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Payment of subscriptions

By now you should ALL have received your August September Break In, together with the annual invoice for the 2020 subscription.

This was attached to the front cover sheet of your Break In label. If you have mistakenly thrown it away, I can forward you a copy, however payment must be received by the 30th November to be eligible for the \$10 early payment rebate.

Just a reminder too, if you are making payment by credit card, please make sure the numbers are clear, and you have included the card expiry date. Also, if you wish to deduct the \$10 early

payment rebate, you will need to cross off the total value on your remittance advice and include the figures of the amount payable. E.g. \$99 to \$89.

Those members who take advantage of our monthly payment option, can I please ask that you check your payment reference details, as there are a number who have a) not included their membership number or b) transposed the figures of your membership number or c) do not include any reference details. The latter makes it extremely difficult to credit the correct person. This applies also to members who deposit the funds at their local BNZ bank. You **MUST** include a reference, of at the very least, your call sign if you cannot remember your membership number.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

Eastfest

Ashburton Amateur Radio Club have decided to run an Eastfest this year.

It will be held in Methven at the Mount Hutt Memorial Hall Theaterette on Saturday and Sunday

19th and 20th October, at 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday and 9:00am to 12:00noon Sunday.

We plan to have a varied programme of presentations pertaining to Ham Radio. Methven has a varied range of accommodation for those who wish to stay for the weekend.

We plan to organise an evening meal for those who would like to join us on Saturday evening. If anyone would like to do a presentation at this event, please contact me.

The theaterette has good audio-visual facilities with a large screen, computer connection capabilities and internet connection available.

We plan to provide HF and VHF/UHF antennas as well.

A door charge of \$10.00 to cover venue hire.

For catering purposes, can those who would like to join us for a meal on Saturday night please let me know.

Regards,

Jim Nelson ZL3ND, President Ashburton Branch 01.

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New Zealand Net (NZ Net)

All CW operators are invited to check into the net on **3535.0 kHz** at **9pm NZT, Monday-Friday.**

The net is “formal, but friendly.”

Purposes of the net

- To encourage CW operation
- To provide training and experience in CW net operation
- To provide training and experience in CW message handling

How the net works

You do not have to have traffic for the net, or even be experienced in traffic handling, in order to check into the net. All check-ins are welcome, even just to say hello and exchange signal reports.

The net runs at around 20 wpm, but will slow down if necessary to match your speed.

The net is brief (usually less than 15 minutes if no traffic). Longer chats occur after the net has closed.

Traffic, if any, is normally exchanged on the net frequency, which is a good opportunity for all stations to practise copying.

CW nets use quite a few abbreviations and Q Codes, but we'll try to stick to the most important ones. If you don't understand something, just send "?" and we will spell it out in plain language.

Find out more

The NZ Net webpages have numerous resources for those who are new to CW nets. Visit radio1nz.com/nznet

Or, contact Neil ZL1NZ, email neil@zl1.nz

Manawatu Br 20 Table Sale

NZART Branch 20 Manawatu Amateur Radio Society would like to advise that there annual Table Sale will be held at the Longburn Hall just South of Palmerston North on State Highway 56 next to the over-bridge on Saturday the 5th of October.

Doors will open for vendors at 7.30 AM and to buyers from 9 AM.

Table costs will be \$25 per full table and \$15 for a 1/2 table.

Light refreshments will be available to purchase on the day.

This event is always a good way to meet and greet old friends and new, so come along and grab that bargain while you're there.

To book a table, or for further inquiries, please contact the Branch 20 Secretary via email to:

secretary@zl2ko.org.nz or via post to:

Table Sale

Branch 20 Manawatu Amateur Radio Society

P O Box 1718

Palmerston North 4440.

Expressions of Interest: DATV - Channel 25

DATV (Digital Amateur Television) is a by-product of the so called Digital Dividend of the restacking of New Zealand's decommissioned analogue TV network. One of the dividends was the return of the 6 metre band for amateur usage.

In the move to the digital TV, amateurs in New Zealand were left without any spectrum as had previously been available (old Project 39 in the UHF Band of 600 MHz). A guard band was identified just above 500 MHz as a candidate.

A NZART Branch took on the role to progress testing and building of a DATV Repeater in this guard band. After several years this progress has become too slow, or non-existent to the satisfaction of NZART Council, by the branch concerned.

NZART is therefore seeking expressions of interest from other clubs or branches to progress this project to a conclusion. We are seeking a project that can be delivered over an eighteen month period from its start date. A high level project plan must be submitted with measurable milestones spaced no more than six months apart. These six monthly high level milestones must be agreed to, and met or the project, after review may be stopped. NZART is not looking to pressure any group in doing this work but it cannot continue for many years without progress.

If your club or branch is interested in undertaking this project, contact Debby at NZART via email (nzart@nzart.org.nz) expressing your interest. Once all expressions have been received a decision will be made no later than 6 November 2019.

The successful club or branch will then be contacted to provide a more detailed project plan. Once this plan is approved by NZART Council, a commencement date will be agreed to have this project delivered.

Official Broadcast

The Official Broadcast is made on the last Sunday of each month except:

- December when the Broadcast is made on the Sunday before Christmas.
- January when there is no broadcast

The broadcast is made on 3900 kHz, and on the National System and local VHF repeaters.

The broadcast is made at 2000 hours (8:00 pm), with a repeat at 2100 hours (9:00 pm).

Members and Branches are welcome to submit material for inclusion in the Broadcast to the e-mail or postal address shown below.

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73, Jim ZL2BHF

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