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1. Debby says . . .

Happy New Year everyone. What an absolutely awesome summer we are having!

Confirmed nominations results for Council are as follows

President:

Stuart Watchman ZL2TW

Northern Electoral District (3 Council Seats)

Neill Ellis ZL1TAJ

Stephen Hayman ZL1TPH

Phillip King ZL1PK

Central Electoral District (3 Council Seats)

Phillip Dobbs ZL4XYZ

Max Wheatley ZL2MAX

Malcolm Wheeler ZL2UDF

Midlands Electoral District (2 Council Seats)

Philip Holliday ZL3PAH

Southern Electoral District (1 Council Seat)

No nomination Received

Under Schedule A of the Association's Constitution the nominees as listed above are elected unopposed to Council. Furthermore Council is required by Schedule A. Paragraph 4. b. to fill the vacant positions on Council by appointment under the Constitutional Requirements for filling a casual vacancy. The positions to be filled are a second councilor representing the Midlands District and a Councilor to represent the Southern Electoral District.

Evan Sayer

NZART Returning Officer

A reminder to all of you who have yet to pay your annual subscription, you will not receive the February issue of Break In, and your e-mail alias will be removed if payment is not received before end of March.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

2. Jock White Field Day 2015

Please note carefully the date: Saturday February 28th and Sunday March 1st.

(It is in February and March to prevent a clash with the ARRL International CW contest. This occurs in years where there is only three full weekends in February. This will not occur again until 2026)

Now is the time for your branch or team to start planning your Field Day activities.

For the rules please see: <http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-jock-white-field-day/>

As always, any queries prior to the event please contact me at: clareandstuart@xtra.co.nz

I look forward to hearing you during the event

73

Stuart Watchman ZL2TW

JWFD Manager.

3. ANZAC Centenary Celebrations Proposal

NZART proposal for ANZAC centenary celebrations – a call to judge interest and call for volunteers to assist

25th April 2015 is the centenary of the Gallipoli landings in Turkey by ANZAC forces. NZART has received permission to use ‘ANZAC’ from the government for the purpose of celebrating this centenary.

NZART proposes that amateurs in New Zealand celebrate this centenary with a one month of activity period starting on 25th April using the special call-signs ZL100ANZAC and ZL1ANZAC, ZL2ANZAC, ZL3ANZAC and ZL4ANZAC. We believe that QSOs with these call-signs will be in demand by amateurs both here in New Zealand and overseas.

WIA also propose to operate similar stations with call-signs VK100ANZAC, VK1ANZAC etc. The period of operation proposed by WIA is greater but NZART feel that most operators would prefer a shorter period of operation as this makes it easier to focus the effort required.

In association with the use of these call-signs NZART proposes to sponsor a special ‘ANZAC’ award.

Before committing to this program NZART would like to judge the level of support for this activity.

Brief details are as follows. If there is sufficient interest then full details will be posted.

Any licensed amateur in New Zealand would be able to use one of these calls. The ZL1, 2 etc calls will be available to amateurs in the appropriate region. It is proposed that an on-line calendar would enable an amateur to book a 2 hour slot on a band using either CW, Phone or Data. Given the number of bands and modes available it is not envisaged that there would be a problem booking suitable slots throughout the activity period. The ZL100ANZAC call will be most sought after and will be available to branches to book for a short time before the booking system goes live to all. However it is envisaged that other operators will also get a fair chance to use this call-sign if they wish.

Since QSL cards will be much in demand it would be a necessity that all logs produced using these call-signs be emailed to a central log manager in ADIF format (produced by all electronic logging programs) in a timely manner so that QSL requests can be managed.

The proposal for the award is based on points for working the special call-signs and lesser points for working other ZLs during the activity month.

NZART will only proceed with this proposal if there is sufficient support from amateurs. We will also be asking for volunteers for some of the work in making this happen, such as QSL management, log management and operation of the booking system. Offers from both branches and individuals are welcome.

If you would like to take part, whether it is using one of the special call-signs, or just making a special effort to hand out QSOs to other amateurs looking for ZL during this time, or to assist in the running of the event please indicate by email to either Stuart Watchman ZL2TW clareandstuart@xtra.co.nz or Phil Holliday ZL3PAH at phil@cliftonbay.co.nz as soon as possible. There is not a lot of time to organize and publicise this.

4. NZART WRC-15 Travel Fund

Supporting our Delegate, Don Wallace ZL2TLL, to attend the 2015 (WRC-15) ITU Conference, in Geneva

Platinum: Donations \$200 and over

Gold: Donations \$100 - \$199

Silver: Donations \$50 - \$99

Bronze: Donations \$10 - \$49

NZART is planning to send one Delegate to the ITU World Radiocommunication Conference in Geneva, from the 2nd to the 27th November 2015. WRC-15 Agenda Item 1.4 will consider a possible new allocation to the amateur service on a secondary basis in the band 5 250 to 5 450 kHz.

We ask our members to make a donation towards this vitally important conference where Amateur access to the radio spectrum is decided. All donations will solely be used for attendance at an ITU-R conference.

