

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 173 23-November-2008

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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Official Broadcast this month is on SUNDAY 30-NOVEMBER-2008 Next Infoline is to be e-mailed on SUNDAY 07-DECEMBER-2008

From The NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Debby says...

Repeater Payments: I understand that some branches are paying directly into the NZART bank account. If so can you PLEASE ensure you:

a) advise me of the payment and

b) enter your branch details at the time of depositing the funds.

Failure to do so will result in your licenses lapsing as I will not be able to identify what branch has paid.

Once payment has been received by me, I will forward an invoice notated with PAID in red on it - if you do not receive this within one week of making the payment, you can safely assume that I haven't received it

Elections: Attached to this issue of HQ Info-line is a nomination form for Council elections. We urgently seek members who are able to able represent fellow amateurs in your regions. Having an election is healthy, not having enough people standing for Council is extremely disappointing so please consider it.

Subscriptions: In the last issue of HQIL (No. 172), I advised I was sending out reminders for payments, however believe it or not due to the incredible response to what I said, I have not had time to prepare them - Therefore you have only 7 days left to pay your subscription and be eligible for the \$10 rebate.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2TDM

FMTAG NOTES Renewal of Repeater, Beacon and Link Licences

190 licences have been renewed out of the 266 licences needing to be renewed before 2359 NZT on the 30th of November.

Licences not renewed will be automatically cancelled by the MED's SMART system. The MED's fee for reinstating a cancelled licence is currently \$400.

As at the close of business, at 2 pm on Friday 21st November, Debby advises that payment had not been received from the following branches:

06 Tararua 23 Marton 29 North Shore 33 Rotorua 38 Taumarunui 51 Eastern BOP 60 Taupo 62 Reefton-Buller 66 Auckland VHF 67 Kawerau

With the 29th and 30th of November (Saturday and Sunday) being non-business days, payments by cheque must be received at NZART HQ no later than Friday the 28th of November, and electronic payments must be made no later than Thursday the 27th November, so that payments can be made to the MED before the licences are cancelled.

Doug, ZL2TAR. Secretary FMTAG.

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Canadian Amateurs Receive Limited 500 kHz Privileges

On November 10, Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) announced that Industry Canada, which regulates Amateur Radio in that country, has accepted an RAC proposal for selected Canadian radio amateurs to operate in the vicinity of 500 kHz....

More information can be obtained from:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/pdf/2008/2008-rac-amateurs-get-500kHz.pdf

Database Of Nets

Steven Muvay ZL2DAT is prepared to make up a list of amateur radio nets, for the interest and information of amateur radio operators in general. The list will be on the NZART website and available to all. If you would like your net to be part of this list please e-mail Steven on <u>zl2dat@nzart.org.nz</u>.

Contest News VHF/UHF/SHF CONTEST NOTES

The next contest is the Field Day Contest, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of December 2008. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZT and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZT.

The following contest is the DX Weekend Contest, on Saturday the 7th and Sunday the 8th of February 2009. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZT and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZT.

The contest rules are available at:

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

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

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

or:

Email: zl2wa@clear.net.nz

Website: www.vhf.org.nz

HF Contests From NZART Contests Manager NEXT WEEKEND NEXT WEEKEND NEXT WEEKEND 2008 CQ WORLD WIDE CONTESTS

CQWW CW Contest, 0000 UTC,29th November through 2359 UTC, 30th November

Considered to be the premier global contesting activities and a particular test of skill and endurance for the international contesting community. Need to improve your new countries score – here is the opportunity to do just that.

A great source of working rare countries specially activated for these contests. Contest Rules and Other Operating Information :-

http://www.cqww.com/

2009 JOCK WHITE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY CONTEST

When:- Saturday, 28 February 2009 and Sunday, 1 March 2009 Times :- Saturday - 1500 NZDT (0200 UTC) until 2359 NZDT (1100UTC) Times :- Sunday - 0600 NZDT (1700UTC) until 1500 NZDT (0200 UTC) Bands :- 80m and 40m Modes :- SSB and CW

Rules :- Please refer NZART Website – <u>www.nzart.org.nz/contests</u>. Updated Rules and other operating information will be included in the November/December Break In Contest column. Additionally, a NZART HQ Circular will be issued in the near future encapsulating the revision of sum of the Contest rules. The Contest Website will also be updated within the next 10 days.

