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Greetings everyone,

Welcome to **Headquarters-Info-Line** a fortnightly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters E-mailed directly to Branches. Use it for display, for discussion, but most importantly it can be used by newsletter editors. Use the information in part or in full, each item will be self contained. Newsletter editors who wish to receive a direct mailing of "**Headquarters-Info-Line**" should send their E-mail address to jim.m@clear.net.nz

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NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:

After a very successful face to face meeting held here in Upper Hutt, I am happy to advise that Council are encouraging Councillors and myself to visit Branches. What I would like to know from you all is, do you think your Branch would see any benefit in a visit from HQ? Could I assist in increasing Branch and NZART membership by answering questions? Most importantly, what direction NZART HQ is taking in the future? Please let me know, either via email or snail mail if you are interested. A small budget has been allocated for this, however I will only utilise this if it is in the best interests of the Association.

I am happy to advise an increase in sales, of Ham Shacks, Brass Pounders and Rag Chewers, due to the recent special of \$19.95 per copy. This special will continue until the next issue of Break In, so be in!

A New NZ Government Web Document:

A recent article in the "**Dominion**" Wellington's morning newspaper drew attention to a new document on the New Zealand Government web page: www.govt.nz entitled: "Guidelines for the use, management and design of New Zealand public sector websites".

New NZ Government Web Document Cont:

The document is a major one - 44 pages in it's WORD format. It is available for reading on-screen or for downloading at:

http://www.govt.nz/egovt/policies_and_guidelines/web-guidelines/

It is for public discussion and comment and public submissions are called for.

A "final" version will be published later when submissions have been considered . At this time NZART sees no reason for action. This note is purely to make you aware of the existence this new document.

REVIEW OF ANNUAL RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS LICENCE

FEES: A document from MED about a review of licence fees (see HQ Info-Line #2) is now available at the MED site. <http://www.med.govt.nz/rsm/DP15.pdf>

NZART's Administration Liaison Officer Fred Johnson ZL2AMJ says that the review appears to have little impact on the NZ Radio Amateur - the only major reference is at paragraph 9.15 which says: "**9.15 amateur, maritime mobile (ships) and aeronautical mobile (aircraft) stations would continue to be treated as station-based licences in view of the multiplicity of equipment, frequencies and services installed in these stations.**"

Comment is called for by 16 March, NZART will be responding.

Change of Manager for the ZL3-Prefix QSL Sub-Bureau:

The NZART QSL Bureau Manager Barry Stewart ZL2RR has advised a change of Manager for the ZL3-prefix QSL sub-bureau. Mr E. W. (Bill) Jefferis ZL3DV has been appointed.

All incoming cards for any amateur holding a ZL3 call sign, whether or not a member of NZART, are available from ZL3DV for the price of a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE)!

To assist Bill in setting up this operation, you are asked to please take out the time to drop him a note and confirm your requirements for the handling of your incoming cards (e.g. frequency of mailing) and to also check on whether or not he has on hand SASEs of yours. The undertaking of this simple request will greatly assist ZL3DV to provide the service from that we expect! Bill has taken receipt of some QSL cards and envelopes from the previous manager, Derek ZL3SL.

The ZL3 Prefix Sub-bureau's new address is **Mr E.W. Jefferis, ZL3DV,
4 Cunningham Street,
LEESTON.**

NZART Contest Info from Stan White ZL2ST:

The **Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest** for Branch teams is on next weekend February 24 and 25. Get together a group and get your Branch on the air for NZART's 75th.

Commonwealth Contest. A CW contest between Commonwealth countries on March 10th and 11th 1200 to 1200 UTC. It is a friendly contest which brings some rarish calls on to the bands. There are 12 and 24 hour sections. The Manager of this contest Bob Whelan G3PJT will be touring New Zealand in February and March with the callsign **ZL4CC**. He will operate in the contest from Waiheke Island.

Branch Certificates from Headquarters:

It is NZART Council policy that certificates can be provided for Branches on a "no cost" basis - for Branch Life Members, for Service, etc. Just fill in a Certificate Request form obtainable from NZART HQ and send it back.

Dates To Remember:

- ✓ **Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest** Saturday 24th/Sunday 25th February.
- ✓ **Next NZART Official Broadcast** Sunday 25th February at 8pm & 9pm.
- ✓ Next issue of **Headquarters-Info-Line**, will be E-mailed on 4th March.
- ✓ **Closing date** for copy for the **March/April** issue of **Break-In** 10th March
- ✓ **Technology Convention** Whangarei at Easter Weekend 14th & 15th of April.
- ✓ **NZART 75th Jubilee Conference** in Auckland 2nd & 3rd of June.

Until the next issue,

73

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Editor