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Greetings Everyone

Welcome to Headquarters-Infoline a twice-monthly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters e-mailed directly to Branches and to others that subscribe through the NZART Website. This bulletin is also distributed on the amateur radio packet network.

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Debby says...

Not a lot this week, for some strange reason! I have been so busy processing subscription payments that I haven't had time for much else.

I would like to thank the quite considerable number of members who have chosen to pay their subs via Internet. It makes life so much easier and saves you money as well by not paying postage.

Thank you too, to those of you who have once again elected to donate their 2009 rebate to the Association - there is always something that this money can be put to and this year is no exception. We are currently in negotiations regarding the HQ rent. Regrettably it has increased, however we cannot afford to pay the initial proposed increase the landlord has made. It is open for negotiation so hopefully we will have an outcome that suits him and us.

Running an office is not an easy task as there are a number of small things that need to be looked at - such as access, car parking, safety, adequate lighting/ventilation etc, all things imposed not by me or the Association as my employer, but of course by OSH. Therefore when going into negotiations of any kind all things must be considered, so I thank Evan and Council for their considerable time and effort that they put in to make sure all these things are covered - all voluntary.

If you feel you have something to offer the Association either in a business or radio related way, please consider standing for Council.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2TDM

IARU Region 3 Directors Meet Date : 22-AUGUST-2008 Author : Michael Owen - VK3KI

The IARU Region 3 Directors met in Tokyo over two and a half days from 20 to 22 August 2008, hosted by Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL).

The Directors are Chairman Michael Owen VK3KI, Shizuo Endo, JE1MUI, Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN and Joong-Geun Rhee, HL1AQQ. They were assisted by Secretary Keigo Komuro, JA1KAB and Assistant Secretary Jay Oka JA1TRC. IARU Vice President Tim Ellam VE6SH also participated in the meeting.

The Directors reviewed the ITU World Radiocommunication Conference that had been held in Geneva in November 2007 (WRC-07). The next WRC will be held in 2011 (WRC-11) and has agenda items that may directly and indirectly affect the amateur services. The Directors recognised the importance of ensuring that those involved in the preparation for that Conference at a regional and national level are kept fully informed.

IARU Region 3 will be represented at the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (the APT) Preparatory Group Meetings for WRC-11 (APG-2011). JARL has offered to host the fifth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference, GAREC-2009, in Tokyo next, to be held in conjunction with the JARL Ham Fair. The Directors believe that amateurs have a very important role to play in emergency communications and took steps to ensure that the Region participates in the GAREC-2009.

The Directors again decided to urge member societies to approach their administrations to remove any national regulations that inhibited amateurs from either meeting emergency communication needs or practising to meet such needs. The Directors congratulated the Chinese Radio Sports Association (CRSA) on the outstanding contribution of the Chinese radio amateurs in support of the humanitarian response to the tragic earthquake in May 2008. The Directors carefully considered the report of Manohar Arasu VU2UR, the Regional Monitoring System Coordinator on relation to the broadcasts from Sound of Hope in Taiwan on amateur bands and will urge member societies to approach their administrations requesting that they object to the Taiwanese administration about these breaches of the Radio Regulations.

IARU Region 3, assisted by the Thai national society, Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST), will participate in Telecom Asia 2008 in Bangkok, Thailand in the first week of September this year, to promote amateur radio. The next IARU Region 3 Conference will be held in Christchurch New Zealand in October 2009, hosted by New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART). The Directors reviewed the preparations for this Conference and hope to provide final details for member societies by the end of this year. They are confident that it will be very successful.

In closing the meeting the Chairman acknowledged the time and meaningful contribution made by all Directors since their last meeting in August last year. He said that it is important that all amateurs recognise the importance of the work of the IARU in protecting their privileges.

WIA's Club Grant Scheme

Date : 21-AUGUST-2008 Author : Geoff Atkinson - VK3AFA

On 28 July 2008 applications for grants under the WIA's Club Grant Scheme closed.

This year, the Board increased the total Grants to \$6,000 and the Scheme was broken into two sections, one part providing for up to three grants of up to a total of \$3,000 for useful but not innovative projects or activities, including projects involving repeaters or associated links. The other part will be for projects or activities that are innovative, with provision for up to three grants up to a total of \$3,000.

15 applications for Grants were received from clubs across Australia.

