HQ Infoline # 425



From HQ

The next Infoline is due out on March 21st. We would like to see more activities and events that are taking place throughout Amateur Radio. So please send these through along with photos so that we can share for all to enjoy. We ask that you can please have all articles in no later than Thursday 18 to be posted on the Infoline.

Presidential Voting papers

By now you should have received your voting papers for the upcoming election. Please read the instructions carefully on how to correctly nominate your president. It reads:

Strike out the name of the person that you do **NOT** wish to vote for, leaving the name of the person you are voting for.

Please remember to put your name and Callsign on the back of the envelope in order for your vote to be valid

No election is required for the Central, Southern, and Midland Councillors. There will be a vacancy in the Northern region in June, however this will be considered by Council as no nominations were received to fill this vacancy.

IARU Region 3 District Manager position

Our current Region 3 IARU Disaster Management Coordinator ZL1DK David Karrasch will be stepping down in the near future.

The overall role is (but not limited to) to circulate and publicise information within Region 3 on emergency events in which the Amateur Radio Service has been involved.

If anyone would be interested in filling this role, or would like to know more information on this role please contact us at HQ.

Awards to be considered at the upcoming Conference



ZL1HV - Jumbo Godfrey Award Life Membership Youth Achievement Award Youth Amateur of the year Award

If you have anyone in mind that is deserving of the above awards, please send in your nominations to HQ to be considered. Please have these no later than 30th April 2020.

RSGB Radio Handbooks



We have placed an order for more of these handbooks. 3 of the 7 ordered have already been snatched up! If you would like to purchase one of these, please contact us at HQ on nzart@nzart.org.nz.

NZART Shirt orders



We still have some shirts available for purchase, with a limited range of sizing. Please send me your contact details and the size you are after and we can confirm availability.

Our smart looking polo shirts are \$50 each incl. GST. What better attire to wear to the upcoming Conference in Napier.



NZART will be celebrating 100 years of service in 2026.

In 1926, was the birth of the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters Incorporated. The rest is history.........

As this is a significant milestone, we ask If your branch would like to host the 2026 Conference, please send HQ (Debby or myself nzart@nzart.org.nz) an expression of interest for your club to be considered.

For more information on NZART's history, click here



NZART Annual Conference

This year's NZART Annual Conference to be held at Queen's Birthday weekend at the East Pier Conference Centre in Napier. Napier will follow the customary format as follows:

- Saturday 5 June, NZART Conference followed by AREC's annual meeting with dinner and entertainment to follow
- Sunday 6 June Technical forums and special interest groups also followed by dinner and entertainment to the end the day.

Details and registration forms will be published in the March-April Issue of the Break In magazine.

If there comes a sufficient demand, Gary Hinson ZL2iFB will be available to verify QSL cards for the various ARRL awards during Conference. Anyone wishing to use this service please contact Gary@isect.com for instructions.

IARU Region 3 District Manager David Karrasch ZL1DK announces...

Assistance requested.

Your assistance is requested in establishing a nationwide on-air, Morse training program.

There is a small group of us planning to send MCW tailored specially for learners, on

If enough interest is received, there will be four separate stations, one in each geographic region, transmitting Morse according to the proposed program using the Gary Bold, ZL1AN, software. For consistency throughout the program, the text to be transmitted will be emailed to you.

You will start each session asking for check-ins, one reply is more than enough, as there will also be those just listening.

You will start sending letters, numbers and punctuation, at a 'Farnsworth Speed' or Character Speed of 20 WPM, and a 'Code Speed' or Text Speed of 6 WPM, gradually increasing the 'Code Speed'.

The number of characters sent will gradually increase until all are being received 90% plus. They will be sent for 30 minutes or so, four nights a week, for a period of 16 to 18 weeks, and then we may start over after a short break. This 'spare time' will allow participants to catch up on receiving.

After a period, plain text will be sent in approximately 3-minute blocks. At the end of sending each block, you, the transmitting station operator, will read to the participants what you have sent.

At the end of the days sending you ask how each participant did for the day. Do not ask anyone to read back what they received.

This may be for clubs to participate in, and/or individuals ... the more there are the less sending each one must do.

Please send David an email with the subject marked as 'CW' if you are interested in helping, or if you require additional information at this time, email David on zl1dk@nzart.org.nz with your questions.

Junk Sale



New Plymouth Amateur Radio Club are hosting their 'JUNK DATE' on Saturday 20th March at the Mangorei Hall on the Corner of State Highway 3 and Kent Road,

New Plymouth.

Registered sellers will be admitted from 8am, and buvers from 10am. Tables can be reserved for \$20.

Food and hot drinks will be available before and during the sale.



They ask that all attending, please observe the current COVID requirements on the day.... If you are unwell, please stay home.

For more information or to reserve a table, email Doug Beale ZL3DUG secretary@zl2ab.com, or go to their website ZL2AB.com

Branch 35 South Otago annual picnic

South Otago Branch 35 is to be held on <u>Sunday March 7 at Naish Park, Charlotte Street, Balclutha.</u> the picnic is to start after 10am. They ask that you please bring something for the barbecue or something to eat as well as chairs for comfort.

Te Puke Amateur Radio Club inc. Market Day Saturday 20th March 2021

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Paengaroa Community Hall, Old Coach Road, Paengaroa. 3189
Open 06.30am, Sale at 10.00am.
\$20.00 Per Table or \$25.00 on the day, \$12.00 For Half a Table or \$15.00 on the day.

As Always Plenty of Good Tucker & All Day Breakfasts from 07.30am.

Motorhome Parking Available If you get lost tune into 147.175 or D-Star 145.725

For Further Information and Table Bookings: Ph. 0272488664 or (07) 533 1029. Email: sydrowe@xtra.co.nz

Branch 18 March Newsletter



Don is organising a Quiz Night for the March Meeting. The venue for the meeting will depend on the Level of Lockdown on the the night as follows:

- Level 1 Lockdown, held in the Club rooms, or
- Level 2, 3 of 4 Lockdown, via Zoom, details will be emailed on the night.

To have a read of their newsletter, <u>click here.</u>

Branch 29 March newsletter



Branch 29 enlightens us on past and upcoming events. To view, <u>click here.</u>