoming elections has asked me to forward on to all members the following message.

Nominations are formally called for the following Officers:

- 1. President.
- 2. Three Councillors for the Northern Electoral District.
- 3. Three Councillors for the Central Electoral District.
- 4. Two Councillors for the Midland Electoral District.
- 5. One Councillor for the Southern Electoral District.

Every nomination should be in writing and signed by the person nominating and by a seconder and countersigned by the member nominated. The nomination shall also contain a certificate signed by all three parties that the nominee is an *active amateur*, i.e., a transmitting member holding a current amateur station licence, and who has been *actively* engaged in transmitting on amateur frequencies during the six month period prior to the date upon which the nomination is submitted, Please address all Nominations to:

The Returning Officer NZART Inc P O Box 40-525 UPPER HUTT 6415 These should be received by **31 December 2002.** *NOTE*: facsimile nominations cannot be accepted at Headquarters.

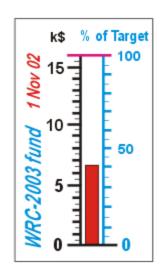
Nominations should be forwarded in good time, and no nomination should be presumed to have been received until it *has been acknowledged in writing*, usually within seven working days.

Subscriptions

Just a wee reminder that subscriptions for 2003 are due by the 31 December 2002. Seems a busy date doesn't it!!! An added bonus this year is the eligibility to go into the prize draw being offered in the new member promotional letter, which has just been posted to all non NZART members. First prize is a Yaesu FT 1500 mobile transceiver, 2nd prize 2 years free membership to the Association and 3rd prize 1 year's free membership.

To all non-NZART Members

By now all non NZART members will have received a letter from the President of NZART Mr Peter Norden ZL2SJ, inviting you to join the Association by the beginning of November. I would like to advise you that this has now been extended until the end of the year, to give you all plenty of time to consider supporting your hobby and the Association.



Donations to WRC-2003

Finally this issue I am pleased to advise that the total amount received from members donating their rebate for a representative to attend the World Radio Conference in Geneva next year is \$6630. An excellent effort from members, thank you on behalf of the Association. Thanks also to the new members who have also opted to donate their rebate.

CU in a fortnight.

From the Ministry of Economic Development: Amateur Statistics as at 1 November 2002:

<u>Total 5211</u>	*****	
Novice 19	TV Repeaters 19	
Fixed 2	General 3287	Limited 1610
Repeaters 212	Beacons 42	Digipeaters 29

DID YOU KNOW:

It is fifty years since the first amateur radio single-sideband contacts in New Zealand! In 1952 Jack Mason ZL1QS and Maurie Walker ZL1AU worked each other using home-built SSB equipment. The first article about single-sideband suppressed carrier (ssbsc) transmission appeared in "*Break-In*" in 1948.

NZART works in the interests of all radio amateurs in New Zealand and needs the support of your continuing membership. Suggest to others that they join NZART too. See: <u>http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/join/join.html</u>

Contests with Stan White ZL2ST:

Upcoming contests are:

November 8/10 2300-2300 UTC (Fri/Sun) Japan International Phone DX Contest November 9/10 0000-2400 UTC (Sat/Sun) Worked All Europe RTTY DX Contest

CHATHAM ISLANDS:

Not quite all contesting, but we did have 5,500 QSOs in the CQ Worldwide SSB contest from the Chathams in about 30 of the contest's 48 hours. The ZL7C team entered the new multi-2 category with 2 transceivers, one on 10 and 20 metres and the other on 15 and 40 metres. CW continued on all bands during the contest.

The ZL7C team consisted of Leader Ken ZL4HU, Bob ZL3TY, Wilbert ZL2BSJ, Murray ZL1CN, Stan ZL2ST, Hiro JF1OCQ/W1VX, Reinhard DF4TD, Steve G4EDG, Paul WF5T, Al K3VN, Dave KW4DA and Bill N2WB. ZL based team members who put in hours of work for the DXpedition were webmaster Gordon ZL2ARN and pilot Lee ZL2AL. In 11 days we had 72,200 QSOs well exceeding our expectations and placing us at number 10 in the world's top DXpeditions list.

We operated 24 hours a day on SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK31, SSTV etc using two antennas for each band (one for phone and one for digital - simultaneous use on 10, 15 and 20) and eight HF transmitters. On VHF Bob ZL3TY used another rig to make QSOs with 136 JAs and several ZLs on 6 metres plus four 2 metre moonbounce QSOs with stations in the USA.

All the stats are not yet available but the 160 metre total was 380 QSOs all on CW. Logs and digital photos were uploaded to our website daily by pactor via ZL2ARN. Look at our website at <u>http://www.qsl.net/zl7c/</u> for photos of the operation, the search log and more information about ZL7C.

Dates To Remember:

- Closing Date for Nov/Dec Break In 10th November
- Next HQ-Info-Line e-mailed on Sunday 17th November
- Next NZART Official Broadcast 24th November
- **30 November 2002.** A rebate of \$10 applies if your 2003 subscription is paid before this date.

73

Jim Meachen ZL2BHF

Editor