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Greetings Everyone!

Welcome to **Headquarters-Info-Line**, a fortnightly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters e-mailed direct to Branches. My thanks to Fred ZL2AMJ for ensuring the e-mail delivery of this issue.

It has never been easier to subscribe to the **Info-Line** distribution list and have **Info-Line** sent to you direct by e-mail. Go to the NZART web page www.nzart.org.nz and look for **Info-Line Subscribe**. Supply your name, callsign and e-mail address and that's all you need to do. You will receive an e-mail confirmation of your auto-subscription and you can un-subscribe at any time.

NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM says:

Proxy Votes

With Conference nearing and all branches having now received their membership figures for voting, it is timely to remind those who are not able to attend, to forward a *proxy vote* to me here at HQ.

If you know of someone who is attending Conference and wish to have them represent your Branch, please forward the numbers of those who voted for each remit to that person. Otherwise, just send them to me

before **Wednesday 29th May** and I will ensure a representative from the floor is given your details.



Final Reminders for Subscriptions

Final reminder notices have now gone out to all unpaid members for 2002. Please check with me if you are unsure whether a member has paid before accepting their vote on remits.

NZART Logo for Branches

Just a reminder that NZART Headquarters can provide the following to Branches:

- 1) The NZART badge/logo in its various forms can be provided on disk in various formats for Branches to use for newsletters, stationery and for certificates etc.
- 2) The NZART badge/logo on disk can be customised with the branch callsign added to the scroll.
- 3) Certificates can be provided tailored to various Branch purposes (e.g. to recognise a Branch Life Member).

Yet another NZART service!

Annual Leave!

I will be away from this Headquarters from Wednesday 8th May to Tuesday 14th May inclusive. If you have any queries, President Peter ZL2SJ will be in the Office on Friday 10th May and possibly Monday 13th May. Please go gently with him as he and Bruce Douglas ZL2WP will be trialing a draft HQ procedure manual that I have been working on.

... 'til next time ...

Did You Know?

... that the first NZART Conference was held in Auckland in December 1927 and was attended by 22 people? Annual Conferences were initially held between Christmas and New Year with an all-day business session and annual general meeting with a social in the evening. A picnic was usual on the day before or the day following.

From 1946, NZART conferences were held on the King's and later the Queen's Birthday weekends with a two or three-day mix of business and social activities. The 1976 Golden Jubilee conference in Auckland attracted a record 711 participants.

In 1966 Nelson hosted the conference. This year conference returns to Nelson. "*Break-In*" August 1966 records: "Nelson was literally sprinkled with NZART signs, banners and, of course, Eiffel Towers at the back of amateurs' motor cars. This must go down on record as the most happy and successful Convention. There is no doubt about it, a city the size of Nelson really throws itself whole-heartedly into a Convention and it really becomes quite a civil and provincial matter and the keys of the city are virtually passed over to the Association."

See you in Nelson in a few weeks - for Conference 2002!

NZART works in the interests of all radio amateurs in New Zealand and needs the support of your continuing membership. Suggest to others that they join NZART too.

See: <http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/join/join.html>

From the Ministry of Economic Development:

The amateur statistics as at 1 May 2002:

Repeaters	205;	Beacons	42;	Digipeaters	29;
Fixed	2;	General	3309;	Limited/Novice	5;
Limited	1656;	Novice	19;	TV Repeaters	19;

Total = 5286.

Contests with Stan White ZL2ST:

Upcoming contests are:

May 11/12 1200-1200 UTC (Sa/Su) Volta Worldwide RTTY Contest
 May 11/12 2100-2100 UTC (Sa/Su) CQ-M (Russia) International CW / SSB / SSTV DX
 May 18/19 2100-0200 UTC (Sa/Su) Baltic CW / SSB Contest

The important one for us is the **NZART Sangster Shield CW Contest** on 80 metres between 0800-1100 UTC (8pm - 11 pm NZT) on Saturday/Sunday **May 18/19**. The more activity the better for all - particularly for the extra Branch numbers. Give it a go below 3530 kHz.

Again this year minimal **Field Day** results will appear in the next Break In. For those who check their multiplier success, the following were the valid multipliers. (Maximums are one less than the listed Branches because you cannot count your own number):

Maximum Total: 102

80 PH (max = 34): 02, 05, 08, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 34, 35, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46, 50, 51, 53, 54, 55, 60, 65, 67, 69, 74, 77, 79, 86.

80 CW (max = 25): 02, 03, 05, 08, 10, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 40, 42, 43, 46, 50, 54, 65, 67, 69, 77, 79.

40 PH (max = 29): 02, 03, 05, 08, 11, 17, 18, 20, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 34, 35, 37, 41, 50, 51, 54, 55, 60, 65, 66, 67, 69, 74, 79, 86.

