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Greetings Everyone

Welcome to Headquarters-Infoline a twice-monthly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters e-mailed directly to Branches and to others that subscribe through the NZART Web Site. This bulletin is also distributed on the amateur radio packet network.

The General Secretary is on leave, so the content was very thin for this Infoline. Please find an extraction from the Conference Official Broadcast as the main item of this Infoline.

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**OFFICIAL BROADCAST THIS MONTH IS ON SUNDAY 29 JUNE 2008**

**NEXT InfoLine IS TO BE E-MAILED ON SUNDAY 22 JUNE 2008**

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## Extracted Notes From Conference Official Broadcast Sunday 1 June 2008

Present by Bruce Douglas ZL2WP and Jim Meachen ZL2BHF from Dunedin

President Bruce Douglas ZL2WP thanked the combined branches that ran the Conference: Oamaru, South Otago, Gore, Eastern Southland, Invercargill, Southland and Central Otago

## Thursday Evening and Friday 30 June 2008

Strategic plan introduced in 2002 was discussed on Thursday evening by Council and will be brought up at the Council's monthly meetings

Arthur Jumbo Godfrey Memorial Award to recognise members of NZART at Branch level that may be not recognised at national level. The recipients for this award were: David Scott ZL2BCA, Barry Stewart ZL2RR, Doug Tennent ZL1AVY, Bert Wise ZL3ABL. A Councillor in the recipient's area will present the badge

Webmasters position recently advertised was given to Jamie Pye ZL2NN

Council declined to recognise the Radio and Electronics Group as a branch but would consider it as an affiliate

Chairman FMTAG. No appointment has been made. Consideration is also been given to additional members for this group

Council resolved that the concessionary rated of membership be abolished. Members in this category will be advised outlying alternative methods of payment in the 2009 subscription year. The General Secretary has the authority to give concessionary membership in genuine cases of hardship

Subscription for 2009 will remain at the same level as 2008 except the discount for early payment will be reduced from \$15 to \$10, No rebate will apply to overseas or student membership categories

It has been suggested that the May Council meetings minutes be available on the NZART Web prior to Conference. This was agreed to.

By Council invitation John Walker ZL3IB, Break-In Editor; Peter Lake ZL2AZ, IARU Region 3 Director and Terry Carrel ZL3QL attended the Council meeting. Terry Carrell outlined the progress on the organisation made for the October 2009 IARU Region 3 meeting to be held in Christchurch and hosted by NZART

The Friday Council meeting closed at 5.45 pm

### **Saturday 31 May 2008**

Saturday morning saw the opening of the Conference. The Mayor of Dunedin Peter Chin, Police SAR Manager Senior Sergeant Brian Ben, Dunedin Civil Defence representative Norman Brown, President of NZART Bruce Douglas ZL2WP, Vice President of NZART Doctor Stuart Watchmant ZL2TW, General Secretary of NZART Debby Morgan ZL2TDM were piped in to the meeting in traditional southern style. In a delightful speech by Mayor Peter Chin, who reminded the NZART President of their earlier law years in the NZART President's home town of Dunedin. The president of the host Branch Otago, Arthur Curline ZL4TIK, then welcomed all delegates to the conference. This was followed by an entertaining presentation by Gary Bold ZL1AN, retired Professor of Physics, on how the first transistor was invented.

The AGM commenced after morning tea when the required numbers attending was confirmed.

Evan Sayer presented the association accounts. Evan predicted in 2007 that there would be a deficit this year but it ended with a small profit. This was mainly due by the branches payment of repeater and beacon accounts and the higher interest gained off investment accounts. Evan was applauded for his keeping of the association's accounts

All annual reports from officers were presented with little comment

Rothchild Cup is awarded to a Branch for the highest number of successful examination candidates. The Hasting Branch gained this award for 2007

The Hastings Branch took this opportunity to invite all present to attend the 2009 NZART Annual Conference in Hastings

Eleven remits

1) Christchurch West Amateur Radio Club - Call sign data maintained from NZART records.  
Lost on voices

2) Christchurch West Amateur Radio Club - Charging of non-members data in call book.  
Not required as remit one was lost

3) Manawatu Radio Club - Establish a Training programme like Foundation License  
Passed counting of votes

4) Manawatu Radio Club - Review of AGM and Conferences  
Passed counting of votes

