



Western Suburbs Radio Club Inc.

August 2020 Newsletter

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 VHF Club Net Wednesday 08:30pm 146.525 MHz,
 HF Club Net Fridays 08:00pm 3.650 MHz
 Website <http://www.amateurradio.co.nz/>

Club Calendar 2020

Wednesday	19 th	August	Informal Meeting - Cancelled Due to Covid-19 Level 3 Lockdown
Saturday	22 nd	August	Committee Meeting - Cancelled Due to Covid-19 Level 3 Lockdown
Saturday	22 nd	August	Club Meeting - Cancelled Due to Covid-19 Level 3 Lockdown
Saturday	29 th	August	Hamilton Market Day. 1024 Gordonton Rd (SH1B). Selling starts at 10am. But listen for updates due to Covid-19.
Wednesday	2 nd	September	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am But listen for updates due to Covid-19.
Sunday	6 th	September	Father's Day
Wednesday	16 th	September	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am But listen for updates due to Covid-19
Wednesday	23 rd	September	September Equinox
Saturday	26 th	September	Taranaki Junk Sale - Mangorei Memorial Hall, corner Kent Road and SH3. But listen for updates due to Covid-19.
Saturday	26 th	September	Committee Meeting 9:00 am. But listen for updates due to Covid-19
Saturday	26 th	September	Club Meeting 10:00 am - Low Power Community Radio - Robert Houison. But listen for updates due to Covid-19
Wednesday	30 th	September	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am But listen for updates due to Covid-19
Wednesday	7 th	October	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am But listen for updates due to Covid-19
Saturday	17 th	October	Committee Meeting 9:00 am – One week early due to Labour Weekend
Saturday	17 th	October	Club Meeting 10:00 am Program to be determined One week early due to Labour Weekend
Saturday	17 th	October	JOTA
Sunday	18 th	October	JOTA
Wednesday	21 st	October	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am
Monday	26 th	October	Labour Day
Saturday	7 th	November	Used Equipment Sale – Rosebank School Hall – Confirmed
Wednesday	4 th	November	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am
Wednesday	18 th	November	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am
Saturday	28 th	November	Committee Meeting 9:00 am
Saturday	28 th	November	Club Meeting 10:00 am Program to be determined
Wednesday	2 nd	December	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am
Wednesday	9 th	December	Christmas Dinner - Date and Venue to be advised
Wednesday	16 th	December	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am
Monday	21 st	December	December Solstice
Wednesday	30 th	December	Informal Meeting at the Clubrooms 9:30am
Thursday	24 th	December	Christmas Eve
Friday	25 th	December	Christmas Day
Saturday	26 th	December	Boxing Day

Meeting Agendas

If you have a topic that you would like to present at a club meeting, could you please contact the President or Vice President prior to meetings so that the item can be programmed for a future date.

August Meeting

The August meeting was to be a Show and Tell; however this has been cancelled due to the Covid-19 Level 3 Lockdown. The show and tell will be held at a later date, possibly the October meeting.

July Meeting

The July meeting on the 25th was a talk on aircraft and some observations on the Mt Erebus DC8 plane crash in Antarctica. Thanks to David Probine ZL1TND for this thought provoking session. We all learnt a lot about aircraft operations and what can go wrong.

Mid-Winter Dinner

We managed to squeeze in the mid-winter dinner on the 22 July 2020 between lockdowns. There were just on 30 club members and partners at the dinner and all had an enjoyable evening. Thanks to Andrew for organising the event.

Informal Wednesday Meetings

Unfortunately the Wednesday morning coffee meetings have again been cancelled. We will let you know when they will be recommencing. Listen to 6625 at 8:15pm Sundays for the latest updates.

Club Nets

At least a Covid-19 Lockdown doesn't stop the Club's two Radio Nets. Do join in if you are able and keep in touch with other club members.

HF Net 3.650 MHz at 8:00pm every Friday.
+/-10 KHz if QRM/QRN is a problem.

The VHF Net is on Wednesdays at 8:30pm on 146.525MHz.

All are welcome to check in on the nets.

