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Presidents Report

Hi everyone...

This year the NZART Conference was held in Hastings, with the venue changed at the last minute proved to be a good idea. The mornings were just above freezing temperature wise but soon fined and warmed up. The AGM went well and the remits were put and discussed. Interestingly Remit 1 (about membership), the numbers where about 800 odd in favour and 600 against, but being a constitutional remit it require two-thirds majority so was lost. The other remits were put but lost or were not binding so some interesting discussion was had on these. The Foundation or Entry Level Licence was put again after the Dunedin Conference and was generally accepted that NZART continue down the path to implement this when possible.

Next years conference will be in Auckland, and I was able to put forward a bid to have the 2011 Conference here in Upper Hutt. I will be attending the Auckland event to put and hopefully have accepted the bid for 2011. I have booked the Silverstream Retreat as the venue for 2011, so that major hurdle for a venue is decided. I am open to suggestions as to events, sessions, speakers for this conference, so if you have any ideas please let me know.

NZART Conference has come and gone, as has the Shortest Day (21 June 2009), so now hopefully the weather might begin to improve some, as I am over all this rain as probably most of you are as well.

The organising committee of the Wellington EXPO has met but has deferred any decision on the next sale date until its next meeting in August.

The 23CM Project continues its development with the FMTAG Form 10 being completed and sent in for approval.

Tom ZL2HGR has the Lighthouse Weekend all organised for August so with some good DX it should all be go.

Finally, remember to support the AREC Section by helping out at the Kapi-Mana Motorcycle Events, once or twice a year is all that's needed from everyone.

Well that's the news from me... 73's and good DX....

AREC

Round 2 of the Kapi-Mana Motorcycle Club's Championships were held at the Moonshine Track on Sunday 31st May. Inclement weather along with heavy track conditions made the going tough for both riders and officials with no injuries reported.

Some snow showers were experienced throughout the day and the racing finished just before 4pm. Our operators Peter ZL2HM, Gavin ZL2ACT and Morrie ZL2ADP did the traffic management and flag marshalling and now qualify for admittance to the elite Brass Monkey Division of Branch 63.

Morrie ZL2ADP/ZK8EL



Branch 63 Events Calender for 2009

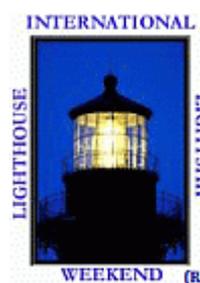
October N.I. Mini M/C Champs held at Kapi-Mana Track, Sunday 4th

Lighthouse Weekend 2009

Tom has made arrangements for Branch 63's participation again this year.
The event is held on 15-16 August 2009.

If you wish to join those already booked please email Tom direct
at: tom.dixon@paradise.net.nz .

Location will be Palliser Bay Lighthouse - same as in previous years.



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