40 CW (max = 14): 02, 03, 05, 20, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 50, 54, 65, 67, 69.

2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan (TM)

Commemorative Stations:

JARL is pleased to announce that unique callsigns, 8M1C, 8N1C, 8J1C, 8J2C, 8N3C, 8J3C, 8J6C, 8J7C, 8J8C and 8J0C have been issued for special event stations to be established to commemorate the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan (TM). They will be on the air from May 1 to June 30, 2002 and will be operated by local hams with the support of JARL. They will be equipped to allow simultaneous operation on all bands from 1.9 – 1200 MHz. JARL hopes them to make many QSOs with radio amateurs all over the world. Attractive commemorative cards will be sent to you from JARL Bureau (no need to send your card).

"2002 Suffix-C" Award Program

1. Requirements - Please make contact with one (or more) of the above mentioned suffix-C stations, and send a list of contacts (no need to receive QSL cards) furnished with the call signs of stations worked (heard), dates, bands and modes of the contact (reception) to JARL Award Desk (Address: 1-14-5, Sugamo, Toshima-ku, Tokyo 170-8073 Japan)

2. Fees Overseas: 8 IRCs or US\$8.- or 1,000JPY. JARL Members: 500JPY, Non JARL Members: 1,000JPY.

3. Period - Only contacts (receptions) made from May 1, 2002 through June 30, 2002 will be acceptable. JARL will start accepting the applications on May 1, 2002, and will close on December 31, 2002.

4. Endorsement - Applicants can request for maximum three of the following four endorsements. (1) Single Band, (2) Single Mode, (3) QRP, (4) Satellite.

If you have any questions, please contact JARL Operation Section,
E-mail: oper@jarl.or.jp

Date For Return of Call Book Updates:

The Call Book Editor Doug Pratt ZL2BCF advised in his column in the March/April *Break In*, that all update forms are ***to be returned by May 15th 2002***. This has now been extended until 15 June, to allow those Groups who hold their AGM at Conference to forward any changes ***promptly*** to the General Secretary at Conference.

However while the deadline for Call Book has been extended until the 15th of June to account for changes at conference AGM's, the editor would appreciate ***as many contributions as possible by May 15th***. This will allow initial preparation and type-setting of Call Book with the conference changes made as editorial amendments.

The Branch Spot: This issue we visit the web site of Gisborne Amateur Radio Club Branch 11 of NZART. For up-to-date information from Poverty Bay, point your web browser to <http://www.qsl.net/zl2aa/index.html>



"Centre of New Zealand NZART Conference 2002"

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND 1-2 JUNE 2002

Nelson Conference 2002 will be held at the Tahuna Beach Function Centre, located at Tahuna beach Holiday Park, Beach Road, Tahuna Nelson. This is 6 km away from Nelson City centre. Magnificent scenery, beach at your doorstep, central heating for your comfort, plenty of on-site accommodation, parking and plenty of aerial space.

Accommodation is available on-site at the Tahuna Beach Holiday Park. All motels are within in 10 minutes walking distance to the venue. ALL accommodation bookings MUST be made through Nelson Tourism Services P.O. Box 1282 Nelson, Phone 03 546 6338 or Fax 03 545 9227. Email: conferences@nzdirect.co.nz This will be at no extra cost to you as they have arranged bulk-bookings for us, so be in early to avoid disappointment.

A full range of Forums has been organised for the conference weekend with many having two sessions to allow your full participation.

After the AGM on Saturday, Stuart ZL2TW talks about Medical Imaging, Don ZL1DTE presents hints on successfully running a Radio Club, John ZL3IB and Bob ZL2BFW deal to setting-up and going mobile and Peter ZL2SJ informs on the latest from the RadioScience Trust.

Sunday morning at 9am will see the normal AGMs for WARO, AREC, OTC and AMSAT, while Richard ZL1BOK gives the rundown on new equipment and trends.

Later on Sunday morning Stuart ZL2TW presents Medical Imaging, SPAM has an AGM and John ZL3IB and Bob ZL2BFW are setting up and going mobile again! This while Ian ZL1AOX and Bob ZL1BYP conduct a Satellite Forum.

It's a break for lunch then Lester ZL4PO introduces DXing, Don ZL1DTE provides ideas for the running of a successful club, Mike ZL2BCW and Andrew ZL2BBJ talk about equipment construction and Satellites are again on the menu with Ian ZL1AOX and Fred ZL1BYP.

At 3.30pm after afternoon tea, the final Forum sessions commence. Catch a video of the Campbell Island Dxpediton, Richard ZL1BOK gives a repeat rundown on new equipment and trends. Mike ZL2BCW and Andrew ZL2BBJ again present a forum on equipment construction and Lester ZL4PO introduces a forum on the Sky TV system and its operations.

Remember, the Conference registration form is in your March/April Break-In or it can be down-loaded as an 85K pdf file from the NZART web site at:
<http://www.amateur.radio.org.nz/nzart/Conference/RegForm.pdf>

SEE YOU ALL IN NELSON TO - LIVE THE DAY

Letitia Scott Conference Secretary 2002

Dates To Remember:

- **Closing Date for copy for the next issue of Break-In Friday 10th May**
- **HQ-Info-Line, will be e-mailed next on Sunday 19th May**
- **NZART Official Broadcast Sunday 26th May**
- **NZART Conference 1st & 2nd June 2002: **Nelson - live the day****

73

Jim Meachen ZL2BHF
Editor
