



**NZART HQ INFOLINE ISSUE # 452**  
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***From Headquarters***

Hi everyone, hopefully there is something in here for everyone, however I am always on the lookout for more topical articles. So please send them to me in word or pdf format. [nzart@nzart.org.nz](mailto:nzart@nzart.org.nz)

***NZART Conference Awards***

Last call for awards. Sadly, I have still not received any nominations for Young Amateur of the Year.

Do you know of someone who is deserving of these awards, please send your nominations as soon as possible to NZART HQ?

Criteria for these awards can be found:

<https://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/conference/awards/>

***Council Policy on Members Paying Subscriptions by Automatic Payment***

We continue to see an increase in the numbers of members choosing to pay on regular instalments. While this ensures regular cashflow, it can be a dilemma for accounting purposes, especially at the annual roll over of subscriptions at year end.

Currently members are paying, weekly, fortnightly, monthly (calendar month) and quarterly.

This leads to under/over payments, as some only commence their payment part way through a year and don't quite cover the full year's subscription.

The following policy was adopted at the May 2022 meeting of Council

- a) Individual members pay a monthly instalment of \$10 per calendar month. Total payment per year \$120, the additional \$5 covers any administration costs.

- b) Family subscriptions pay \$12.50 per calendar month. Total payment for a family \$150, (two or more members who reside at the same address) the additional \$5 covers administrative costs.

Figures may change, dependant on subscription increases. Members who opt to pay by monthly instalments are not eligible for the annual rebate. Members who currently pay by automatic payment, will receive a letter from me, advising these details, together with the balance owing of their subscriptions.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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### **2 m/70 cm Band Plan Review 2022**

NZART has commenced a review of the 2 m and 70 cm band plans to refresh them with the various modes available today, and to ensure that interference between different groups is minimised.

We are seeking volunteers/representatives that use 2 m and 70 cm from the following groups:

- Weak Signal/Long Distance/DX users (including beacons and EME)
- VHF/UHF Contesters - Satellite users
- Digital (PC to PC) users (including fixed station licence holders and APRS)
- Digital voice users (including simplex and hotspot users)
- AREC

A member from ELG will also be invited to attend from a technical standpoint, and myself from council from a governance standpoint.

It is expected the review should take three months and be completed before the AGM in September.

The goal is to ensure the band plans accommodate the various uses without interference and are robust to last into the future.

For Stage 1 we seek volunteers from the various groups above. If you would like to be part of the band plan review team, please email [vhfuhfreview@nzart.org.nz](mailto:vhfuhfreview@nzart.org.nz) with a personal introduction and overview of your area of expertise.

Links: <https://www.nzart.org.nz/info/band-plan/2m-70cm-band-plan-review>

Please submit this no later than 5:00 pm of the 20 May 2022 to be considered.

Volunteers will be expected to reach out to their groups with the draft plans and provide feedback from the various groups to the review team during the review process.

Warren Harris ZL2AJ  
NZART Councillor  
Band Plan Review Chairman

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### ***Oceania DX Contest Results***

After some unforeseen delays, the Oceania DX Contest committee is pleased to announce that the results for the 2021 contest have now been released.

You can find all of the scores and news on the contest website here: <https://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/news/1216>

If anything seems amiss, please let me know ASAP. We have been checking back and forth in preparing the release, but gremlins always seem to creep in where one is not expecting.

Regards,  
Grant VK5GR  
Webmaster – Oceania DX Contest Website

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### **Sangster Shield Contest – May 2022**

The 2022 NZART Sangster Shield Contest is to be held Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd May 2000 – 2300hrs NZST each evening.

Rules for this year are unchanged since those published in the 2016 April/May Break In and as per the NZART website:-

<https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/sangster-shield>

Contest is 80 metres CW only for entrants with power output up to 5 watts pep.

Note that the Transistor Trophy entry criteria allows first time Sangster contestants to enter, rather than just newly licensed operators.

Reminding that the Exchange (Cipher) is RST, Contact serial number beginning at 001 & Branch number. Power output is not to be given on air but will be published in results.

CW beginners have commented that their preferred exchange is – RST / Serial number / Branch number (where / = dah-di-di-dah-dit).

Remember that there are 6 HALF hour operating periods EACH evening. 12 periods in total. Use the Branch Number of your location regardless of whether this is currently active or in recess.

If you are going to work from different locations each night – experience has shown it is easier for all if you just choose one Branch number & stick to it. Operating just one night is also fine as we would all prefer to have as many on the air as possible.