5) Napier Branch - PIB 46 review  
Withdrawn

6) Napier Branch - One Letter call signs  
Withdrawn

7) North Shore Branch - Cyber membership  
Lost on voices

8) Tauranga District Radio Club - Dis-establishment of AREC sections within branches, amendment to Constitution.  
Passed on votes

9) Individual members - PIB46 ZLE series call signs  
Lost on votes

10) Individual members - All Council minutes available to members  
Lost on voices

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Past on voices

### **General Business**

Call Book: Roy Symon ZL2KH to collate all comments and present them at a later stage regarding the presentation and format of the Call Book

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC addressed the meeting and discussed the relationship between Cordier (ex BCL) and NZART. Health and safety issues discussed

Publicity Officer vacant for some time but all conclude that the association would benefit greatly by having this position filled.

Stephen Cooper ZL2WAU 80th anniversary of the Tararua Branch and invites all present to attend

David Karrasch ZL1DK moved a motion of thanks to Mark Gooding ZL2UFI as the webmaster. This was carried with applause

The stirrers award was awarded to Bruce Means ZL3BM for causing the counting of votes on four of the remits

Meeting concluded at 16.45

Highlights from the weekend were the displays by Vertex Standard

At the formal dinner Prof John Tagg presented a speech about true bliss.

### **Sunday Forums and AGMs 1 June 2008**

AREC  
A potential new funding source  
Cards section  
Southern manager need  
New list for type approved equipment  
AREC certificate given to Dermot ZL4DMM and staff ZK9K9  
Class 3 searches deleted  
Next AREC on air training day 8 November 2008

OTC  
Officers remain the same  
Montgomery cup for best article in Break-In Harry Wiggins ZL2BFR

Spam  
All officers returned

WARO  
Informal meeting

Results for the 2008 Thelma Souper Memorial Contest (WARO)  
YL Section  
1 Lee white ZL2LW  
2 Celia Reed ZL1ALK  
3 Sharon May

VK Section  
Pam Benner VK4PTO

OM Section  
1 Wayne Fisher ZL2AYB  
2 Paul Manley ZL2CQ  
3 Leo Hodge ZL2AJB

Other Forums on Sunday 1 June 2008  
Natural History Michael Steadman  
Mountain radio  
DXCC card checking  
Palmer Station, Antarctica  
VHF Meteor Scatter  
APRS  
D-Star  
AMSAT  
History of digital modes  
Quartz Hill  
Introductory entry-level qualification for amateur radio

E&OE Jamie Pye ZL2NN 8 June 2008

You can find this broadcast on:- [www.nzart.org.nz/ob/](http://www.nzart.org.nz/ob/)  
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### **2008 Silver Fern Rally**

The 2008 Rally is on again and Marlborough Branch 22 has been asked to provide the necessary communications support. This year the rally starts in Christchurch on the 16 October goes via Queenstown, Dunedin, Invercargill, Dunedin, Timaru, Christchurch to finish in Blenheim on the 23 October. Mobile operators will be required to have VHF & HF comms with 40 & 80 mt Dipoles required for HF as the comms base will be at Rally HQ in Blenheim. It is intended that reasonable costs will be reimbursed for accommodation and fuel during the rally only and each operator will be required to organise their own accommodation.

Details on the rally can be seen at [www.silverfernally.co.nz](http://www.silverfernally.co.nz)

There are in excess of 150 operator locations for the 5-7 special stages per day for the 7days of the rally. Interested operators are asked to register by emailing [zl2ks@nzart.org.nz](mailto:zl2ks@nzart.org.nz) and to advise the dates available (to assist in early planning).

Regards, Branch 22

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### **WHANGAREI AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC**

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NOTICE

USED EQUIPMENT SALE

SATURDAY 26thJULY 2008

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Signed

Trevor Gould ZL1KAG, Secretary Br 28

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### **Contest News**

#### **VHF-UHF CONTEST NOTES**

#### **THE NEXT CONTESTS**

The next contest is the Brass Monkey Contest, 50 MHz and above, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of August 2008. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZT and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZT.

