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Seasons greetings everyone,

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NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:

Remits

This a final call for remits to ensure they are received at headquarters by 31st December 2002. If you do not receive acknowledgment of your remit before or on this date please advise as soon as possible.

Faulty Break In Nov/Dec Issue

On behalf of Wyatt and Wilson the Break In Printers I would like to apologise to all those members who recently received a faulty copy. I have received a number of queries from people, who requested another copy, however if you did get a Break In with pages missing/duplicated, please return them to me. I have asked the printers to reprint a further 100 copies to cover those who find themselves with this problem.

Elections

Finals call also for election nominations for President and Council of NZART. These must be received at this office no later than 31 December 2002.

Branch Circulars.

All Branch circulars have now been mailed out to Secretaries, Included with the

- Break In Editor's update on procedures
- NZART application form 2003
- Financial status of NZART up to November 2002
- Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest forms
- Election nomination forms
- Call Book survey form**
- NZART Calendar
- Examination ERN official form.
- ** The call book survey is also attached to this Info-Line those of you wish to complete and return to me by mid January.

Examinations

Included with the Branch circular were the official application forms for amateur radio examinations. I have written a letter to all examiners previously listed by Anne ZL1TAF. I now ask, that should your branch be considering a change to your examination supervisor, to please complete the attached application form and post to me at your earliest convenience.

Procedures for examinations have not changed significantly. The official ERN forms have returned to the blue colour with an NZART watermark through the centre of the form. However your Branch number now precedes the application number followed by 001 etc. This number is to be placed on all documentation regarding an applicant. In the instance of a failed result, it is anticipated that a Branch will not recharge an applicant, providing they resit the exam within a reasonable timeframe (e.g. three months). If this occurs, the applicant must produce his/her receipt from the initial sitting, which confirms and verifies proof of payment.

Lake Hood Award

In January Ashburton Branch is running the award for the Lake Hood Aquafest Details as follows:

ZL6AF Lake Hood Aquatic Day award between 16th and 23rd January 2003

Points required: 10

Points Given: ZL6AF 5 points, Club Station 3 points, Club officers 2 points

Club members 1 point.

For Award certificates. Send log sheets and \$5 by the 31st January 2003 to:-

G Mattingley ZL3AQ

89 Creek Rd

.Ashburton 8300

That's all from HQ for 2002 – have a happy and safe holiday season. See you all in the New Year.

BREAK-IN:

Break-In ERRATA - There is an oops in the article about the Jamboree as printed in the latest Break-In. It seems that a "2" has been dropped off the starting date for the Jamboree. It should read "28th Dec, not "8". Apologies from ZL3IB Editor.

CONTESTS:

Seasons greetings to all from the NZART Contests Team. There are few contests over the Christmas break and it is time to start preparing for the Jock White Memorial Field Day weekend on 23/24 February. Get a team together and give it a go. 73 & Seasons greetings - Stan ZL2ST.

DID YOU KNOW:

That the 40-metre amateur band is on the agenda for the World Radio Conference WRC-03 being held by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) next year? The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), of which NZART is a member society, has the objective of a 300 kHz-wide world-wide band exclusive for radio amateurs in the vicinity of 7 MHz. Extensive preparations are underway. You can read about this work at: http://www.iaru.org/7-MHz-Spectrum.pdf - a 26-page booklet in colour, a 600 kB .pdf file.

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: http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/join/join.html

BRANCH SPOT:

The Editor ZL2BHF comments - this particular segment of HQIL has been well received with many Branches reporting a significant increase in hits to their web page after the address has featured in HQ Info-Line. Some Branches have not featured because the information contained on their web page is very out of date. Your Branch web page, a shop window to the world! How up to date is your Branch web page? Check it now at http://www.amateur.radio.org.nz/nzart/Branches/



Dates To Remember:

- Next Official Broadcast Sunday 22nd December
- Remits for consideration at NZART 2003 Conference MUST be received at HQ by 31st December 2002.
- First HQ-Info-Line for 2003 e-mailed on Sunday 12th January

Season Greetings to you all.

73

Jim Meachen ZLZBHF

Editor