

# NZART HQ Infoline

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### **Kapiti Amateur Radio Society**

**2021 Sale Day Paraparaumu**

**Due to the size of the Clubrooms, it has been decided to postpone the KARS Sale Day until a suitable date in 2022. We will keep you posted**



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#### **Debby says...**

If you are paying your subscription by credit card...please read the following:  
Recently, I posted out subscription renewal statements. As often happens with all the best of intentions, the credit card boxes at the bottom of the statement, are incomplete. You now need to include the **three-digit number on the reverse of the**

**card**, these boxes have been missed off the form.

It is fast approaching the close off date of the rebate amount for the 2022 subscription.

If you are opting to pay by credit card and returning the form to me...PLEASE include this three-digit number, or CVV as banks call it, as I cannot process your card payment without it.

And finally in regard to payment by credit card, if you are intending to claim the prompt payment discount, please cross off the invoice total on the remittance slip and state the amount payable. I will deduct the value that is advised, if not then the total amount payable will be debited from your card.

As we approach the year end, it's time to be considering remits that branches wish to place at next year's AGM. An individual may also submit a remit, so long as there is a minimum of 5 signatures from current members of NZART in support.

All remits need to reach headquarters by 31 December 2021, however the office will be closed from **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December and reopen Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January**, therefore please send via email where possible.

Talk soon...

ZL2DL Debby Morgan



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## VHF / UHF Field Day Contest 2021



The annual VHF UHF Field Day Contest is scheduled for the first weekend in December – this year that's the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of December.

Although it's called a "Field Day", this does not prevent home stations from taking part.

If you haven't taken part for some time, how about dusting off the rig and set aside some time to have a go. Most operation will be on 2m and 70cm and the frequencies to listen and call on are 144.2 MHz, 432.2 MHz. If you've also got 6m, then the calling frequency is 50.15 MHz on 1296 MHz, look for stations on 1296.2 MHz. Most SSB operation uses horizontally polarized antennas. If you are operating from a home station, and only have a vertically polarized antenna, still give it a go!

The contest starts at 1700 NZDT on Saturday 4 December and finishes at 2300 NZDT. On Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup>, activity gets underway again at 0700, but if that's a bit

early for you, just join in when you can on Sunday and the contest finishes at 1300. On both days the contest is divided up into one-hour periods, so starting at 1700 on Saturday, the first period is 1700 to 1800 NZDT. The aim is to work as many stations as possible during each hour but no repeat contacts on the same band please. You can work them again in the next hour and so on right through the contest.

For more detail and the Contest Rules, go to the NZART web site:

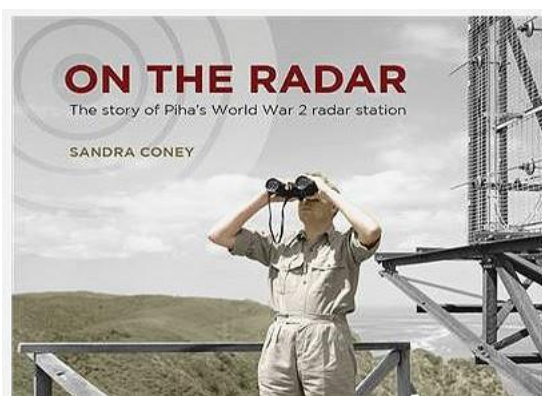
<https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/vhf-and-above-contests>

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## "On the Radar"

The amateur radio fraternity has been generously gifted several brand-new copies of a book entitled, "On the Radar". They are cellophane wrapped as delivered from the printer. The book addresses in spectacular detail the establishment, staffing, operation and decommissioning of the World War 2 radar station which was sited 2km south of Piha on the west coast of the North Island.

Thirteen Chain Overseas Low (COL) radar stations were operated by the RNZN around New Zealand's coast from 1941 onwards, specifically to provide early



warning of the approach of unidentified ships or aircraft, the Imperial Japanese armed forces being the foremost threat in Defence Department minds.

**The author, Sandra Coney, has thoroughly researched her topic, interviewed several radar engineers who installed equipment and maintained the station during its years of operation, including the venerable Ian Sexton, ZL1PZ. She has written a most informative, complete, and easily understood narrative to complement the collection of historic photographs.**

The book retails for \$40 plus post, however clubs or individuals wanting a copy will pay only \$7.50 post, or free to collect from Levin. If interested please contact Stan, [zl3tk.radio@gmail.com](mailto:zl3tk.radio@gmail.com)

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## CWOPS Award for Advancing the Art of CW



CWops is pleased to announce that it is now accepting nominations for this prestigious award for the year 2022.

The purpose of the award is to recognise individuals, groups, or organisations that have made the greatest contribution(s) toward advancing the art or practice of radio communications by Morse code.

### **Criteria:**

Candidates for the award may be one or more of the following:

1. Authors of publications related to CW
2. CW recruiters, trainers, mentors, coaches, and instructors
3. Public advocates of CW
4. Organizers of CW activities
5. Designers and inventors who advance the art or practice of CW
6. Other contributors to the art or practice of CW

### **Note:**

The award is **not** limited to amateur radio operators or their organisations.

### **Nominations:**

Nominations may be made by anybody (not limited to CWops members). Nominations should be emailed to [awards@cwops.org](mailto:awards@cwops.org) with a copy to [secretary@cwops.org](mailto:secretary@cwops.org). An email confirmation will be sent acknowledging receipt of each nomination. In order to be considered, a nomination should be received by March 18, 2022, and include:

1. A detailed explanation supporting nominee qualifications according to the above criteria.
2. Name(s) and call sign(s) (if applicable) of nominee(s), and contact information including their postal address(es), email address(es), and telephone number(s).
3. Name, telephone number, email address, and call sign (if applicable) of the person submitting the nomination.