Make your donation to NZART HQ and your Call-sign or Branch will be added to the Honour Roll list which will be printed in the September / October 2015 issue of Break-In. Some donors may wish to remain anonymous, provision for that is made.

Your Association is committed to the maintenance and expansion of the Amateur Service in New Zealand and having our ALO, Don ZL2TLL representing us at this conference is yet another example of our work in this area.

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5. 110th Anniversary of Rotary International

OZ, Kingdom of Denmark

An international crew with the Club station "Radio Friends of Paul P. Harris" will be on the air as OU0POLIO. The activity has already started from January 1, 2015 until December 31, 2016. On all band and all modulations.

The crew activates the call in celebration of the 110th Anniversary of Rotary International – with Paul P. Harris and others as the early founders of Rotary International, in the year 1905 in Chicago, USA. With this radio activity, the team likes further to set the signal to the eradication of POLIO in the world.

The activities will be from various QTH's (IOTA's, OZ Flora Fauna, etc) and in various contests.

QSL and other infos, see qrz.com

Information on Rotary International:

Rotary International is an international service organization whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. It is a secular organization open to all persons regardless of race, colour, creed, religion, gender, or political preference.

There are 34,282 clubs and over 1.2 million members worldwide. The members of Rotary Clubs are known as Rotarians. Members usually meet weekly for breakfast, lunch, or dinner, which is a social event as well as an opportunity to organize work on their service goals.

Rotary's primary motto is "Service Above Self"; its secondary motto is, "One profits most who serves best."

<https://www.rotary.org/>

See also Rotarians of Amateur Radio – a fellowship for Rotarians and HAM radio operators.

<http://www.ifroar.org/>

6. Awarua Communications Museum Amateur Radio Station ZL4VLB

Work is progressing well towards opening the Awarua Communications Museum in the old NZPO Standby Transmitting Hall at the former Awarua Coast Radio Station ZLB (formerly ZLV) on 1st April this year. One of the exhibits is a 1970s amateur radio station that I have responsibility for. This is the era of the Kenwood TS-520s, Heathkit and the first useable Amsats.

Some of the local hams, along with Southland Branch 37 have donated exhibits (let's hear it for the Southland Branch 2m AM transmitter/receiver kitset), but we still need a few items to provide authenticity and make the station comfortable for any ham operating it in 1974. To this end, if

anyone has the following that they can kindly donate to the museum, would they please contact me at r.mcneill@ieee.org, or through the Counties Awards Net:

1. Large Band-plan chart, for 1974 or thereabouts. I believe some of the transmitter manufacturers produced them even back then.
2. Great Circle Map of the World, based on Wellington. I recall that Lands & Survey produced this and I bought one in, I think, 1976 (so where is it now?). If hams of the era have their own versions, they could be used instead.
3. SWR meter, Heathkit HM-11 or equivalent.
4. Working all-band shortwave radio, good for visitors to tune into short-wave broadcast stations, 1970s or earlier vintage.
5. Loan of high resolution, well-focussed colour or black and white photographs of ham shacks, antennas and towers that could be used for interpretation purposes (we can scan and return the originals).
6. Bench microphone.
7. Anything else that from that era that may be useful! (including Break In and RSGB/ARRL Handbooks etc).

Not too many of the exhibits will be working on 1st April as just getting the museum open is enough of a task, but I would like to think that we will have a working pre-WARC station operational by the end of the year. We plan to make the station open for SWLers and hams from time to time for them to use and so enjoy the low QRN that makes the site so special.

73 de Robin McNeill ZL4IG

7. Special Event Station, Himeji Castle, 8N3HC

World Cultural

Heritage “Himeji Castle” has undergone the large scale repair works for more than 4 years to preserve it for longer

time. It will be re-opened for public access on March 27, 2015.

The Himeji Amateur Radio Club will establish a special event station to announce the grand re-opening of World Cultural Heritage “Himeji Castle” through amateur radio to fellow amateurs in the world.

You can find the information on “Himeji Castle” at <http://www.city.himeji.lg.jp/guide/castle/legacy.html>

Operational Information of 8N3HC

i) Operation period:

March 1st through May 31st, 2015

ii) Call Sign:

8N3HC or 8N3HC/3

iii) Bands/Modes:

160 m to 70 cm bands, CW/Phone/Digital

iv) QSL:

Sent via bureau for all QSOs. (Please do not send your QSL.)

Contest Operation

8N3HC will be active in CQ WPX contests (SSB/CW) on 28th and 29th March (SSB) and 30th and 31st May (CW), 2015.

73 de JARL International

Ken Yamamoto/JA1CJP

e-mail: intl@jarl.org

8. Official Broadcast

Next Official Broadcast will be made on Sunday 22 February

The broadcast is made on 3900 kHz, and on the National System and local VHF repeaters.

The broadcast is made at 2000 hours (8:00 pm), with a repeat at 2100 hours (9:00 pm).

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Jim ZL2BHF

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- Next HQ-Infoline: - Friday 13 February. Closing date for this post is Thursday 12 February.