



ZL2VH Newsletter – February 2019

President's Report

First QST of the year, the Friday meetings have restarted although numbers attending are rather low.

Our neighbours, the Rural Fire Brigade, will be moving to new premises in March – April and apparently several groups are interesting in taking over the building. We have not been told of the Council's plans but we do know that the recycling station is to be enlarged and reconfigured. I don't know if this will affect us or not.

Coming up in the near future I would like to get the repeater trustees and helpers up to the repeater site to see how we can shift 730 into the North Hut and shift the 1292 repeater into another rack in the North Hut. The space vacated in the South Hut will allow for further possible projects to be installed there.

We will not be assisting the car club with the Wallaceville Hill Climb this year, as it is on the same weekend as Jock White.

Brian – ZL2CHV continues to host radio and stargazing sessions at the Glider club at Kaitoke, and David ZL2DRM is carrying out testing of a number of HF antennas over at Kaitoke Regional Park – watch the Club's Facebook page for notification of times.

Upcoming Events

Last weekend in Feb – JWFD – Club BBQ.

AGM in April, date TBC (may be in May due to Easter / ANZAC Day).

There is probably more to add but its late and I need my diet sleep.

Mike ZL2NSA
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Branch 63 Repeater Update

Climie Working Bee 9/10 March

A working bee is being organized for March, the goals are:-

1. Install new Earth Rods
2. Install additional equipment rack in North Hutt
- 3 .Move 1292 repeater into new rack
4. Move 730 repeater into vacated rack in North Hutt,
5. Install New Batteries, Including charger

Status Updates

3cm Beacon Just waiting for some s/s mounting hardware. Will be re-installed in the coming weeks.

1292 23cm On Air

DSTAR Currently the ZL2VH Gateway is running on a Raspberry Pi with a Pistar installation. In due course this will be replaced by a Icom G3 instance.

860 On Air

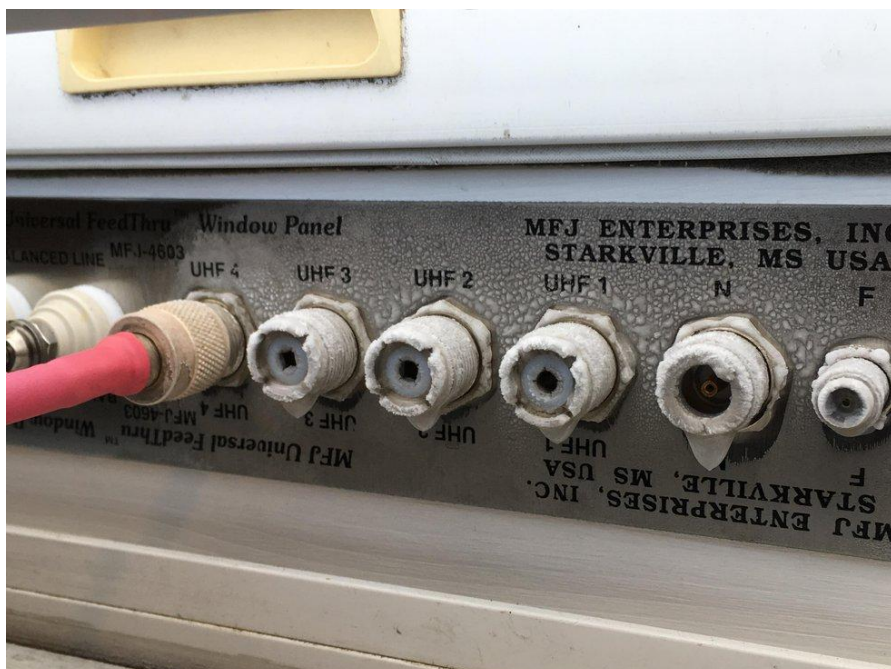
730 Running on Single Dipole

395 6M On Air

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 – ericwilby@gmail.com.

Never Mind The Heatwave....

This was taken last week in the American MidWest



but..... it's not all bad (for some) – also in the MidWest.....



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