



## ZL2VH Newsletter – June 2023

### President's Report

Not really much to report this time, The Club's AGM was held with no surprises, the committee is basically the same, annual subs are the same and we just carry on the same.

The NZART AGM was held in Palmerston North over the long weekend attended by Mark ZL2UFI as outgoing NZART President and John ZL2TWS and Simon ZL2BRG. The minutes of the AGM can be found at <https://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/infoline/2023/HQ-Infoline-Issue-474.pdf>

### Updates from John ZL2TWS:

<https://www.iaru-r1.org/2023/itu-r-working-party-5a-meeting-29-and-the-23cm-band-and-rnss-radio-navigation-satellite-service-coexistence-measures-relating-to-wrc-23-ai-9-1b/>

It looks like 1298 to 1300 MHz is all we will end up with.

"The section "...The IARU contribution to the Guidance recommendation proposed specific limits for EME operation in the range 1296 – 1300 MHz.

The proposal was largely adopted but only in the range 1298 – 1300MHz..." sounds both good and bad.

Maybe good because moving operation closer to the band edge might be something that would be considered as a move to minimize interference and thus be acceptable to the those concerned about these things. Bad in that anyone using a 28-30 or 144-146 IF is going to be out of luck with most existing transverters. Most antennas, feeds and PAs would probably have acceptable (or at least usable) performance at 1298-1300MHz.

Even if the US does not make any changes to 23cm allocations, changes in EU frequency allocations will still affect US operation because to follow the activity we will need to operate on the same frequencies as the EU stations.

73

Bob, KA1GT"

## **Repeater Report June 2023**

### **730,5425,860,1292 and SDR antennas.**

Additional mains noise filtering boxes are being constructed. With winter approaching Climie site visits may be limited by the weather. Still things to do though.

The Club received a donation of Huber and Suhner RF Bulkhead protectors (Thanks to Peter ) which will be installed in the north and south huts to protect and improve the SR250 psu units' rf performance and will be installed in a upcoming site visit.

## **Status Updates**

**Climie KiwiDR**

Currently offline, need a reboot

<b>10m Beacon</b>	On Air
<b>3cm Beacon</b>	On Air. The ZL2VHX beacon was re-installed and is back on air, reception reports have been received from Christchurch.
<b>1292 23cm</b>	On Air
<b>DSTAR 5425,860</b>	On Air
<b>730</b>	On Air
<b>395 6M</b>	On Air.

## **Br63 AGM minutes (DRAFT)**

### **NZART Upper Hutt Branch 63, Inc. - AGM Minutes**

**Date:** 28 April 2023

**Time:** 8:00pm

**Location:** Branch 63 Club Rooms, Rural Fire Station, Park Street, Upper Hutt

#### **Present:**

ZL's 2NSA(Chair), 2UGL, 2ACT, 2TQA, 2CHV, 2TKY, 4NT, 4VV, 2BRG, 4BDG, 3LAB, 2BBR, 2FRG, Simon Auty.

#### **Apologies:**

2TWS, 2SET, 2TNG

## **Minutes of the Last Meeting (AGM):**

Minutes of the last AGM were read and confirmed.  
(Proposed:2FRG/Seconded:4VV adopted.)

**Matters Arising:** None.

## **Correspondence:**

**Inwards:** None

## **President's Report:**

Report presented by ZL2NSA

**4VV/2CHV** – adopted

## **Treasurer's Report**

Report presented by ZL2ACT.

**Treasurer recommended subs stay at \$50.**

**2ACT/4NT** – adopted

**Subscriptions:** As above

## **AREC Report:**

**See Presidents Report**

## **Repeater Report:**

Report presented by ZL2BRG.

**2BRG/2BBR** – adopted

**Notices of Motion:** Nil

**Remits to Conference:**

Members reviewed the NZART website and noted Council comments:-

**Remit 1:** NZART to create a digital only membership, for those wanting a digital only copy of Break-In with discounted membership fee. NZART needs to get with the times with increasing costs, several members don't need or want a paper copy of Break-in these days. There needs to be a cheaper option for those wanting a digital version. A digital version can be searched and indexed with a couple of mouse clicks unlike the paper copy. This also helps to save the planet with reduced paper use.

