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Greetings Everyone!

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## **The NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:**

**Jumbo ZL1HV 1913 – 2005 R.I.P. Silent Key** I was very honoured and privileged to have attended Jumbo's final farewell service in Auckland on Wednesday this week. His service was attended by approximately 150 people, most of whom were hams, and able to relate to the wonderful stories regaled by his Daughter Anne and Granddaughter Rebecca. During the service a poem titled "The Dash" was retold as had been at his beloved Noelle's service not so long ago and which Jumbo himself requested to be re-read as he loved its opportunity to reflect on the life of a loved one.

The dash (-) is the symbol in between the birth and death dates. For Jumbo this was filled with so many events, activities and most importantly the contribution to life itself. Starting with his early beginning back in England, his move to New Zealand after retiring from the RAF and to us Kiwis his very committed and dedicated work in the Amateur Radio Fraternity. I must also mention here his love of gardening and the ability to prove that Aotearoa could grow any vegetable known to man, regardless of conditions.

One more thing that many of us didn't know was Jumbo's love of Christmas. So much was he in the spirit of ensuring that big fat fellow in a red suit could find his house, I understand from his son John, that any expeditions to Singapore for amateur radio for the IARU were also chances for him to purchase yet another 30 kilo's of special Christmas lights, in order to decorate the outside of his home in Browns Bay.

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC speaking on behalf of the Association paid tribute to the colourful and impressive opportunities that Jumbo took to encourage people into the world of amateur radio.

Farewell Jumbo to a much loved and respected father, grandfather, fellow amateur and friend. 73 & 88.

**Examinations** "A message to exam supervisors and candidates: There has been a change to a question in the Examination Question-Bank to reflect a recent regulatory change (Regulations Question 47 has been replaced). The new exam software is NZARTX05 and it can be downloaded from the NZART web. The NZART training documents are being revised and the new versions should be ready by the time you read this."

**Exam Survey...**A recent survey sent out via HQ Info-line a couple of weeks ago regarding Branch requirements for recruitment and Examination classes on DVD, should be completed by the Branch as a whole. If you missed it – I will be sending out a hardcopy in the next Branch Circular due out at the end of this month.

Talk soon.....**Debby ZL2TDM**

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## **Tribute to Arthur Godfrey ZL1HV (Jumbo) as in the NZART Official Broadcast of Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August:**

Tonight a tribute to NZART Life Member, Past President, Vice President and Councillor, "Jumbo" Godfrey ZL1HV who fell silent key yesterday morning, Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2005.

Jumbo was first licensed in 1947 as G3DAF; He served in the RAF from 1931 through 1962 with the last 14 years on the staff of various Commanders-in-Chief. Over this period he had the calls DL2MZ, VE2DAF and VR3SZ. He came to New Zealand in 1962 and was a tutor at Auckland Technical Institute for 16 years.

Jumbo was President of NZART from 1977 through 1983, a term of six years which, at the time, was a record, and has since been equalled just once.

In an interview in 1996 Jumbo spoke of the issues during his time as NZART President:

**Audio INSERT 1.** (Audio can be heard on the Official Broadcast on the NZART Web site)

At the National and International level, Jumbo also held the office of Vice-President NZART and was an NZART Councillor for many years. He was awarded Amateur of the year in 1973 and awarded Honorary Life membership of NZART in 1983. A keen supporter of NZART's overseas activities, he represented NZART at many IARU Region 3 Conferences. He was a Director IARU Region 3 1982-1985 and was responsible for organising the Sixth IARU Region 3 Conference in Auckland in November 1985. Jumbo attended SEANET in Singapore in 1983 and for many years thereafter. He was a friend of many Amateur Radio Societies of our Region.

At the local level Jumbo's involvement was untiring, He was a Life Member of Northshore Branch 29 and a committee member of the Branch for over 40 years stepping down from office only recently. He was a Life Member of the Hibiscus Coast Branch 80. Jumbo was a founder member of the Auckland Regional Committee back in 1963 and of course Jumbo's contributions to Break-In is legendary.

It is from Jumbo's involvement with, participation in and contribution to NZART's Annual Conference that many will have fond memories of Jumbo ZL1HV. His beginnings with NZART Conference, they go back to the committee for Auckland's conference in 1963. Since then he has attended all but one, or possibly two, NZART Conferences.

