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NZART Sangster Shield Contest 2019

The 2019 NZART Sangster Shield Contest is to be held Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th May 2000hrs – 2300hrs NZST each evening.

Rules for this year are unchanged since those published in the 2016 April/May Break In and as per the NZART website:- <http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-sangster-shield/>

Quick Summary of main rules:

80 metres CW only for entrants with power output up to 5 watts pep.

Note that the Transistor Trophy entry criteria allows first time Sangster entrants, rather than just newly licensed operators. Previous participants are fine to enter in this section if you have not submitted a previous contest entry.

Reminding that the exchange (Cipher) is RST, Contact serial number beginning at 001 & Branch number. Power output is not to be given on air but will be published in results.

CW beginners have commented that their preferred exchange is – RST / Serial number / Branch number (where / = dah-di-di-dah-dit).

Remember that there are 6 HALF hour operating periods each evening. i.e. 20:00–20:30; 20:30–21:00 etc.

Operating just one night is OK as we would all prefer to have as many on the air as possible.

73's & hope to work you in the contest – Glenn ZL2KZ

Youth Officers Report

At the end of March was the WPX SSB contest, in which we participated as a youth team with the call sign ZM4T. Although conditions weren't the best, it was still very much fun! We managed to make 1089 contacts, scoring 2 653 544 points in just under 36 hours.

Here are Jaidyn's thoughts about his first contest:

"This was my first experience with contesting and, given the bad conditions, it gave me a chance to learn about the equipment and how to log a contact in a contest. At times the contest was quite slow, which again gave me a chance to learn but also when the conditions were better I gained some experience with faster logging. I enjoyed the contest and plan on participating in more competitions that come up."

When we told him that there is practically a contest somewhere every weekend (although perhaps not in SSB) his eyes lit up with excitement. Jaidyn also plans to start learning CW.

At the start of June, Jaidyn and I will represent the rest of our youth group at the NZART Conference in New Plymouth. There we will inform other hams of the youth groups activities so far, as well as our plans for the future. Hopefully we will see some of you there!

Our next planned youth event is the International YOTA camp in Bulgaria, which Jaidyn and I will attend. The camp will be held from the 11th to the 17th August, and the theme of it is 'Train the Trainer'. According to the camp bulletin; "the name "Train the Trainer" stems from the idea that the platform will educate youngsters on the best methods to train new youngsters so they can become licensed amateur radio operators as well and so grow the number of young amateur radio "trainers". Furthermore, Train the Trainer will help in connecting youngsters who

are active in youth work so they can organize events across borders and collaborate on events such as sub-regional YOTA events.”

To fundraise the finances for the trip, we set up a [givealittle](https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/international-amateur-radio-youth-camp-2019/donations) page (the link to which is at the bottom) and have already received 21 donations as of today. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has donated already; thanks to you we have managed to raise nearly half of the costs already! I also want to thank NZART as well as IARU Region 3 who have also promised generous donations. If anyone else is interested in supporting us with this camp, we would love your donations.

<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/international-amateur-radio-youth-camp-2019/donations>

Note: The complete article plus Xenia and Jaidyn’s schedule will be in the next edition of Break-In

RSGB Cricket World Cup Radio Marathon 2019

The Radio Society of Great Britain is organising an International Amateur Radio Marathon on the HF bands to celebrate the International Cricket Council (ICC) Cricket World Cup which is being held in England and Wales between 30 May and 14 July 2019.

1. The marathon will run from 30 May 2019 to 14 July 2019.
2. UK and International callsigns will be activated on 9 HF bands using SSB, CW and Digital modes.
3. The marathon will encourage HF operation from UK and International amateurs, providing an opportunity for all operators to experience high intensity operating.
4. A series of award certificates will be offered to participants based on the number of QSOs they achieve with UK and International activators.
5. We are very grateful to have agreement that we can use the excellent Hamlogs system that allows logs from activating stations to be uploaded to a central database. Participants will be able to track their progress towards the available awards.

From the UK we will be activating 31 special callsigns including eleven for the famous Cricket Grounds that will be used in England and Wales and ten for the teams that are participating, including GB19NZ for New Zealand. The UK callsigns will all have the prefix GB19 with a two or three letter suffix.

We are inviting you to join us in activating one or more special callsigns. If you can obtain callsigns with the suffix “19CWC” that would be ideal, but other distinctive callsigns are also welcome.

We have special stations participating from Australia (VK19AUS) and South Africa (ZS19CWC) among the competing countries.

The rules for the marathon are in the attached pdf file. Full details of the marathon are published at rsgb.org/cricket.

Please contact us:

- If you have any questions relating to the marathon
- If you are planning to activate a special callsign to provide email details so that we can keep you updated with essential information
- When you have confirmation of the callsigns that you will be activating

Many thanks and we look forward to a very enjoyable radio marathon.

73 Nick G4FAL

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GACW (Argentinian Group of Radiotelegraphy - Grupo Argentino de CW)

Has the pleasure to invite you to a new edition of **WWSA Contest** (World Wide South America Contest).

This is a CW contest, held every second weekend of June, during 24 hours.
We count on your participation; it is very important for us.

June 8th, 15UTC to June 9th, 15UTC.

For more information about contest rules visit:

For more information about GACW please visit: <http://www.gacw.org>

Please note this year logs will only be received using this email: gacw.wwsa@gmail.com

NZART Conference June 2019

New Plymouth Amateur Radio club are pleased to announce registrations are now open for 2019 NZART Conference on the conference website:

<https://conference.zl2ab.com/>

NZART Twittering's

Are you a Twitter user? You can now follow what's going on with the NZART website, Event updates and other tweet worth titbits at:

<https://twitter.com/NzartOnline>

Official Broadcast

The Official Broadcast is made on the last Sunday of each month except:

- December when the Broadcast is made on the Sunday before Christmas.
- January when there is no broadcast

The broadcast is made on 3900 kHz, and on the National System and local VHF repeaters.

The broadcast is made at 2000 hours (8:00 pm), with a repeat at 2100 hours (9:00 pm).

Members and Branches are welcome to submit material for inclusion in the Broadcast to the e-mail or postal address shown below.

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