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Greetings Everyone!

Welcome to the final **Headquarters-Info-Line** for 2005.

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The NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:

Hi all, yet another fortnight gone and still have to do Christmas shopping and cards! Thanks for all your support through 2005. It has been yet another reasonably successful year with the membership promotion adding another 141 members.

Promoting amateur radio... Papakura Branch recently contacted me, among others, desperately seeking promotional material for amateur radio. This branch has contacted MOTAT, (Museum of Transport & Technology) and has arranged for a Live display at this famous museum during the month of February. If any of you have any suggestions or ideas that you would like to see our Association produce for such advertising, please let me know as soon as possible.

Remits... Branches have you prepared your remits to send to me before the end of the year? Not long to go now.

Subscriptions... The rebate period for subscriptions has now expired. Please send me your payment before the end of December to ensure you receive your January/February issue.

I'm taking a Break... Yes I will be away from the office from Christmas Eve to the 17th January 2006. This is a reminder to get everything to me before Christmas to enable all urgent matters to be actioned before the break.

May you all have a very happy, safe and prosperous Christmas and New Year.

Talk again in 2006...Debby ZL2TDM

FMTAG Notes:

At its December meeting, NZART Council approved publication of the following FMTAG Notes.

Spectrum Management and Registration Technology (SMART) - The Radio Spectrum Management Group, of the Ministry of Economic Development, launched its new on-line SMART service at the end of November. All licence holders will have received a letter from the MED, containing their Client Key and Client Password, for accessing SMART services. This letter should be kept in a safe place and, as with the information on an EFTPOS or Credit Card, should not be e-mailed or divulged to any unauthorised person.

Call Book Updates

Branch 56, Christchurch West, has advised that its three BBS stations have closed down. Please delete the three entries from the table on page 4-5 of Call Book, and from the map on page 4-7.

Branch 74, The Wellington VHF Group, advises that the 850 repeater on Mount Victoria has been closed down and replaced by a new repeater installation on 950.

On page 4-5 of Call Book, please amend: Mount Victoria 850 to Mount Victoria 950, and the output frequency to 439.500 MHz. Please make the same amendment to the bottom left-hand corner of the map on page 4-2.

Interim Recommendations to NZART Council.

Branch 28 Whangarei has applied to relocate its 870 repeater to Parahaki, Map Reference NZ260 Q07 318089. An engineering evaluation confirms that the repeater will not interfere with the other 870 repeaters, and can remain on its existing frequency (repeater transmit frequency 438.700 MHz, repeater receive frequency 433.700 MHz).

Branch 30 Otago has applied to establish a simplex 70 cm repeater at Saddle Hill, Mosgiel, Map Reference NZ260 I44 055746. We have selected 820, being a repeater transmit and receive frequency of 438.200 MHz, as being the most suitable. We have also reserved the repeater receive frequency of 433.200 MHz for future conversion to a standard duplex repeater.

Branch 30 Otago has applied to establish a simplex 70 cm repeater at Highcliff, Map Reference NZ260 I44 231779. We have selected 830, being a repeater transmit and receive frequency of 438.300 MHz, as being the most suitable. We have also reserved the repeater receive frequency of 433.300 MHz for future conversion to a standard duplex repeater.

Branch 46 Wairarapa has applied for a power increase for its Castlepoint 5675 repeater, map reference U26 820346. An engineering evaluation confirms that the repeater will not interfere with the other 5675 repeaters, and can remain on its existing frequency (repeater transmit frequency 145.675 MHz, repeater receive frequency 145.075 MHz).

Branch 66 Auckland VHF has applied to establish a 2 metre APRS station at Whitford, Map Reference NZ260 R11 898705. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz in accordance with the band plan.

Branch 66 Auckland VHF has applied to establish a 70 cm APRS station at Whitford, Map Reference NZ260 R11 898705. The transmit and receive frequency will be 432.575 MHz in accordance with the band plan.

Final Recommendations to NZART Council - None this month.

Comments - Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz or by mail to **FMTAG, c/- NZART, PO Box 40-525, Upper Hutt.**

Applications - Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available from the above address, in paper or electronic versions, or in Word or pdf versions on the NZART web site at: <http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/nzart/fmtag.html>
Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz or by mail to **FMTAG, c/- NZART, PO Box 40-525, Upper Hutt.**

HAMADs Information from the Editor of Break-In:

Please send your HAMAD to The Advertising Manager, Break-In, PO Box 1733, Christchurch.
If possible use the HAMAD form on p2 (reverse side) of your BI address sheet.

*Please **do not** send HAMADs to NZART HQ.* This causes extra work and delays; so you may miss the closing date!

Thanks.

John Walker ZL3IB, Editor.

Amateur Licence Statistics from the Ministry of Economic Development's web site with Tony Case ZL1UD:

Statistics					
Amateur Radio Licensing Statistics					
Category					
	<u>Nov. 25, 03</u>	<u>Nov.24.0 4</u>	<u>Sept.21.0 5</u>	<u>Oct.25. 05</u>	<u>Nov.22.0 5</u>
Grade					
General Grade	3155	4700	4756	4771	4780
Limited Grade	1516				
Novice Grade	12	11	9	9	9
Total Amateur Licenses Issued	4683	4711	4765	4780	4789
Beacons	42	42	44	44	44
Digi-peaters	28	29	27	27	28
Fixed	2	2	1	1	
Repeaters	211	245	261	261	275
TV Repeaters	19	42	40	40	40
Total Beacons Repeaters and Links		360	373	373	387
Total Licenses	4985	5071	5138	5153	5176

NZART Contests and Activities with John Powell ZL1BHQ:

H-NITE - Thanks to all who participated in the activity. Band conditions were not of the best - the approaching weather frontal system certainly created a lot of QRN. I understand that similar conditions were experienced during the original event. Again thanks to all who took part. Logs can be sent to me at my Callbook address, or emailed (preferably in Excel format) to me at zl1bhq@paradise.net.nz

Upcoming NZART contests

25/26 Feb. 2006 - Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest - refer 2004/5 Callbook Page 5-2 and Nov/Dec Break In for Rules, etc. Also available on the NZART Web Page. Click on the url below.
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/Update/Contests/2005_JOCK_WHITE_MEMORIAL_FIELD_DAY_RULES.htm

Other Contests for December 2005

Croatian CW Contest	1400Z, Dec 17 to 1400Z, Dec 18
Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Dec 17 to 1500Z, Dec 18
International Naval Contest	1600Z, Dec 17 to 1600Z, Dec 18
ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint	2000Z-2400Z, Dec 18
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0400Z, Dec 19
RAEM Contest	0200Z-0959Z, Dec 25
Holiday Milliwatt CW Contest	1800Z, Dec 25 to 0200Z, Dec 26 and 1800Z, Dec 26 to 0200Z, Dec 27 and 1800Z, Dec 27 to 0200Z, Dec 28

DARC Christmas Contest

Dates To Remember:

- NZART Official Broadcast next **Sunday 18th December 2005**
- First HQ-Info-Line for 2006, E-mailed Sunday 15th January 2006



This is the final HQ-Info-Line for 2005.

Seasons Greetings to you all.

73

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Editor