Jumbo was a firm believer that members should control the policy of their Association and that **all** amateurs should be a member of their National Societies. He also maintained that youth should be given the utmost encouragement to participate in the magic that is Amateur Radio.

Thorough out this tribute tonight I have referred to ZL1HV as "Jumbo" Well, how did Arthur Godfrey get this name. I leave the explanation to him:

**Audio INSERT 2.** (Audio can be heard in the Official Broadcast File on the NZART Web site)

The voice of the late Jumbo Godfrey ZL1HV, NZART Life Member and Past President, who became Silent key Yesterday, Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August at the age of 92.

The Association extends to both Jumbo's family and his many friends and acquaintances our deepest and sincere sympathy

The August NZART Official Broadcast can be found at : <http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/Update/Broadcast/>

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**Amateur Licence Statistics from the Ministry of Economic Development's web site with Tony Case ZL1UD:**

| Statistics                               |                  |                   |                  |                  |  |
|--|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| Amateur Radio Licensing Statistics       |                  |                   |                  |                  |  |
| Category                                 | <u>Aug.24.04</u> | <u>June.21.05</u> | <u>Jul.21.05</u> | <u>Aug.29.05</u> |  |
| <b>Grade</b>                             |                  |                   |                  |                  |  |
| General Grade                            | 4765             | 4662              | 4685             | 4739             |  |
| Limited Grade                            |                  |                   |                  |                  |  |
| Novice Grade                             | 12               | 9                 | 9                | 9                |  |
| <b>Total Amateur Licenses Issued</b>     | <b>4777</b>      | <b>4671</b>       | <b>4694</b>      | <b>4748</b>      |  |
| Beacons                                  | 42               | 42                | 45               | 43               |  |
| Digi-peaters                             | 29               | 29                | 27               | 27               |  |
| Fixed                                    | 2                | 1                 | 1                | 1                |  |
| Repeaters                                | 231              | 277               | 262              | 260              |  |
| TV Repeaters                             | 37               | 41                | 40               | 40               |  |
| <b>Total Beacons Repeaters and Links</b> |                  | <b>390</b>        | <b>375</b>       | <b>371</b>       |  |
| <b>Total Licenses</b>                    | <b>5118</b>      | <b>5061</b>       | <b>5069</b>      | <b>5119</b>      |  |

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### Contests with Stan White ZL2ST:

**Monday September 5 0915 UTC** is the time for the annual **Doug Gorman Memorial Frequency Measuring Contest**. Time to test your station equipment. Listen for ZL6A on approximately 3900 kHz for instructions on the frequencies that will be used and the procedure to be adopted. . Read each frequency as accurately as possible. Post your entry to: **Doug Gorman Frequency Measuring Contest, NZART, P.O. Box 40-525, Upper Hutt** within seven days. Include details of equipment used and which section entered (eg, John McKim Cup - simple equipment or Norm Edwards Shield - sophisticated equipment). If you make readings during this activity, but do not wish to have your results published, please drop us a line so we know how many people were interested.

**Saturday September 10 0700-1000 UTC** is the time for the **NZART Nostalgia Night** on 80 metres. Two periods 0800-0830 and 0830-0900 UTC. One point per contact on either AM or CW but not both. Logs to ZL1MDS [mike.ds@paradise.net.nz](mailto:mike.ds@paradise.net.nz)

### Results of VK trans Tasman 160 metre CW contest. (Call/Score/QSOs)

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| 1. VK2AYD      | 984/93  |
| 2. ZL1DD       | 913/104 |
| 3. ZL3IX       | 875/99  |
| 5. ZL1BYZ      | 651/80  |
| 7. ZL2BSJ      | 592/75  |
| 8. ZL4AA       | 550/78  |
| 9= ZL1JG       | 496/71  |
| 9= VK4SN       | 496/62  |
| 11. ZL6FF      | 461/66  |
| 12. ZL1NI      | 385/52  |
| 13. ZL1DK      | 362/57  |
| 15. ZL4JAD/qrp | 223/23  |
| 16. ZL2ARC     | 144/24  |

Full details at <http://home.iprimus.com.au/vktasman/>

## **Dates To Remember:**

- **Closing Date for Sept/Oct Break-In is Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September.**
- **Next HQ-Info-Line Sunday e-mailed Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September.**
- **NZART Official Broadcast Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September.**

**73**

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