The Grant Committee this year consists of Don Wilschefski VK4BY, Deane Blackman VK3TX and Bob Fincher VK3BRF

DEANE BLACKMAN PhD, MEngSc, BMechE, has been VK3TX since 1968, and has previously held a number of WIA offices. He spent most of his life as an academic at Monash University. He retired as Associate Professor in 2003.

BOB FINCHER BE (Elec), FIEAust has been VK3BRF since licensed in 1987. He worked with ICI Australia/Orica Engineering for 27 years in general engineering and project management. He is a Tektronix and HP Test Equipment "tragic". He retired in 2003.

DON WILSCHEFSKI BE (Elec) VK4BY was first licenced in 1975 and works as Chief Electrical Engineer in Mining. Don is Chairman of the Queensland WIA Advisory Committee, a member of Rockhampton & District ARC and his local Rotary club. His radio interests include satellite communication.

The Grant Committee will be submitting their recommendations to the WIA Board by 29 August and results will be announced shortly afterwards.

Geoff Atkinson VK3AFA Secretary

Waitakere Sprint Contest Results 2008 Loq SSB CW Total Score SSB CW SSB&CW Award VK5NJ 1st VK SSB Only VK4FW 2nd VK SSB Only VK2LCD 3rd VK SSB Only VK3HJ VK4ZD VK2RD * VK4VCH ZL1SWW 1st ZL1 SSB only VK4ATH ZL2CQ/1 * ZL4AZ 1st ZL4 SSB only ZL3GL 1st ZL3 SSB only VK3ZPF ZL2SKY * 1st ZL2 SSB only VK2FAJM ZL4KJ VK4FJ VK3BTV ZL1VRR VK3KTM VK4BIF Check log SSB CW Total Score SSB CW SSB&CW Loq Award ZLĪPC 1st ZL1 CW only ZL1ANY ZL1BYZ ZL3TE/1 * ZL2APV 1st ZL2 CW only 1st VK CW only VK307 ZL2JU * ZL2AVL 2nd VK CW only VK3QB 1st ZL3 CW only ZL3AB * ZL4JB 1st ZL4 CW only ZL4AS VK3JS 3rd VK CW only VK6AF VK2HV Check log ZL2AOH Check log CW SSB Total Score SSB CW SSB&CW Award Log ZL1DK 1st ZL1 SSB&CW VK4SN 1st VK SSB&CW ZL2AUA 1st ZL2 SSB&CW ZL1ALZ ZL2LF ZL3NB * 1st ZL3 SSB&CW

ZL4IM	25	14	39	78	7
ZL1FAV	33	5	38	76	8
ZL1WI *	16	22	38	76	8
ZL1RP	22	14	36	72	10
ZL1IJ	26	5	31	62	11
VK8AV	12	18	30	60	12
ZL2AJB	10	20	30	60	12
* Correcti	on to	original	results	posted.	20080905-1140

David ZL1DK

Contest News VHF-UHF Contest Notes The Next Contest The next contest is the Microwave Contest

All bands 614 MHz and up. Saturday 4-October, and Sunday 5-October-2008

The rules are available at:

HTTP://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/update/contests/vhfcontestrules0606.html

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

or:

Contest Manager, Wellington VHF Group, P.O. Box 12-259, Thorndon, Wellington

HF Contests From NZART Contests Manager

An interesting selection of contesting activities this weekend catering for the interests of most. A FIST Activity should be an interesting activity and no doubt will have a sore wrist, or two afterwards.

This week's bulletin has had a change in layout to overcome a problem in me "cutting and pasting" from a Word document to Outlook Express - that accounted for the corruption of material that has occurred with this bulletin - a classic case is the results posted last week of the 2008 Memorial Contest.

