

NZART HQ INFOLINE ISSUE # 467 Dedicated to Amateur Radio in New Zealand since 1926

From HQ...

First of all, our thoughts are with you all in the Hawkes Bay, Gisborne, Bay of Plenty, Auckland and the Far North regions. Whatever your needs are, rest assured those not affected around the country are endeavouring to assist where we can.

Sorry I have received no reports of amateur communications in any of these areas, at present. Hopefully we will be able to bring you more when everyone is less busy on the ground.

I am aware that AREC has been working with Civil Defence in these areas, but unfortunately media has not reported to this level of communications.

NZART email address.

I am having major problems with the usual email address <nzart@nzart.org.nz> therefore I ask you all to please use the following: nzarthq@gmail.com until further notice.

Conference 2023 – Palmerston North – Kings Birthday weekend. Unfortunately, there was an error posted in the Jan/Feb issue of Break In.

I can confirm conference will run on both Saturday & Sunday, including evening dinners on the 3rd & 4th June 2023.

More information can be found including registration costs on the NZART web site: https://nzart-conference.nz/

Status of the National System:

L1 district: Local Auckland National System repeater is Off Air. Major repairs ongoing at Klondyke after storm damage in 2022. Unfavourable weather conditions continue to delay repairs.

Links to Northland, Bay of Plenty and ZL2 have issues as well. Some are one direction only.

ZL2 district: Nearly all operational, except for Kapiti Coast node, out for repairs.

Gisborne National System is working and some stations from that area were active on Thursday 16th February.

ZL3 and ZL4 Interference issues continue in the Christchurch area. Isolated from ZL2 while interference continues.

Break In

Wanted to Buy: Transceiver - 100W, HF to 6 metres, in good condition and using an external power supply. Distributed between say 2000 and 2010.

Bob ZL1NX 09-837-8044.

Around the Branches:

Our annual Branch 35 Picnic is to be held on Sunday 26th March. It will be held at Naish Park in Charlotte Street, Balclutha, starting from 10:30am.

Please provide your own food, drink, hat, and seat. A BBQ will be provided. Family and friend's welcome.

Contact on the day will be on Kuriwao 675.

As it is also the 90th Birthday of our branch, celebrations will be included.

73

Cliff Gray ZL4AS Secretary

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Contests

25th and 26th February NZART Jock White Memorial Field Day See https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/nzart-contest-calendar for details

Commonwealth (BERU) Contest 11-12 March - CW only. Why not get a team of 5 together? https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2023/rcwc.shtml

IARU:

The International Amateur Radio Union announces that Human Security for All, HS4A, will be the theme of World Amateur Radio Day on 18 April 2023. For the first time, the United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security and the World Academy of Art and Science are partnering with IARU in a campaign to highlight the role that amateur radio plays in addressing the world's most pressing needs.

Human Security measures security at the individual level. First introduced by the U.N. in 1994, the concept identifies seven interrelated dimensions of security that are essential to an individual's wellbeing: economic, food, health, environmental, personal, community and political.

The partners believe Amateur Radio is uniquely positioned to address people-centered, context-specific security challenges by promoting technical knowledge, practical skills, innovative technology, and the deployment of backup systems at the community level that can be called upon in times of emergency. The pandemic, climate change, natural disasters, and armed conflicts on several continents undermine our security and respect no boundaries. Amateur Radio has repeatedly demonstrated its ability to address human security needs. It is a truly global communications medium comprising some three million radio enthusiasts connecting communities and the peoples of the world.

IARU, a federation of the national amateur radio societies of over 150 countries worldwide, is the global advocate for amateur radio through its Sector Membership in the International Telecommunication Union, an agency of the U.N., and other activities. In celebration of World Amateur Radio Day, IARU and its member-societies will be conducting a special two-week on-the-air event 11-25 April. Special event stations will be operating from around the world, making two-way radio contacts to call attention to the HS4A campaign.

Contact: iaru@iaru.org

Correction: NZ Net

Two unsigned items published in Infoline 466 related to NZ Net.

Neither of these items came from NZ Net, nor do they reflect the policies or programmes of NZ Net.

Anyone interested in learning more about NZ Net is invited to visit the website nzcw.net where they can also subscribe to the fortnightly newsletter NZ Net News.

- Neil Sanderson ZL1NZ, NZ Net Manager

News from Australia

Greetings from the Manly-Warringah Radio Society, VK2MB, on Sydney's beautiful Northern Beaches!

The 26th of February this year is a special day for the Society: it marks 100 years since the establishment of the original Manly and District Radio Club, which had its inaugural meeting in the Sydney suburb of Manly on that day in 1923.

To celebrate the centenary this momentous occasion, the Society will be activating the Special Event Callsign, VI100MB (Victor India One Hundred Mike Bravo), starting on the anniversary and continuing throughout 2023.

You can find out more by visiting the Society's website, mwrs.org.au, or check out VI100MB on QRZ dot com.

73 Richard VK2SKY

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Next Issue of HQ InfoLine

The next InfoLine is due out Sunday the 5th March 2023. If you would like to share any events or report on any upcoming activities, please send these through to <<u>nzart@nzart.org.nz</u>>

The Next Official Broadcast will be held Sunday 26th February 2023.

Nga mihi nui. (Kind regards) Debby

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