OTHER UPCOMING CONTEST INFORMATION

| CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW | 0000Z, Nov 29 to 2400Z, Nov 30 |
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| ARRL 160-Meter Contest | 2200Z, Dec 5 to 1600Z, Dec 7 |
| ARRL 10-Meter Contest | 0000Z, Dec 13 to 2400Z, Dec 14 |
| OK DX RTTY Contest | 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 20 |
| Croatian CW Contest | 1400Z, Dec 20 to 1400Z, Dec 21 |
| Stew Perry Topband Challenge | 1500Z, Dec 27 to 1500Z, Dec 28 |
| ARRL RTTY Roundup | 1800Z, Jan 3 to 2400Z, Jan 4 |
| Hungarian DX Contest | 1200Z, Jan 17 to 1159Z, Jan 18 |
| UK DX Contest, RTTY | 1200Z, Jan 17 to 1200Z, Jan 18 |
| CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW | 2200Z, Jan 23 to 2159Z, Jan 25 |

REF Contest, CW UBA DX Contest, SSB 0600Z, Jan 24 to 1800Z, Jan 25 1300Z, Jan 24 to 1300Z, Jan 24 to 1300Z, Jan 25

I guess those who anticipate operating in the CQWW CW Contest next weekend will have done the required checks, including the necessary maintenance on their antennae and gear by now. Therefore this coming weekend is not conducive to outdoor activities. However, improvement is predicted from Tuesday onwards, providing a window of opportunity to catch up if necessary.

The lack of an antenna at this QTH is proving somewhat frustrating, but guess once settled in the new place at the Mount will overcome this issue.

73

John Powell. ZL1BHQ, NZART Contest Manager

Upcoming Events - 2009 is not Far Away

On Saturday 07-March-2009, The Te Puke Amateur Radio Club Inc. will be holding their Market Day @ Paengaroa Community Hall.....

Wellington Region Expo - Saturday, 28-March-2009 For Details Please Look at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/update/events/index.html

14th IARU R3 Conference - Christchurch 12 to 16 October 2009 See http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/update/events/iaru-conf.html or www.jarl.or.jp/iaru-r3/.

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

1. From the Editor Break-In, Official Journal of NZART Inc.

"Copy for the JANUARY/FEBRUARY issue of Break-In closes on 10-JANUARY-2009. 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-JANUARY-2009 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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Dates for Official Broadcast (OB) and Head Quarter's Infoline

OB 2008 8pm Sunday: Nov-30 Dec-21

* NZART Official Broadcast Sunday 30-NOVEMBER-2008 * and * Next HQ-Info-Line e-mailed on Sunday 07-DECEMBER-2008 *

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

ELECTORAL Nomination for President and Executive Council period 2009/2010

To: The Returning Officer –Nomination N Z Association of Radio Transmitter Incorporated PO Box 40525 UPPER HUTT 5140

I, the undersigned nominator HEREBY NOMINATE

| | | (ZL |) |
|----------------------------------|----------|-----|-------------|
| First name | Surname | | Callsign |
| For the office(s) of: | | | |
| | | | Tick One |
| President | | | |
| Councillor for the | District | | |
| President AND Councillor for the | District | | |

Select the required alternative and complete as necessary – In the event of the member being elected to both offices the member is deemed by the Association Constitution to prefer the office of President.

I, the undersigned **seconder HEREBY SECOND** this nomination.

I, the undersigned **nominee HEREBY ACCEPT** this nomination.

We, the undersigned nominator, seconder and nominee severally **CERTIFY** that the nominee is an active amateur as defined in paragraph 2.4 of the Association Constitution.

| | Signatur | Signature of Nominator | |
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| tails of nominator: | (ZL | ì | |
| First name | Surname | / Callsigr | |
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Signed by the Seconder:

| | Signature of Seconder | | |
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| Details of seconder | (7) |) | |
| First name | Surname | , Callsign | |
| (no acknowledgement is forwarded to the | seconder) | | |
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| | Signature of Nominee | | |
| Signed by the Nominee: | | | |
| Details of nominee: | | | |
| | (ZL |) | |
| First name | Surname | Callsign | |
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| Address for acknowledg | gement | | |
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NOTES

- 1. Nominations **must** reach the Returning Officer by **31 December 2008.** The Returning Officer has no discretion to receive late nominations even if postmarked prior to that date. **Facsimile nominations cannot be accepted.**
- 2. Allow ample time for transit by post. Holiday mail is often delayed.
- 3. **Nominees** may submit biographical details and photo to the Returning Officer at the address overleaf by **10 January 2009**, for probable inclusion in the January/February 2009 issue of Break In. Endorse the envelope "**BIOGRAPHY**". The Returning Officer, (who has the authority to edit details submitted), suggests a limit of 200 words.
- 4. No nomination should be presumed to be in order until acknowledged in writing usually within seven working days.
- 5. Ensure that addresses are shown above for acknowledgements as often in the heat of the moment, this detail is overlooked.