



## **NZART HQ INFOLINE ISSUE # 465**

### **Dedicated to Amateur Radio in New Zealand since 1926**

**From HQ...** Before I sign off for 2022, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support through the year. It has been yet again, a trying year, with a prediction of a fairly gloomy forecast for next year, which is why, YOU are valuable to NZART.

All the very best for the festive season, I look forward to working with/for you all next year.

Debby ZL2DL



### **Elections for Council/President**

As published in the Sept/October Issue of Break In, the Returning Officer has called for nominations to Council/President.

Nominations close 31 December 2022, therefore if you are considering putting your name forward, please have your nomination forms completed and returned to me on or before this date, no exceptions.

A pdf version of the nomination form can be found on our website:

<https://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/council/election/>

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### **NZART HQ Office Administration Vacancy**

NZART is looking for a person to take up the role of NZART HQ Office Assistant. This new role is to provide replacement cover for the Business Manager/General Secretary from time to time, to cover for extended annual leave periods, sickness or other support as required.

The role is the same as that of the Business Manager/General Secretary, but will exclude the role of NZART's Approved Radio Examiner (NZART ARX). This role will be undertaken by other members of NZART.

The role is that of a casual employee and is not a full-time role. It is expected that after a period of training that the person is expected to do a least one day's work,

each calendar month, twelve months a year outside any coverage for annual leave, sickness and the like.

The purpose of this is for the employee to remain current with the day-to-day running of NZART HQ. The day required for each month will vary and not necessary be the same day.

If you wish to apply for this position, please forward a resume to Debby <nzart@nzart.org.nz>

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## **Radio Spectrum Management**

Fantastic news! The new Radio Frequencies Register Go Live will happen mid-December 2022.

Since 2021, we have been designing and building a new fit for purpose system using the latest technology to provide our customers with an updated and easy to use Register.

The new Register will provide an easily configurable and mobile friendly experience that will enable our external users to be more adaptable to legislative changes and new regulatory requirements.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the members of our External Working Group, who have helped us to shape the new Register by providing their time and expertise.

### **What you need to know:**

To ensure a seamless switch over from SMART to the NEW RRF, we will be migrating all the data currently held in SMART. To do this, we need to make SMART Read ONLY from 7 December.

During this time, you will not be able to:

1. Create any new applications.
2. Make any payments.
3. Add new clients.
4. Modify your existing information.

Applications not submitted to RSM for granting by that date will need to be recrafted in the New RRF. You will still be able to search for information.

We thank you for your patience while we implement the New RRF.

Ngā mihi,

**Fadia Mudafar**

National Manager, Radio Spectrum Management

**NB - please note as from Wednesday 7th December I will not be able to allocate call signs until the new RRF has been implemented.**

**Debby Morgan**

**NZART ARX**

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## Contests

Next up for local contests are the VHF/UHF Field Days, Straight Key Night and H Night, all in early December.

H Night annual AM Contest to be held December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 – 10pm local time. The Rules are the same as last year. For more information contact Martyn ZL3CK [martyn.seay@icloud.com](mailto:martyn.seay@icloud.com) or Rob ZL2IW

H<sup>n</sup> Night commemorates the return of the Radio Amateurs of New Zealand to the air after World War 2.

At the outbreak of World War in Europe in 1939 all amateur stations in New Zealand were immediately shut down. The transmitters were 'sealed' by the Post Office, and many were confiscated, never to be seen again.

Six long years later, after the end of the war in the Pacific in August 1945, New Zealand Radio Amateurs were at last allowed to come on 80 meters on the night of December 8<sup>th</sup>, 1945.

The contest commemorates this special evening, and those radio amateurs who served this country in WW2 and particularly, those who did not return. It is also the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbour in 1941. The contest is very relaxed and non-competitive (unless you want it to be!).

## Straight Key Night (SKN)

Straight Key Night (Summer Edition) will be held on Sunday 4 December from 9pm to 10pm 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. New to CW? No problem, we'll happily match your speed. Details are at [radio1nz.com/skn](http://radio1nz.com/skn)

Neil ZL1NZ, SKN manager

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## Next Issue of HQ InfoLine

The next HQ InfoLine is due out Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023. 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 18<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Nga mihi nui. (Kind regards)

Debby

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