CONTESTS RESULTS

1-RESULTS	OF 2007	CQWW RTTY	DX CONTI	EST		
CALL	QSO	ZONES	CNTRIES	POINTS	CLASS	PLACING
ZL1BYZ	333	50	90	188100	SOLP	lst ZL
ZM2A	784	80	154	772800	SOHP	lst ZL
(Op ZL2BR)						
ZLJTE	244	19	40	69440	SO40m	lst ZL
(Op W3SE)						

2-RESULTS	OF 2008	ARRL INTE	ERNATIONAL (CW CONTEST	
CALL	QSO	MULTS	POINTS	CLASS	PLACING
ZL4PW	381	124	141732	SOAB LP	1st ZL
ZM3A	1430	58	248820	SO 40m	4thWW
(Op ZL3WW))				
ZM2B	905	158	428970	SOAB HP	1st ZL
ZM1A	2213	217	1440663	MS AB	9th WW
2-(Ops. ZI	L1AIH, ZI	L1GO, VK21	IA, ZL1BHQ)		

3-RESULTS	OF 2008	ARRL INTE	RNATIONAL	PHONE CONTEST	
CALL	QSO	MULTS.	POINTS	CLASS	PLACING
ZL4PW	216	79	49770	SO LP	lst ZL
ZL4JB	50	26	3900	SO LP	
ZL2AWH	110	38	12426	SO 15m	lstZL 15m
ZL3A	1203	56	200592	SO 40m	1st ZL OC
(Op ZL3WW)					

4-RESULTS OF 2007 COWW WPX CW CONTEST

ALL	QSO	MULTS	POINTS	CATEGORY	PLACI	NG	
ZL3TE	379	195	311805	All Band	lst Z	L	
(Op W3SE)							
ZL2AL	168	124	109492	All Band			
ZM3A	1547	666	6043950	SO 40m	2nd W	W	
(Op ZL3WW)							
ZM1A	1849	640	5163520	All Band MS	1st 00	С	
(Ops ZL1AIH,ZL1GO,ZL1BHQ)							

2008 OCEANIA CONTESTS - ALL BAND SSB AND CW

When- SSB Contest - 0800 UTC, 04-October-2008 until 0800 UTC 5-October-2008 CW Contest - 0800 UTC, 11-October-2008 until 0800 UTC, 12-October-2008

Updated Contest Rules and other operating information is available from the Contest Website -

http://www.oceaniacontests.com/

Please give your support to these contests which are a jointly organized event by NZART and our Trans Tasman neighbours, the WIA.

2008 CQ WORLD WIDE CONTESTS

When : SSB Contest, 0000Z, 25-October until 0000Z 02-October-2008 CW Contest, 0000Z, 29-November until 0000Z 30-November-2008

Considered to be the premier global contesting activities and a particular test of skill and endurance. A great source of working rare countries specially activated for these contests. Contest Rules and other operating information will follow in due course.

OTHER FORTHCOMING CONTESTS

WAE DX Contest,0000Z, Sep-13 to 2359Z, Sep-14Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW1200Z, Sep-20 to 1200Z, Sep-21CIS DX Contest1200Z, Sep-20 to 1200Z, Sep-21CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY0000Z, Sep-27 to 2400Z, Sep-28UBA ON Contest, CW0600Z-1000Z, Sep-28

The 2008 Waitakere Sprints results are listed separately and thanks to David, ZL1DK.

Geoff, ZL1AKY and the Papakura Branch Team for organising this year's event.

More next week.

73 John powell. ZL1BHQ NZART Contest Manager

Upcoming Events

Manawatu Table Sale - Saturday 4-October-2008 DayBreaker® Rally 2008 - Saturday 11-October-2008 2008 Silver Fern Rally - 16-October-2008 Branch 22

Wellington Region Expo - Saturday, 04-April-2009 See http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/update/events/index.html

for further details.

Break-In and Infoline Information Break-In Closing Date Reminders

1. From the Editor Break-In, Official Journal of NZART Inc. "Copy for the SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER issue of Break-In closes on 10-SEPTEMBER-2008. Early receipt of copy is much appreciated. Thanks, John ZL3IB, Editor"

2. Copy for the AREC Break-In Column

The close-of-copy date is the 03-SEPTEMBER-2008 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: <u>zl3qr@nzart.org.nz</u> or <u>zl3ov@nzart.org.nz</u>. Regards, Geoff ZL3QR

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OB 2008 8pm Sunday: Sep-28 Oct-26 Nov-30 Dec-21

* NZART Official Broadcast Sunday 28-SEPTEMBER-2008 * and

* Next HQ-Info-Line e-mailed on Sunday 21-SEPTEMBER-2008 *

Infoline 2008 Sunday: Sep-07-21 Oct-05-19 Nov-09-23 Dec-07-21 Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor <u>zl2nn@nzart.org.nz</u>