### **Presentation of Award:**

A plaque will be presented at the Dayton Hamvention. If the recipients are not present, it will be sent to them.

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## **NZART Contest manager ZL3GA Geoff writes...**

**CQ Worldwide DX Contest CW (CQWW)** is coming up soon. Arguably biggest radio competition of the year, 48 hours of CW fun on the last weekend of November

**CW: November 27 - 28, 2021, Starts: 0000 UTC Saturday, ends: 2359 UTC Sunday**

Good luck to everybody participating, whether as an individual single operator or as a group.

There are changes to the rules this year. Have a look at <https://cqww.com/rules.htm> for the latest update. There is a new “Youth” overlay category for those 25 years of age or younger and a new Explorer category encouraging those who are keen to push the limits.

If you want to use this to work some rare DX, have a look at the Announced CQWW CW operations at: <https://ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2021.html> This web site is updated almost daily until the contest starts.

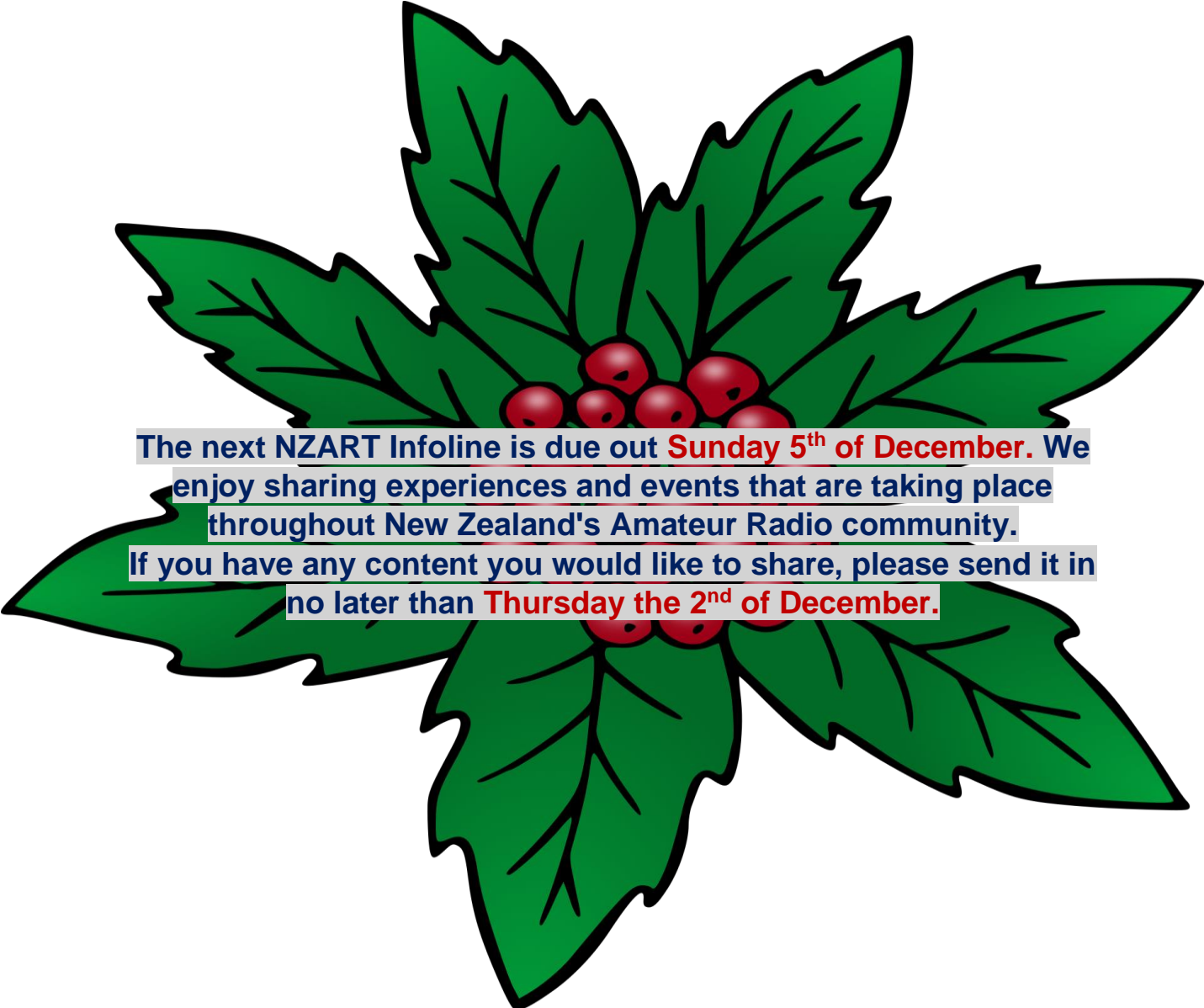
Even if you only make a few contacts, please do submit your log: <https://cqww.com/logs.htm>

73 and good luck in the contest!

Geoff ZL3GA

NZART Contest Manager

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The next NZART Infoline is due out **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> of December**. We enjoy sharing experiences and events that are taking place throughout New Zealand's Amateur Radio community. If you have any content you would like to share, please send it in no later than **Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December**.