

# NZART

Established 1926



## NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION of RADIO TRANSMITTERS.

It serves you at local, national and international levels. It deserves our full support if we are to continue to have the frequencies and operating privileges we currently enjoy.

**The Association is what  
you and I make it!!!**

**NZART Infoline # 479**

## Headquarters notices

Tena koutou katoa! (Hello everyone)

This will be my last infoline as Debby is back on board!  
I would like to thank you all for the lovely feedback i have received.

Stay well and be Kind  
Mauri ora (Best wishes)

Annalise Mokalei-Smith

AREC Administrator and Marketing Coordinator



## From HQ:

Debby is back at the office working 15 hours per week, until September, at this stage, however the office will remain closed to visitors until then. It is hoped that by 4th September the opening hours for NZART will go back to the usual times as per the website.

It's best to call or email her between 8am – 12pm Monday/Tuesday or Thursday/Friday, as these are the hours she is in the office.

Position: Business Managers Assistant Great for Mums looking for hours to work while your tamariki are at School, or just starting out in an Administration field. The office is based here in Upper Hutt CBD, and working from the office will be required for the hours employed.

Initially will be 24 hours per week for the first three months then drop down to around 12 hours per week after that. If you're interested, please email your CV and cover letter to: [nzart@nzart.org.nz](mailto:nzart@nzart.org.nz) attention Debby.

Content for HQ Infoline has been rather thin in recent times, we would be interested to hear from you, were we to reduce the circulation of this to once per month, similar to the official broadcast.

However so as not to conflict with the OB timings, it could be sent out mid-month, does anyone have any thoughts on this? Please email, [nzart@nzart.org.nz](mailto:nzart@nzart.org.nz) with your suggestions/recommendations.

## NZART 2024 Conference

Planning for the 2024 conference at Kings Birthday Weekend is under way. An organising committee has been formed and is determined to make this a memorable event. We are pleased to announce that the venue has been confirmed - the Airforce Museum of New Zealand.

Located on the former RNZAF Base Wigram, this is a world class venue.

[airforcemuseum.co.nz](http://airforcemuseum.co.nz)

Regular updates will be provided via all NZART communication channels.



## Grandparents – Grandkids Amateur Radio Net

Peter Henderson ZL1PX

When:

Sunday 1 October (NZ Grandparents Day) 3PM

Purpose:

Every radio club in the country needs more members. Here a chance to do something about it. Create a happy, successful memory of ham radio in your grandchild's life by inviting them over and tuning in to Grandparents – Grandkids Net. They'll never forget the day Grandad/Grand mum talked on the radio with them. And, eventually, that will lead some of them to join NZART and a local club.

Method:

Invite your grandkids over for a midday meal. After it's cleaned away, get them in the shack and introduce them to Grandparents-Grandkids Amateur Radio Net. A net leader will call for check-ins at 3 PM. When all families are checked in, every participant will get a chance to describe their grandparent or grandchild on a friendly ham radio connection. Suggested topics – what does my grandad/grandmum like to do? What does my Grandson/granddaughter like to do?

We don't have a way to meet nationally at present, so 2M repeaters will be used for each region.

**Auckland region** – Net leader Peter Henderson from Franklin Amateur Radio Club on call-sign ZL1SA – Klondyke Repeater 146.625 MHz

**Other regions** – Contact me with your details and I will publish you in the next Infoline.



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## Contests

ZL3GA Geoff Clark shares....

Two more Tuesdays left in August to have a go at contesting in a relaxed, friendly environment, the NZART Winter Sprints. Tuesdays 8-9pm on 80m, 30 minutes CW and then 30 minutes SSB (do either or both), Exchange your outside temperature. Rules are here: [www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/sprints/](http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/sprints/)

**Just reminder of the events..**

The 80m Winter Sprints are up and running - just the thing to while away an hour on a late-winter Tuesday night! Rules can be found [here](#)

2023 Sangster Shield results are out - thanks as always to Glenn ZL2KZ for his stewardship of this excellent contest. See [here](#) for the full report and results.

2023 Memorial Contest log deadline has closed and I will be scoring and reporting results

asap. Of significance - 25 electronic and no paper logs this year! A fantastic result.

Thanks and 73

Geoff ZL3GA



## EastFest 2023

Saturday 9th September 0900-1730

Sunday 10th 0900-1230

Venue - Christchurch Amateur Radio Clubrooms 5 Idris Rd Fendalton

We will provide Morning & Afternoon refreshments but no lunches or evening meals. However Fendalton Village Centre and Fendalton Mall are both approx. 5-10 min drive away. The Saturday evening meal will be at the Garden Restaurant 110 Marshlands Road, Shirley at 1830. This will be a Buffet Meal, cost \$45pp to be paid on the night.

There will be an Amateur Radio Equipment Auction held on the Sunday.

Catalogue out when items finalised.

**Cost for the Weekend \$10** (including a raffle)

EastFest is only for Paid/Registered Attendees. Sunday Auction open to all.

Saturday 9th doors open at 0900 for Registration and perusal of Auction items.

Saturday itinerary begins at 1000 – 1730 with 6 speakers/workshops.

Saturday Dinner 1830 at Garden Restaurant

Sunday 10th doors open at 0900 for perusal of Auction Items

Sunday itinerary begins at 1000 – with speaker(s) and concludes at the end of the auction.

### **Topics include.**

Sugar Cube VFO Project

Practical VHF Antenna Aspects

VNA's

B05 RadioTek Reboot

Practical SDR Transceivers

NZART Awards

**And possibly also;**

Compact HF Antenna for small spaces