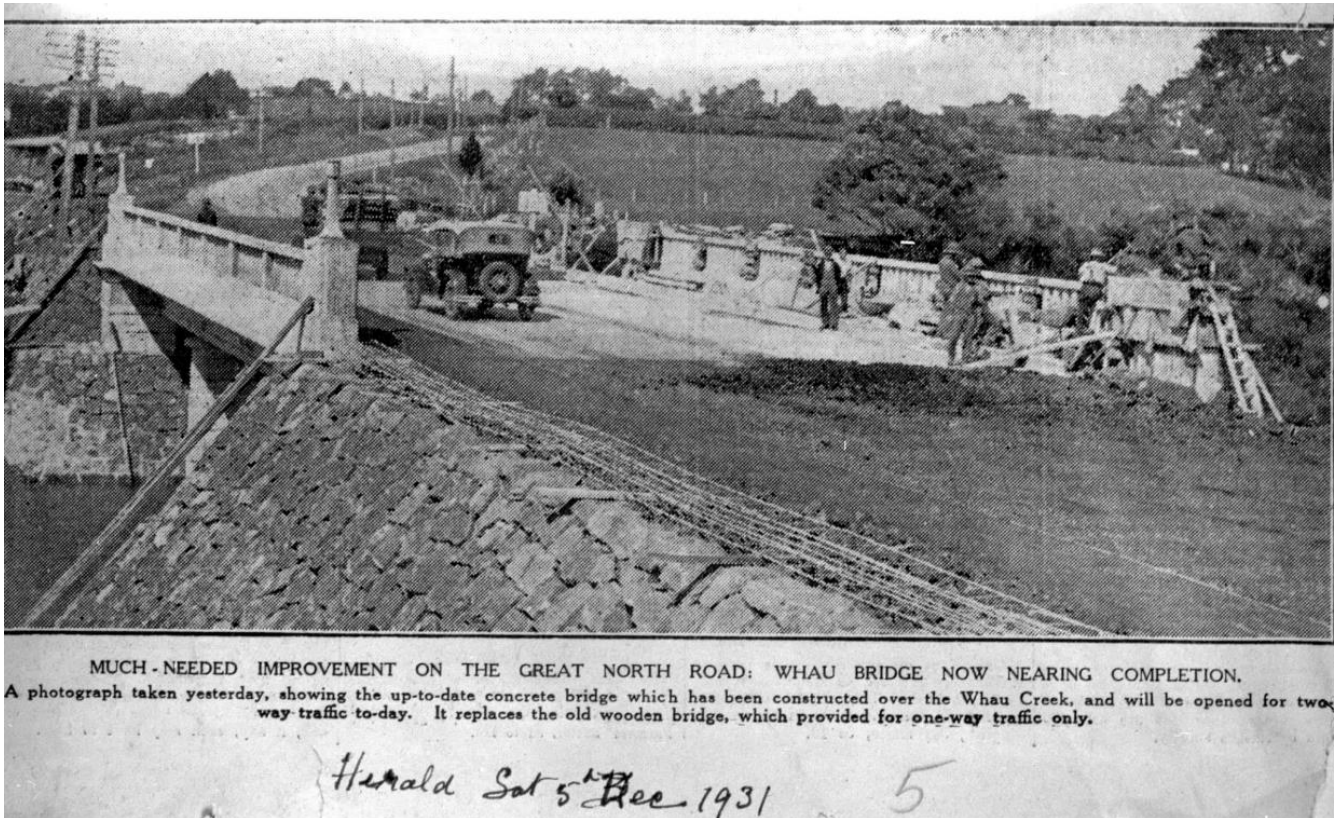
The HF Net roster is opposite.
The full HF Net Roster can be found at:
<http://www.amateurradio.co.nz/>

21-Aug-20	ZL1RCA	Ian
28-Aug-20	ZL1BYI	Ian
4-Sep-20	ZL1BAK	Graeme
11-Sep-20	ZL1NE	John
18-Sep-20	ZL1AF	Andrew
25-Sep-20	ZL1RCA	Ian
2-Oct-20	ZL1BYI	Ian
9-Oct-20	ZL1BAK	Graeme
16-Oct-20	ZL1NE	John
23-Oct-20	ZL1AF	Andrew
30-Oct-20	ZL1RCA	Ian

6-Metre Net

A few of us have been playing around constructing 6-metre antennae. The question is; is there any interest in having a 6-metre net so that there is a weekly time slot where members can try out their latest creations and get signal reports. Please send me an email if you are interested and indicate a preferred time and day. John.neill@xontech.co.nz

A Little Bit of History



This is the bridge that our clubroom hides behind. I guess it has been widened at least once since this photo was taken.

Hamilton Market Day

29th August

At Gordonton Hall
1024 Gordonton Rd (SH 1B)

Selling starts at 10 am
Venue opens 8 am
Free entry for Buyers

Table Space: \$20.00 per space pre-paid
\$25.00 per space on the day

Food and Refreshments Available on site.

