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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](mailto:jim.m@clear.net.nz)

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

For those of you have not yet received your Break In, there is perhaps a chance you may have missed paying the 2001 subscription. A reminder notice will be sent at the end of February. On receipt of payment the Jan/Feb issue will be posted out.

Another sub tenant has joined us in the NZART HQ Office. This time my new neighbours are broadcasting on 88.2FM to the local community. This is essentially a kids based programme, which in the long term will also be introduced into Media communication studies throughout the local highschools. Perhaps a chance also for Amateur Radio to get involved. My aim at this stage is to raise the profile of Amateur Radio with these kids, even to just get them asking questions.

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## **From the Ministry of Economic Development:**

**New Zealand Amateur Statistics at 1 February 2001** - Repeaters 196, Beacons 42, Digipeaters 27, Fixed 2, General 3382, Limited/Novice 70, Limited 1790, Novice 19, **Total 5554**

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## **Amateur Radio Promotional Movie:**

An Amateur Radio promotional “movie” has been developed by Fred Johnson ZL2AMJ. It is attached to this edition of Info-Line for you to view. You are encouraged to view it and pass it on to your friends. Use it to best effect! and spread it widely!

Also attached is an HTML file for those who may still be working out how to run the GIF animated file. This added file should not normally be necessary and it is suggested that it need not be passed on. Both these files should be saved to the same directory/folder for the HTML file to work.

This movie file is now available via the "promotional page" on the NZART web site. You will get more information from:

<http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/promo/promoting/promoting.html>

At the time of writing this edition, there was a Canadian adaption of the NZART animated promotional "movie" file on the RAC (Radio Amateurs of Canada) website at <http://www.rac.ca> less than three days after it appeared on the NZART Web site.

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### **NZART Contests:**

The Jock White Memorial Field Day a contest for branch teams. This event is on February 24 and 25 from 0200-1100 and 1700-0200 UTC - that's 3pm midnight Saturday and 6 am to 3 pm Sunday on 80 and 40 metres. Get together a group, a tent or motor home, plus generator or batteries and put your Branch on the air for a few hours if not for the whole time. Minimum of 50 phone or 25 CW contacts per band to qualify. Full rules in November 1998 Break In and a summary in Nov/Dec 2000 issue. This year is special being NZART's 75th.

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### **WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY 2001**

From the IARU Region 3 Newsletter, Issue 1/2000, of December 2000, April 18<sup>th</sup> is designated as World Amateur Radio Day. The IARU Administrative Council has announced the theme for World Amateur Radio Day 2001: "**Providing Disaster Communications: Amateur Radio in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.**" How can your Branch become involved? See the article Amateur Radio Awareness on page 27 of your January/February Break-In.

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### **Continuing Issues with the Ministry of Economic Development New New Zealand Radio Regulations:**

It had been expected that the "New Regs" would be implemented early in 2001. The NZART Administration Liaison Officer has been advised by the Radio Spectrum Management Group of the Ministry of Economic Development that: "The Regulations project is still on track for a potential implementation date of June/July this year. The project also includes a fees review and we hope to release a public discussion paper in that regard within the next fortnight."

We had all been hoping that the NZART CallBook for 2001 would be back to being a complete listing and that other changes to benefit the Amateur Service could be implemented soon too. It seems that we must continue to wait. Watch the MED web page to see what the fee document is all about."

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**Dates to remember:**

- ✓ Closing date for copy for the March/April issue of Break-In 10<sup>th</sup> March.
- ✓ The next issue of **Headquarters–Info-Line**, E-mailed on 18th February.
- ✓ The next **NZART Official Broadcast** Sunday 25 February at 8pm & 9pm.
- ✓ **Technology Convention** Whangarei Easter Weekend 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> of April.
- ✓ **NZART 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Conference** Auckland 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> of June.

Many thanks to those of you who have provided feedback on issue #1. It really is appreciated. If I have the news you will have it. Until the next issue,

73

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