73's & hope to work you in the contest – Glenn ZL2KZ

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### **Around the Branches:**

#### **Marlborough Branch Ham Cram**

Marlborough Amateur Radio Club

Ham Cram Weekend 18-19 June 2022

Registrations to attend mailto: [marcbranch22@gmail.com](mailto:marcbranch22@gmail.com)

Contact Don 027 315 6227 or Bill 03 579 3121

#### **North Shore Branch Ham Cram Weekend**

North Shore Amateur Radio Club

Ham Cram Weekend 28 and 29 May 2022

400 East Coast Road, Sunnynook.

Email Vaughan ZL1VH [training@nsrc.nz](mailto:training@nsrc.nz) for more information

#### **Radio Electronics Group – Equipment Sale**

You are invited to the Radio Electronics Group annual new and used equipment sale.

Date: Saturday 21st May.

Place: Glenview Club, 211 Peacockes Road, Fitzroy, Hamilton.

Contact: [ZL1REGSALE@gmail.com](mailto:ZL1REGSALE@gmail.com) John or Vern

Vendor registration form and sale notice can be found as attachments on this eNewsletter.

The sale day team are looking forward to catching up on the day.

73 de ZL1PO John Lisignoli  
President Radio Electronics Group (Inc.)  
Branch 89 of NZART, ZL1REG.  
Mob: 0212045990 evenings

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### **Dambusters Raid 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Hello my name is Robert,

I am the Vice President of the vhf group at wireless hill Perth WA. Next year is the 80th of the Dambusters Raid.

In March this year, the UK, Canada and Australia remembered the first sortie by the Lancaster bomber with a special event call sign in all three countries. GB80LAN, VE80LAN and VK80LAN. The organisers of that event have been asked if we could do the same for the Dambusters.

As there were crews from New Zealand the invitation to join in the event was put forward, hence this message to you all.

I am looking for someone to organise the event in New Zealand. We will give as much assistance in the headaches that come with it. We are looking for an individual, or better a club, to spread the headaches, to organise things in New Zealand, that is if they wish to take part.

If you need more information please get in touch.

Rob Vice President of the VHF Group Perth Australia email:

[vk80lam@iinet.net.au](mailto:vk80lam@iinet.net.au).

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### **Situations Vacant:**

#### **New Midland District Councillor required**

Council continues to seek expressions of interest for the role Councillor in the Midland Region as per Clause 3.7e of the NZART Constitution.

NZART Council will appoint a replacement until the next election. If you wish to apply for this vacancy you must reside within the Midland District. For any further information contact NZART HQ [nzart@nzart.org.nz](mailto:nzart@nzart.org.nz) to express your interest.

#### **NZART Youth Officer:**

Brendin Graham-Ireland ZL2SB has resigned from this position. Council wishes to thank Brendin for his time in this role.

This is a very valuable position, both to the Association and young amateurs', therefore Council is looking for a replacement for this role.

If you are interested, currently under the age of 25 and a member of NZART, please supply a short resume' for this NZART Officer appointed position.

Please contact NZART HQ [nzart@nart.org.nz](mailto:nzart@nart.org.nz) for further information if required.

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### **Straight Key Night (Winter Edition)**

The SKN will be held on Sunday 12 June from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm on 80 metres. SKN is not a contest, but it is a great chance to dust off that straight key and let us hear what it can do.

More details can be found here: <https://radio1nz.com/new-zealand-straight-key-night/>



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### **New Plymouth Amateur Radio Club – Junk Sale**

*New Plymouth Amateur Radio Club*

*present*

### **JUNK SALE 2022**



*Mangorei Memorial Hall,  
Cnr Kent Rd and SH3,  
New Plymouth.*

*Food and refreshments will be  
available.*

*To reserve a table, or for  
more information:  
<secretary@z12ab.com>*

**Saturday 17th September**

**8:00am - vendor set-up**

**10:00am - buyers entry**

**\$20 per table**

Reserve a table: [secretary@z12ab.com](mailto:secretary@z12ab.com)

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**Next Issue of HQ InfoLine**

The next InfoLine is due out Sunday the 5 June 2022. If you would like to share any events or report on any upcoming activities, please send these through to [<nzart@nzart.org.nz>](mailto:nzart@nzart.org.nz)

The Next Official Broadcast will be held Sunday 29 May 2022.

Nga mihi nui. (Kind regards)

Debby