**Remit 2:** NZART to reduce membership fees for members associated to clubs that are charities or the club does not meet the criteria to be covered under NZART public liability insurance. Recently it's been discovered that several clubs are not covered by the NZART Public liability insurance policy. These branches need to know that they are or are not covered before any event, so that no one assumes they are covered when in fact they are not.

**Members voted unanimously against both remits.**

**Mark 2UFI authorised to vote on Club's behalf**

**Members encouraged to attend the NZART AGM.**

**General Business:**

2TKY gave update on PCC district plan – submissions made- very little further progress

4VV gave update on UH district plan – very little progress in last 12 months

**Club 75th Anniversary event** planned for mid year 2022 was never held, maybe this year?

Nothing further heard on proposed PRS repeater on Mt Climie raised at 2022 AGM.

Upcoming Whanganui Branch table sale cancelled.

**Election of Officers:**

**Brian 2CHV** resigned his positions as moving overseas later this year.

**AREC** positions left unfilled.

**Contest Mgr position** accepted by Ben 4BDG

**Exam Assistant** position to be taken by Justin 2UGL and Steve 4NT pending NZART HQ approval

**put to re-elect all current officers with above amendments(4VV/2BBR), Passed on voices.**

**Post election positions:-**

**President:** Mike Cox ZL2NSA

**Secretary:** Justin Southam ZL2UGL

**Treasurer:** Gavin Smith ZL2ACT

**AREC Leader:**

**AREC Deputy:**

**Repeater Trustee 1:** Simon Eatough ZL2BRG

**Repeater Trustee 2:** Justin Southam ZL2UGL

**Repeater Administrator: Mark Gooding ZL2UFI**

**Contest Manager: Ben Gilbert ZL4BDG**

**Exam Administrator: Gavin Smith ZL2ACT**

**Exam Assistant 1: Eric Wilby ZL2SET**

**Exam Assistant 2: Justin Southam ZL2UGL**

**Exam Assistant 3: Steve Gilberd ZL4NT**

**Maintenance Manager: Eric Wilby/Ben Gilbert ZL2SET/ZL4BDG**

**Webmaster: David Phillips ZL2DBP**

**Editor of QST63: Eric Wilby ZL2SET**

**Editor Assistant: Simon Eatough ZL2BRG**

**Committee: All members**

**Meeting closed at 8:52pm.**

**ZL2VH Br63**

**NZART**

## **2022-2023 AGM PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

I would like to thank the officers of the club and all members who have assisted when asked, spreading the load and making for another successful year.

Our repeater trustees assisted by Fraser ZL4VV and Ben ZL4BDG continue to spend large amounts of time and effort endeavouring to maintain and upgrade our equipment.

Gavin ZL2ACT continues to maintain our accounts to a high standard. Gavin will present his treasurers report shortly, you should have all seen it by now.

Income: We will have to find new fundraising events for the upcoming years as we will need an additional income source to help fund maintenance and any club projects, or events etc.

We did not participate in the Jock White FD this year due to low interest, member availability and forecasted weather. There may be other opportunities to operate in a remote location later in the year.

We are continuing to work on up-grading the equipment at Climie with equipment replacement and on-going maintenance. In the Repeater Trustees report, Simon will present some options and also a plan to ensure that our equipment will remain in a good state.

Membership numbers are healthy at XX and we have had new hams pass the test and gain their licence, with hopefully more to come. The subscriptions barely cover branch 63's expenses, in the past we have relied on a greater number of AREC exercises and one off events like conferences and exhibitions and donations that were gratefully received.

Finally again I wish to thank all the members who have helped with the Club's activities over the past year.

73's and good DX  
Mike ZL2NSA

P.S. Love the SDR 123.255.47.67:8073, its being used by people all around the world, and we are getting good results especially at the higher end of the bands. (U.S. trucker CB around 27 MHz, 10 metres and the Digital modes).



Apologies if this issue seems a bit ragged round the edges and sorry for its lateness – (Ed.)

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](mailto:ericwilby@gmail.com).

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