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Greetings Everyone,

Welcome to **Headquarters-Info-Line** a fortnightly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters E-mailed directly to Branches.

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NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:

Break In - My sincere apologies – I have no stocks of the Jan/February Break In. I am sure there will be someone in your area who may be able to loan their copy to you should you need it.

Reciprocal Licensing Bureau Vacancy - Russ Garlick ZL3AAA became a silent key last year. He was the Reciprocal Licensing Bureau Manager for NZART. As we get a number of enquiries from overseas visitors this role is very important within the Association. If you feel that you have the appropriate skills for this position, please contact me for more details.

Offer from Origin Pacific - At our recent face to face Council meeting, Tony Case ZL1UD presented an offer from Origin Pacific. They will issue the Association with a unique 4-digit number to promote to members. Every time someone books travel through this airline quoting this number Origin Pacific will provide a percentage of the value of travel back to our sponsorship account once set up. NZART is then in control of the level of sponsorship that they can provide. More details about this offer will be available soon.

Councillor Vacancy Northern Region - Due to unforeseen circumstances, Ted ZL1MT has had to resign from Council. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Ted for all his support and assistance during his time on Council. This however leaves a vacancy for someone in the Northern Region, who is able to step into the role. If interested, again please contact either Peter ZL2SJ or myself.

That's all from HQ... Talk again soon, **Debby ZL2TDM**

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

Category	Date <u>Nov. 25, 03</u>	Date <u>Dec. 19, 03</u>	Date <u>Jan.23,04</u>	Date <u>Feb.26.04</u>
General Grade	3155	3162	3168	3171
Limited Grade	1516	1525	1534	1541
Novice Grade	12	12	12	12
Total Licensed	4683	4699	4714	4724
Amateurs				
Beacons	42	42	42	42
Digi-peaters	28	28	29	29
Fixed	2	2	2	2
Repeaters	211	211	211	211
TV Repeaters	19	19	19	19
Total Licenses	4985	5001	5017	5027

Experience Marlborough 2004 NZART Conference:

When - Queens Birthday weekend, 5th & 6th June 2004.

Where - Marlborough Girls College, McLaughlan Street, Blenheim.

The 78th annual NZART conference in Marlborough the gourmet province is easily accessible by road, air and sea; there is no excuse not to come!

This year, Conference will commence with a brief opening ceremony followed immediately by the AGM. The two keynote guest speakers for the conference weekend will be part of the forum programme on both Saturday afternoon and on Sunday. They are John Welch, a retired RNZAF doctor who will talk on his experiences in Iraq as part of a United Nations weapons inspection team and Foss Leach ZL2KP, who will give a presentation on the technology and techniques used in archaeology. Foss, a retired prehistory anthropologist from Otago University has much knowledge of pre-European New Zealand.

Forum topics, detailed in the last issue of HQIL are virtually finalised and include something for everyone. In Sunday's lineup expect SPAM, AREC, WARO, OTC and AMSAT-ZL.

The registration cost for the Marlborough 2004 Conference will be the same as for the Wairarapa Conference last year. Look for the Conference registration form in your next edition of Break-In. It will also be available on-line soon.

Accommodation remains at a premium in Blenheim for this holiday weekend so book early and avoid disappointment. For information see our website: www.zl2ks.com

Contact: Conference Secretary: Helen Harris ZL2TPT

Telephone or Fax: 03 575 7181

Or e-mail: mt.adde@xtra.co.nz

Contests with Stan White ZL2ST:

The ARRL SSB contest is on this weekend through to 1 pm Monday NZT. March 13/14 is Commonwealth (BERU) Contest time. CW contacts with Commonwealth countries are valid for this event and there are usually some choice DX countries on. It runs from 1000 UTC Sat to 1000 UTC Sun. Brief rules are in Break In. Give it a go. Saturday March 20 0100 UTC to March 21 0059 is time for the Australian John Moyle Memorial Field Day. ZL and P29 can enter this event as well as VKs.

Our Field Day created lots of activity on 80 and 40 metres despite the atrocious weather conditions around most of the country. Some clubs were not able to access their field day sites and operated from home or clubrooms. There was a good amount of home station activity in this event too under the new rules. My apologies to those affected by an error in the rules on the web site regarding home - home contacts.

Dates To Remember:

- Closing Date for copy for Next Break-In 10th March
- Next HQ-Info-Line e-mailed on **Tuesday 23rd March**
- Next NZART Official Broadcast 8pm & 9pm on Sunday 28th March
- NZART Conference 5th and 6th June 2004 at Marlborough Girls College, Blenheim.

73

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Editor