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Greetings Everyone,

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NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:

After an exceptionally busy couple of weeks on the home front, I am finally back on board here at HQ.

Increase in prices - Due to rising costs, there has been a significant increase in the production of logbooks. As the demand for these reduces, I am forced to only order small quantities at a time, which means they cost more. I know the jump from \$7.80 to \$20 is high and would seem to be excessive, however I have been selling these books for the same price for well over 5 years. This means for the past 3 years I am selling them at below cost and can no longer continue to do so. For those of you who are using these books, where possible could you please advise what your requirements are so that I may order larger quantities and reduce production costs.

Call Book on CD Rom order form -Attached to this HQ Info-line issue is an order form for the call book on CD Rom 2004. If you have not returned your order and wish to receive this special 'free' offer next year, please complete and return to me as soon as possible. This offer is in addition to the current hard copy version of call book. If I have not received payment of your 2004 subscription before 31 January 2004, your order will not be included in the production.

Promotional Ideas - Thank you to the many people who have submitted their ideas on how to promote amateur radio and ensure its part in the future of technology. When the next HQ Info-line is due for release I will be in Auckland and have taken part in a "think tank" with a number of other amateur radio enthusiasts. I will advise the outcome of this meeting in due course.

Bye for now. Debby ZL2TDM

Contests with Stan White ZL2ST:

The Oceania Contests are almost upon us. The SSB event is on the first weekend of October (4/5) from 0800 UTC Saturday to 0800 UTC Sunday. The CW event is a week later during the same hours (October 11/12). Give it a go even if only for a short period and help make ZL available for the rest of the world. Rules are in July/August Break In and are on website www.oceaniadxcontest.com or via the NZART contest webpage http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/update/contests/rules.html

Other events are:

September 27/28 1200-1200 UTC (Sat/Sun) Scandinavian SSB Activity September 27/28 0000-2400 UTC (Sat/Sun) CQ/RJ Worldwide RTTY Contest

Corrected Pacific 160 Metre Contest Full Single Operator CW section results:

- 1. VK3ZL Bob 2880 points
- 2. ZL1JG Ron 1079
- 3. ZL2BR Frank 1030
- 4. VK3ET John 310
- 5. W7LR Bob 80
- 6. K6SE Earl 5

Results 2003 DOUG GORMAN MEMORIAL FREQUENCY MEASURING CONTEST

Official Frequencies: 3890.001, 3870.000, 3778.999

Norm Edward Shield (complex equipment)

(call/name/branch/error 1/error 2/error 3/average/equipment) – indicates negative error.

ZL1UF Derek Fortune 02 0 0 0 0.0 TS680, audio filter, frequency counter.

ZL4OL Mike McAlevey 30 -1 0 0 0.3 IC-R75 & computer

ZL4LV Peter Johnson 30 -2 0 0 0.7 Branch 30 HF trancvr & counter (home built)

ZL1DK David Karrasch 65 -1 0 -1 0.7 TS430S & computer

ZL1BOE Chris Muir 21 -1 0 -1 0.7 Icom-706 & computer

ZL2CA Bob Vernall 50 0 1 1 0.7 TS-850 & computer

ZL1ALZ John Basillie 65 -1 3 0 1.3 TS 440S & computer

ZL1AKY Geoff Reed 65 -2 -2 -2 2.0 R600, Counter & beat VFO

ZL1JG Ron Dent 03 -1 0 -11 4.0 FT-767GX scope & computer

ZL4RW Bill Bailey 30 -2 -2 21 8.3 FT847 & audio frequency counter

ZL2AYF Brian Amies 42 -9 10 9 9.3 IC-728

ZL1AMR Ivan Lindsay 21 -11 -11 -11 11.0 IC-706 & computer

ZL3AGS Jim Lovell 68 31 34 1 22.0 FRG-7 & counter

ZL1TO Tom McDonald 2 0 -4201 1401.0 IC-745 & computer

ZL1WI Roy Milam 03 -4 0 -20001 6668.3 FT-767 & computer

John McKim Cup (simple equipment)

ZL3PN George Boorer 34 1 0 -1 0.7 TS530S

ZL2TKY Ken Pattle 42 1 -10 -1 4.0 FT757GX

ZL2ABB S Campbell 20 11 0 -11 7.3 TS-440sat

ZL2AUA Mike Burch 42 -9 10 -11 10.0 IC735 pair Mk1 Zero beat detectors (ears)

ZL4IS Bernie Smirk 30 281 85 -51 139.0 AOR-5000

ZL3ABY Kevin O'Sullivan 49 -499 60 49 202.7 FT-757GX ZL1VRR Ross Reddell 03 -1045 2067 -460 1190.7 IC-706 ZL1VKG Callum Moates 28 -1999 1900 -1001 1633.3 IC-730

Norm Edwards Shield (Branch Award)

Papakura Branch 65

Contest Organiser's Comments:

There was a good turn out with 23 entrants for this year's contest. We also had three check logs making a total of 26 logs. The impending change in the amateur licence regulations will hopefully see an increase in the number of amateurs taking part. We congratulate **Derek ZL1UF** a stalwart of the contest, for his perfect winning score **0.0 Hz** error to take the **Norm Edwards Shield** and **George ZL3PN** winning effort of **0.7 Hz** error in winning the **Jim McKim Cup**. The **Branch Award** was hotly contested this year, **Papakura Branch 65** managed to win it once again with a scored error of only 4 Hz, but look out, Otago Branch 30 is out to get it, their error this year was a creditable 9.3 Hz.

Thanks for all the mail we receive with your entries. We enjoy running this event, (we hesitate to call it a contest) and gain a great deal of pleasure from reading your comments. It will be quite interesting to see if we all can increase the number of entries next year. **Till then, 73 from Gavin ZL2ACT & Neil ZL2TNG**.

Dates To Remember:

- Next NZART Official Broadcast 8pm & 9pm on Sunday 28 September
- Next HQ-Info-Line E-mailed on Sunday 5th October
- Straight Key Night Sunday, 2nd November 2003

73

Jim Meachen ZL2BHF

Editor

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