

## **HQ** Infoline

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## From HQ

Debby Says...Well I am back in the office Monday's Wednesday's and Friday's for now from 9am – 2pm. Thank you everyone for your patience over the past couple of months during my time of recuperation. It's been a bit of a long road, but suffice to say, you can't kill weeds, so here I am.

Office hours will change again before the end of the year, however for now I have returned to working Mondays. Proposed new open hours will be Monday/Tuesday, Thursday/Friday from 9am – 2pm. These changes are likely to take affect in October, but yet to be confirmed, but will be advised soon.

#### **Call Book Branch listings**

While I was away, I was able to continue a few tasks remotely, one of them being the Call Book updates received by most branches. A reminder to those who did not submit a return, that whatever details are on the web page for your branch, is what will be produced in Call Book.

The importance of being a member of NZART is reflected in the positions held within branches.

#### **Examination Supervisors**

Examination supervisors, MUST be current members of NZART and all details including email addresses/phone numbers should be advised and up to date on the web page for their respective branches, please check this is correct under your branch listing on the NZART web page <a href="http://nzart.org.nz/contact/branches/">http://nzart.org.nz/contact/branches/</a> All supervisors must have been approved by NZART Council before they are included on our web site. Please make sure your contact details are correct.

Just a reminder to ALL examination supervisors, please make sure a passport sized photo is supplied with each successful candidate's application form. I cannot allocate a call sign unless this is supplied. All applications can be e-mailed to me for speed in allocation, however the photo must be in a jpg format.

#### **AREC Officers/Repeater Trustees**

I cannot stress enough the importance of these officers being current financial NZART members. The most obvious reason for this is to ensure that they will be covered under the NZART public liability insurance, should they be working in areas requiring it. There are a number of these people listed on your branch returns that are not, so where possible I have contacted the branch to encourage the officer responsible to join/re-join

#### Club Call Sign Trustees

The Club Call Sign Trustee supplied by branches for NZART records, must match the Radio Spectrum Management database. I have updated RSM records where this differs from the advised trustee.

It is the Trustees duty to ensure:

- A) The Call Sign is used appropriately, or it may be revoked by RSM
- B) That the Trustee is a current financial member of NZART.

Thanks for your actions on the above

Debby

# **ELG Report**

Eastern Southland Branch 08 have applied for a 70 cm digital modes repeater. The TX frequency will be 439.775 MHZ. Location is Millane Road, Gore. Topo50 CF12 917.48 860.86.

ARE142 certifies that in accordance with RSM PIB38, there will be no interference to other stations.

Steve Fogerty ARE (ZL2ASF)

ELG Team Leader

## Manawatu Br 20 Table Sale

NZART Branch 20 Manawatu Amateur Radio Society would like to advise that there annual Table Sale will be held at the Longburn Hall just South of Palmerston North on State Highway 56 next to the over-bridge on Saturday the 5th of October.

Doors will open for vendors at 7.30 AM and to buyers from 9 AM.

Table costs will be \$25 per full table and \$15 for a 1/2 table.

Light refreshments will be available to purchase on the day.

This event is always a good way to meet and greet old friends and new, so come along and grab that bargain while you're there.

To book a table, or for further inquiries, please contact the Branch 20 Secretary via email to:

secretary@zl2ko.org.nz or via post to:

Table Sale

Branch 20 Manawatu Amateur Radio Society

P O Box 1718

Palmerston North 4440.

# **Expressions of Interest: DATV - Channel 25**

DATV (Digital Amateur Television) is a by-product of the so called Digital Dividend of the restacking of New Zealand's decommissioned analogue TV network. One of the dividends was the return of the 6 metre band for amateur usage.

In the move to the digital TV, amateurs in New Zealand were left without any spectrum as had previously been available (old Project 39 in the UHF Band of 600 MHz). A guard band was identified just above 500 MHz as a candidate.

A NZART Branch took on the role to progress testing and building of a DATV Repeater in this guard band. After several years this progress has become too slow, or non-existent to the satisfaction of NZART Council, by the branch concerned.

NZART is therefore seeking expressions of interest from other clubs or branches to progress this project to a conclusion. We are seeking a project that can be delivered over an eighteen month period from its start date. A high level project plan must be submitted with measurable milestones spaced no more than six months apart. These six monthly high level milestones must be agreed to, and met or the project, after review may be stopped. NZART is not looking to pressure any group in doing this work but it cannot continue for many years without progress.

If your club or branch is interested in undertaking this project, contact Debby at NZART via email (<u>nzart@nzart.org.nz</u>) expressing your interest. Once all expressions have been received a decision will be made no later than 6 November 2019.

The successful club or branch will then be contacted to provide a more detailed project plan. Once this plan is approved by NZART Council, a commencement date will be agreed to have this project delivered.

## 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 e-mail or postal address shown below.

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73. Jim ZL2BHF

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