The rules are available at:

<[www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/update/contests/vhfcontestrules0606.html](http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/update/contests/vhfcontestrules0606.html)>

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

[zl2wa@clear.net.nz](mailto:zl2wa@clear.net.nz)

or:

Contest Manager, Wellington VHF Group, P.O. Box 12-259, Thorndon, Wellington

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## HF Contests

### CONTESTS THIS WEEKEND -- 7 & 8 JUNE 2008

Apologies for the late despatch of this week's bulletin - been afflicted with "ols ageitis" - somehow thought it was Thursday LL>

#### 2008 NZART MEMORIAL CONTEST

When :- 5 & 6 July 2008  
Time :- 2000 NZST to 2300 NZST each evening  
Band :- 80m  
Modes :- CW and SSB

This Contest was established soon after the re-commencement of Amateur Radio activity in NZ post World War 2 to commemorate those Radio Amateurs from our ranks who lost their lives in the Second World War.

A number of Contest categories are available to intending participants to suit their own individual interests, namely :-

Memorial Cup - awarded to the competitor who accumulates the highest aggregate of points achieved in both the CW and SSB modes.

Auckland CW Cup - awarded to the CW only competitor who returns the highest score in the CW only Section. All contacts to be CW to CW only.

Mannell Trophy - awarded to the competitor who returns the highest score, either or aggregated, in the CW and SSB Sections. Maximum power output in both modes limited to 10 watts.

Ron Gray Memorial Shield - awarded to the competitor in the Listeners Section who returns the highest score in that Section.

Bro. John Rogers Plaque - awarded to the competitor with the highest score using home made equipment.

Phil Armstrong ZL1BMC (VK7MC) Memorial Plaque - awarded to the competitor returning the highest score in the SSB Section only. All contacts must be Phone to Phone.

#### 2008 VK/TRANS-TASMAN CONTEST

When :- 160m Phone - 5 July 2008  
160m CW - 19 July 2008  
Times :- 0800 UTC to 1400 UTC each evening.

Contest rules and operating information is available from the Contest Website :-

<http://home.iprimus.com.au/vktasman>

Likewise the group calculator sheets and relative log sheets are also available from the Contest website, as are Contest Rules and other ancilliary information/operating aids.

#### INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE/LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND

When - 16 & 17 August 2008

Times - 0001 UTC (16th) until 2359 UTC (17th)

This is not a contest as such, but an international activity operating from landbase lighthouses, or floating lightships.

A fun team's event involving a true sense of adventure for seasoned landlubbers.

BEWARE OF OTHERLOOKALIKES/SOUNDALIKES activities that generally pop up a week, or so earlier than this ORIGINAL event.

Refer to the Official Website for more detailed information :-

<http://www.ilw.net>

#### OTHER FORTHCOMING CONTESTS

ANARTS WW RTTY Contest	0000Z, Jun 14 to 2400Z, Jun 15
Portugal Day Contest	0000Z-2400Z, Jun 14
GACW WWSA CW DX Contest	1500Z, Jun 14 to 1500Z, Jun 15
All Asian DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Jun 21 to 2400Z, Jun 22

Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest 1200Z, Jun 28 to 1200Z, Jun 29  
His Maj. King of Spain Contest, SSB 1200Z, Jun 28 to 1200Z, Jun 29  
Marconi Memorial HF Contest 1400Z, Jun 28 to 1400Z, Jun 29

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John Powell. ZL1BHQ  
NZART Contest Manager

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### **Break-In and Infoline Information**

#### **Break-In Closing Date Reminders**

##### **1. From the Editor Break-In, Official Journal of NZART Inc.**

"Copy for the JULY/AUGUST issue of Break-In closes on 10th JULY 2008.

Early receipt of copy is much appreciated. Thanks. John ZL3IB, Editor"

##### **2. COPY FOR THE AREC BREAK-IN COLUMN**

The close-of-copy date is the 3rd of JULY for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: [zl3qr@nzart.org.nz](mailto:zl3qr@nzart.org.nz) or [zl3ov@nzart.org.nz](mailto:zl3ov@nzart.org.nz).

Regards, Geoff ZL3QR

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OB at 8pm Sunday: 2008 Jun-29 Jul-27 Aug-31 Sep-28 Oct-26 Nov-30 Dec-21

**\* NZART Official Broadcast Sunday 29 JUNE 2008 \* and  
\* Next HQ-Info-Line e-mailed on Sunday 22 JUNE 2008 \***

Infoline on Sunday: 2008 Jun-08-22 Jul-06-20 Aug-03-17 Sep-07-21 Oct-05-19 Nov-09-23 Dec-07-21

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