

ZL2VH Newsletter – April 2016

President's Report

AGM

A reminder that the club's AGM will be held on Friday 15th April 2016, starting at 8:00 pm.

For officer holders please start preparing your reports. For members of the club please consider that some positions are up for nomination as the incumbents are stepping down I have previously advised that I am stepping down from the role this year, so please consider stepping up for the next twelve months.

I look forward to the AGM. (See agenda later in newsletter)

Climie Working Bee

With the arrival of Autumn, the club needs to finish maintenance work at Climie before winter hits. The one major item outstanding is sealing / painting the South hut. We will be organizing a working bee one day over the coming weekends. If you can please be prepared to donate a few hours for this vital work.

73's

Simon ZL2BRG

President

We are always looking for articles to fill the pages of newsletter. Please forward anything no matter how large or small to the editor - Eric ZL2SET – <u>ericwilby@gmail.com</u>.

Branch 63 Repeater Update – March 2016

Status Updates

Climie Mesh Test

James ZL2ET is preparing a proposal for a permanent installation at Climie

WebSDR

Constructing server PC

3cm Beacon

On Air Recent reception reports from ZL1AVZ and ZL1TPH in Auckland !

1292 23cm

The repeater's beacon controller has developed a hard fault sending continuous annoying tone on the carrier. The beacon has now been switched off so that the repeater can be used normally again.

There is no need to remove the repeater from Climie until a decision is made at the AGM as to the further use or modification of 1292. The repeater went into service 29th December 2010 and has never failed to work as a repeater. With the beacon disabled users can now listen and use again.

860 DStar

On Air.

CCS7 is now enabled on the ZL2VH Gateway

5425 DStar

On Air

730 2m FM Repeater

On Air

53.950 6m FM Repeater

On Air

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF Contest (Apologies for the late notice - Ed.)

Low Band Contest:

All bands 6 m up to and including 70 cm, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of April 2016

This is the 6 metre band, the 2 metre band and the 70 cm band.

With past history this contest has proven to be an even playing field with the lower VHF and UHF bands and recently introduced for 2016 is a "Top Home Station" winner catorgory.

For all contests, the operating periods are 5 pm to 11 pm on the Saturday, and 7 am to 1 pm on the Sunday, NZ local time.

The contest rules are available on the NZART website: <<u>http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-vhf-and-above/</u>>

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to: <<u>VHFcontest@nzart.org.nz</u>> or to <<u>stephen_hayman@xtra.co.nz</u>>

Stephen Hayman - ZL1TPH

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From Malcolm ZL2UDF

Have a read of this http://www.gsl.net/zl1bg/spectra/Spectrum%202016-03-185.pdf

You will see our Simon ZL2BRG mentioned.

Regards Malcolm

Hi Dave, Warren etc,

I also needed to explain the hobby to a "non-believer", I sent her a link to 9V1YC's excellent DXpedition videos, in particular the Heard Island one. She could instantly see what the fascination was. https://vimeo.com/user36455730/videos

Cheers, Paul Ormandy The New Zealand association of Radio Transmitters, Upper Hutt Branch 63, inc

Official Notice of Annual General Meeting 2016

This year's AGM will be held on Friday April 15th starting at 8pm at the branch 63 Clubrooms. Park Street Upper Hutt

NZART Upper Hutt Branch 63 Inc

Meeting Agenda

Date: 15th April 2016

Time:8:00pmVenue:Clubrooms, Park Street, Upper Hutt.

Agenda

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes.
- 3. Matters Arising from Minutes.
- 4. Correspondence Inwards and Outwards.
- 5. Presidents Report.
- 6. Treasurers Report.
- 7. Subscriptions.
- 8. AREC Report.
- 9. Repeater Trustees Report.
- 10. Other Written Reports (QSL Manager)
- 11. Notices of Motion
- 12. Remits of NZART AGM (select delegates)
- 13. General Business
- 14. Elections of Officers

<u>NZART Branch 63 Incorporated</u> Council Depot Park Street Upper Hutt President: Simon ZL2BRG Secretary: Justin: ZL2UGL Treasurer: Gavin: ZL2ACT