

### **HQ Infoline**

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# From HQ

Debby says...

In the next two weeks all branch secretaries will receive their annual headquarters mail out. Included in this, will be the branch membership statistics for voting on remits prior to conference.

Also included will be a special branch promotional offer to encourage members to join/rejoin the Association and your usual branch address details

Information on the impending upgrade to the Examination online database and tutorials will be enclosed, however I hope to be able to contact all NZART examination supervisors via e-mail over the coming weeks to provide them with all the new material. The upgraded system will be switched over on 1 April 2017, therefore any courses you have planned prior to this date can be run with the current exam generating software. Could all examination supervisors please check their e-mail address is correct on the NZART web page listing:

http://nzart.org.nz/contact/supervisors/

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

## **Conference 2017 Rotorua**

The Rotorua Branch (33) of NZART Invites NZART Members and their partners to join us for a weekend in Rotorua.

Come and visit New Zealand Coolest Hotspot.

The venue for this years conference is the <u>Sudima Hotel</u> located in Rotorua City/Geothermal Paradise.

There is generous parking available at the venue during the day, and night, for cars and moderate sized vehicles. Motorhomes and similar can park during the day but will need other facilities at night. An NZMCA park is located at Ngongotaha and other overnight parking is available in various spots reasonably close to Rotorua City.

All conference proceedings will be accommodated at the Sudima Hotel and reasonable room rates are available for those wishing to stay at the Hotel. Please quote "NZART Conference" if booking with the special rates.

Email them direct: reservation@sudimarotorua.co.nz

General Registration

Registration form available at:

http://hamradio.co.nz/resources/Conference2017rego.pdf

#### Accommodation

The Conference venue has deals that will be worth you checking out. Accommodation booking is your responsibility. We recommend arranging your accommodation early, as Rotorua is a popular long weekend retreat for many people.

The whole Conference will be held at the SUDIMA Hotel and those attending as guests of the hotel will be able to utilise the heated swimming pool and the 3 spa pools.

Self-contained Motorhomes and Caravans (overnight parking) have various options close by, or the NZMCA have a park at Ngongotaha and limited local transport by local Amateurs will be available to and from the Conference.

#### Raffles – Delta Room

We will have some extremely good prizes for the raffles at this Conference so do have some money in your pockets or purses. We depend on selling tickets to keep the Conference cost at a reasonable level.

Amateur radio type raffles will be run and some may be "Quick Fire" and drawn when full. A group of ladies have been busy with other raffle prizes so you should find something to tickle your interest as well as the traditional WARO raffle.

#### Thermal Pools

The well-known Polynesian Pools are very close to the Conference venue and a range of public and private pools are available. Bring your appropriate costumes. The Sudima Hotel has a heated swimming pool and two private pools available for guests.

#### Communication

We look forward to seeing a good turnout in June 2017 and we will update this general information as and when details are firmed up. We anticipated that this publication format will be maintained and regularly updated along with appropriate information in Break In. Rotorua has two 2m repeaters 144.350 (Linear) and 147.350. The National link is expected to be operating again before the end of 2016 along with a new D-Star hotspot.

#### General Registration

For registration please either complete and post or email it. Payment can be by either Electronic Transfer or by mailing a cheque. We have no Credit Card facilities. If paying by Electronic direct banking please ensure you note your callsign and Family name in the reference area.

NOTE. Each person must have an individual Registration form. Late payment is required for payments received after May 15th 2017. Please register early.

SPECIAL NOTE: This is Rotorua's largest hotel and is a private facility. There will be other guests staying during the Conference and owners require everyone involved at the Conference to wear ID or swingers name tag at all times while attending including dinners. Attendees to AGM only, must wear the supplied name tag.

#### ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

If you have any other questions please contact the organisers. Phone contact for queries should preferably be in the early evening. Home Phone (07) 3459 687
Cellphone (021) 261 5155

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# **ELG Report**

ELG Report March.

R.E.G Branch 89 has applied to invert their existing UHF repeater frequencies due to severe SRD interference. Presently the repeater transmit frequency is 438.875 MHz and receives on 433.875 MHz. It will become 433.875 MHz repeater transmit and receive on 438.875 MHz. The repeater is located at Topo 50 map BD33 030.88 129.32, Peacockes Road, Hamilton.

As the frequencies concerned are not used elsewhere in NZ and the 1<sup>st</sup> adjacent frequencies are over 300 km away, there is no possibility of interference to other stations. The application will be licensed by licence modification. ARE 142 certifies in accordance with RSM PIB38 there will be no interference to other stations.

Rotorua National System (NZART) 439.925 MHz & ULS station repeaters have moved. The new location is Hawthornden Drive Rotorua, Topo map50 BE37 942.97 784.84. ARE 035 confirms in accordance with RSM PIB38 there will be no interference to other stations.

**ELG Team** 

## **DX Convention**

Fellow Amateurs,

I would like to once again extend a personal invitation to you and Members of your Club to attend the International DX Convention 2017 in Visalia, California on April 21-22-23, 2017.

Further information can be had at: <a href="http://www.dxconvention.com/">http://www.dxconvention.com/</a>

## **Official Broadcast**

The Official Broadcast is made on the last Sunday of each month except:

- December when the Broadcast is made on the Sunday before Christmas.
- January when there is no broadcast

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).

Members and Branches are welcome to submit material for inclusion in the Broadcast to the email or postal address shown below.

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73, Jim ZL2BHF

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