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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:

Call Book Survey

All members are requested to **please complete the attached call book survey**. This form will also be included in Break In, however in order for Council to prepare budgets for the year, we need this completed and returned as soon as possible. Council will also be discussing this on their agenda at the face to face meeting in February.

Council Elections no longer required.

In the 12 January of HQ Info line, I advised that an election will be held in the Northern Zone, however this is no longer necessary.

I hereby declare that no election is required and the following nominees are duly elected Councillors effective from the 2003 Annual General Meeting.

Results of Council nominations for 2003 – 2005 as prepared by the Returning officer Evan Sayer are as follows:

President: A P Norden ZL2SJ

Northern District: Don Ewen ZL1DTE (3 Required) Ted Minchin ZL1MT Tony Case ZL1UD Central:Roy SimonZL2KH(3 Required)Gavin SmithZL2ACT

Bruce Douglas ZL2WP

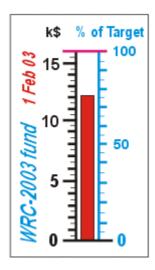
Midlands: John Hirtzel ZL3ADF

(2 Required) Vacancy – 1 Nomination received only

Southern: Vacancy

(1Required) No nominations received

Final total received for WRC-03



The final date for donations to WRC-03 was 31st December 2002. Total donations received were \$12076.34. This figures includes a bequest to the Association of \$2260.34 from a former member in Waipukurau.

FMTAG Notes

The latest FMTAG notes and recommendations as for the Jan - Feb issue of Break-In are also attached to this issue of Info Line

'til next time....

CONTESTS with Stan ZL2ST:

Upcoming contests are:

February 8/9 2100-0100 UTC (Sat/Sun) RSGB 160 M CW Contest. February 8/9 0000-2400 UTC (Sat/Sun) CQ/RJ Worldwide RTTY WPX Contest. February 15/16 0000-2400 UTC (Sat/Sun) ARRL International CW DX Contest February 22/23 0200-1100 & 1700-0200 UTC 2003 Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest Are you ready for the Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest? Get a station together and give it a go even if you can only do 3 hours operating. Minimum contact numbers to qualify are 50 phone or 25 CW.

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) in the year 2003? 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:

To celebrate 50 years since the formation of the Franklin Amateur Radio Club, a dinner and get-together will be held in Pukekohe on **Saturday**, **24th of MAY 2003** for members and former members of the Club.

If you are interested in attending, please register with Tom McDonald **before the 10th of MAY 2003** so that firm bookings can be made. Registration fee of \$20.00 per person. Tom can be contacted at 25 John St, Pukekohe, or e-mail tom.mcdonald@xtra.co.nz

Technology Convention - Hamilton, Easter 2003

Next Easter, April 19th & 20th 2003, Technology Convention will be hosted by the Hamilton Amateur Radio Club. We will be using the premises of the Hamilton Astronomical Society, located in Brymer Road, Hamilton, which is adjacent to the Hamilton Zoo and has plenty of parking. If the weather permits, we will be able to view the night sky from the optical telescope.

On Friday evening, 18th April, our Clubrooms at 88 Seddon Road, Hamilton, will be used for early check-ins and a social chat from 7:30pm onwards. A listening watch will be kept on the 695 repeater for anybody who feels they are lost. Some soup and bread rolls will be available for those requiring sustenance.

Final programme details are still to be finalized as we go to print. So keep an eye on "HQ-Info-Line" for those details and any further Convention news. It is planned to have forums and presentations on such subjects as microwave equipment construction, homebrew test equipment, APRS, 10 GHz ATV, plus others state of the art Amateur radio disciplines.

Convention can be an enjoyable weekend of learning about new technologies and of fellowship with other Radio Amateurs. **Complete the Registration attached to this issue of HQ-Info-Line** and mail it early as only the first one hundred registrations can be accepted. Further details and a map showing how to get to the venue will be mailed out with your receipt after your registration has been processed.

If you have any enquiry about the Technology Convention, write to:

Technology Convention – 2003 PO Box 606 Hamilton

Or email Gavin Petrie at gavinwp@ihug.co.nz

Dates To Remember:

- Next HQ-Info-Line e-mailed on Sunday 16th February.
- Jock White Memorial Field-Day Contest February 22nd & 23rd
- Next NZART Official Broadcast Sunday 23rd February.
- Technology Convention 2003 in Hamilton 19th & 20th April
- NZART Conference 2003 Solway Park, Masterton over Queen's Birthday Weekend.

73

Jim Meachen ZL2BHF

Editor

NZART Call-Book; membership survey

Over the past four years NZART HQ have received many suggestions as to how improvements might be made to our *Call Book*. Unfortunately many of these improvements could have financial implications that would increase the price which, in turn, could lead to an increase in subscriptions.

Nevertheless the Business Management Committee wish to gauge the feelings of the membership and what you, as a member, want with future issues of *Call Book*.

This is your opportunity to express your opinions on future Call Book publication.

Please tick $\lceil \sqrt{\rceil}$ any of the suggestions listed below that you support.					
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Status quo	[]				
Full Call Book; annually	[]				
Biennial (full one year, economy version following year)					
On CD ROM					
Web access (members only)	[]				
NZART Membership without Call Book (ie purchase separately)					
Any additional comments/suggestions:					
Please photocopy, or tear out, and post your reply to;					
NZART					
PO Box 40 525					
Upper Hutt					

NB: Please include your Call Sign

Technology Convention – Hamilton, Easter 2003 April 19th & 20th

Venue: Hamilton Astronomical Society Clubrooms, Brymer Rd., Hamilton

Registrations MUST be in by 9 April 2003, and will be limited to the first 100. Because of catering requirements there will be NO door sales.						
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Please make cheques payable to: Hamilton Amateur Radio Club Inc.						
Accommodation is your responsibility Technical lectures, presentations and other details will be published in HQ-Info-Line						