Web site: http://www.zl1ux.org.nz/market_day.html

Email: harcmday@nzart.org.nz

Postal: PO Box 606, Waikato Mail Centre, Hamilton 3240

Taranaki Junk Sale

New Plymouth, Branch 27, will be hosting their annual Junk Sale on 26th September 2020. The venue once again is Mangorei Memorial Hall, corner Kent Road and State Highway 3, New Plymouth. Buyers will be admitted to the hall at 10:00am, sellers from 8:00am.

Tables are available for \$20 each. To book yours, contact secretary@zl2ab.com

We plan to provide light refreshments for sale before and during the event. This year, it coincides with the start of the Taranaki Award which runs from 26th to 30th September. Club Station ZL2AB will monitor the local 720 repeater and National System from the event, with every QSO worth 3 points towards the required 25.

The hall is adjacent to Taranaki Aviation Transport and Technology Museum (TATATM). This is well worth a visit and has a good display for the radio enthusiast among many other items. Further details of both the Junk Sale and the Taranaki Award can be found on the zl2ab.com website or by contacting Doug (ZL3DUG) on secretary@zl2ab.com

Editor. Please check closer to the event that these sales are still on due to the Covid-19 Level 2/3 Lockdowns and Travel Restrictions, before embarking on your journey out of Auckland.

JOTA (Jamboree on the Air)

The Scouting JOTA and JOTI will take place over the weekend of the 17/18 October this year. Last year we manned two sites, one at Griffin Park and the other at the Scouting Camp Site Moto Moana in Green Bay. This is just a heads up that we may be called on to assist again this year. I note that it clashes with our scheduled Club Meeting date of the 17th October 2020. More information will be given to club members when we have it.

YOTA

The graphic features a green house with a black antenna on the roof, set against an orange background. A white banner with black text and four upward-pointing arrows is positioned diagonally. A circular logo with 'YOTA Oceania' is in the top right. The text 'ZL6YOTA - Branch 11' and '27-28 Feb 2021' is at the bottom.

Jock
White
Memorial
Field Day

Expression of interest
form above ↑↑↑↑

Spot prizes on the day

YOTA Oceania

ZL6YOTA - Branch 11

27-28 Feb 2021

Radio Nets

Radio Nets that you may like to Join or Listen into.

Day	Time (Local)	Freq (MHz)	Group
Sunday	08:00	3.750	Southern Net
	09:00	3.700	Bch 10. Franklin.
	09:00	3.755	Bch 65. Papakura.
	16:00	7.125	SPAM Net (AM Mode)
	19:00	146.900	YL Net
	20:00	3.710	Bch 42. Titahi Bay
	21:30	3.595	Duran WIA Net.
	21:30	3.595	VK2WI
Monday	19:30	3.757	Bch 12. Hamilton
	20:00	3.540	CW Practice Net
	<i>updated</i> 20:00	3.605	Br 80. Hibiscus Coast
	<i>updated</i> 20:00	Nat System	W.A.R.O
	20:30	3.870	O.T.C (Old Timers Club)
Tuesday	09:00	7.096	Ex Post Office Techs
	21:00	1.850	160m Net _ Ron ZL4JMF
	19:30	3.690	QRP ZL2BH
	20:00	3.581	CW improvers Net
Wednesday	20:00	3.660	Geek Net
	20:00	3.645	Bch 02. Auckland
	20:00	3.745	Bch 84. Bay of Islands
	20:30	146.525	W.R.S.C
Thursday	09:00	7.096	Ex Post Office Techs
	19:30	3.690	QRP ZL2BH
	20:00	3.540	CW Practice Net
	20:00	3.615	Bch 89. REG
	20:30	3.696	ZL1OA
	20:30	3.666	LF Net ZL2CA
	20:00	3.690	ZL QRP SSB Net
Friday	20:00	3.850	SPAM (AM Mode)
	20:30	3.650	W.S.R.C.
	20:30	3.560	Digital Modes Net
Saturday	10:30	28.530	10-10 Down Under
	19:30	3.650	Christian Fellowship
	20:00	3.760	???
	20:30	3.600	Ch 62. Reefton/Buller
Daily or Other	07:30	3.696	ZL2OA
	08:30	3.730	ZL3RP
	15:00	14.300	Pacific Seafarers
	17:30	3.760	Home Brew
	17:30	14.183	ANZA DX Net
	18:00	7.115	VK7OB
	19:30	3.720	ZL1MO
	18:30	3.766	ZL3LE
	08:30/20:00	3.730	ZL3RP
	20:30	3.725	ZL2HN / ZL4RF
21:00	3.677	Counties Net ZL2MA	