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Greetings Everyone,

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NZART Business Manager Debby ZL2TDM Says:

While I initially laughed at my doctor when he advised how long I would need to recover from my operation I now understand why he gave a specified period of time for recuperation. I am now getting to the office for short periods each day however will not be back at work full time until the 17th May.

My thanks to President Peter ZL2SJ for keeping the workload down and answering telephone and urgent e-mail messages.

On this note I have received word that some of you when sending e-mails to me have been notified that the NZART address is over limit. On inquiring with the Clear help desk, I was told we had over 4000 spam on the server in the last 30 days. The easiest way to clear this was to have them delete it all. I would ask that if you have sent a message to me in the last month, - **but have not received a response** – to please resend your message. I am assured that I will receive it now. My apology for any inconvenience this has caused.

An important note for Branch Executive Committees – Please make sure you set up a Branch remit meeting. If you are not sending a delegate to Conference in Blenheim, then either appoint a delegate from a neighbouring branch or appoint the General Secretary and forward your Branch voting figures to NZART Headquarters. We must have your vote represented, otherwise we could risk the AGM failing for lack of a quorum. See constitution, para 20 c. Besides, we shouldn't take our democratic Association for granted."

Lastly a reminder to Branch Secretaries, please forward your Branch details and FMTAG Repeater/Beacon information to me for inclusion in the next call book. The final date for receipt of this information is 17th May.

Debby ZL2TDM

Experience Marlborough 2004 NZART Conference:

The experience Marlborough 2004 conference will be an event not to be missed, the registrations are really coming in at a great rate. The Monday wine trail is definitely on as there is plenty of interest. Don't forget to tick the box on the registration form if you would like to attend the wine trail.

There will be two radios raffled at conference: a Tait T2000 VHF base set that Tait will programme with the channels of your choice free of charge, and an Icom IC-T3H two metre hand-held, 5 watt and 100 memory channels. Thanks to Tait electronics and Icom NZ for these prizes.

Accommodation at all budget levels is still available in Blenheim for Queens's birthday weekend.

The alternative programme has a quilting option on the Sunday morning with Jean Wilson, one of the countries top quilters, anyone interested please indicate when registering.

For further information, accommodation and the registration form, please see our website at www.zl2ks.com

Contact: Conference Secretary: Helen Harris ZL2TPT

Telephone or Fax: 03 575 7181

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



The advertisement features a CD on the left with the text "Become a RADIO AMATEUR!" and "ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW TO...". To the right, the text reads: "Give your friends the CD they have been waiting for! The AMATEUR RADIO STUDY GUIDE, the TUTORIAL NOTES, and the MORSE TEACHER with an INTRODUCTION to AMATEUR RADIO! \$10 gift-wrapped and post-paid from NZART Headquarters!"

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

Category	Date <u>Feb.13.04</u>	Date <u>Feb.26.0</u>	Date <u>Mar.23.04</u>	Date <u>Apr.27.04</u>
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General Grade	3170	3171	3173	3173
Limited Grade	1540	1541	1543	1546
Novice Grade	12	12	12	12
Total Licensed Amateurs	4722	4724	4728	4731
Beacons	42	42	42	42
Digi-peaters	29	29	29	29
Fixed	2	2	2	2
Repeaters	211	211	219	219
TV Repeaters	19	19	19	19
Total Licenses	5025	5027	5039	5042

Contests with Stan White ZL2ST:

The N.Z.A.R.T. Sangster Shield Contest is on May 15th & 16th 2004, 0800-1100 UTC on each evening. Full rules are on page 6.2 and 6.3 of the 2002/3 NZART callbook and on the NZART contest website for this CW only event. The output of the transmitter must not exceed 5 Watts for the Sangster Shield section. The Cypher exchange is RST/branch number/power output - eg 569/50/04 (report 569; Branch 50; power 4W). Use 99 for powers over 100W. Below 10W precede power by 0. Logs must be posted to reach the Contest Manager, Glenn Kingston ZL2KZ, 53 Tannadyce Street, Wellington 6003, on or before 12th June, 2004.

The VK transTasman SSB event is on May 22 on 80 metres.

Dates To Remember:

- **Next HQ-Info-Line e-mailed Sunday 16th May**
- **Closing Date for copy for May/June Break-In Monday 10th May**
- **Next NZART Official Broadcast 8pm & 9pm on Sunday 30th May**
- **NZART Conference 5th and 6th June 2004 at Marlborough Girls College, Blenheim.**

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Jim Meachen ZL2BHF

Editor