



There is only one NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION of RADIO TRANSMITTERS. It serves you at local, national and international levels. It deserves our full support if we are to continue to have the frequencies and operating privileges we currently have.

The association is what you and I make it!

[NZART Infoline # 506](#)

14th December 2025

From HQ...

It's that time of year that I ask everyone to enjoy Christmas and the holiday season, wherever you are and whoever you are with.

- Subs are due by the 31st December
- If sending in a remit, this too must reach HQ by the 31st December
- Although HQ is closed from 23 December until 12 January, I will monitor emails so I can confirm receipt of any remits received.

May your God bless and keep you safe over this holiday season.

Talk to you all in 2026

Debby ZL2DL - NZART Business Manager



Centenary Activities Updates:

The NZART Centenary website can now be accessed from the NZART homepage website: <https://nzart.org.nz/centenary/>

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OF RADIO TRANSMITTERS Inc



Only 18 more sleeps before the new year begins and the first celebratory events planned for our association's centenary.

NZART Centenary Portable Activity Day

Take your radio equipment to a branch-organised or family New Year's day picnic or barbeque to expose the public to our exciting hobby. Many parks, summits, lakes, islands and lighthouses will be activated by the OTA enthusiasts during the day to ensure you can make plenty of radio contacts.

NZART Centenary 100 QSO Challenge

Can you make 100 separate contacts within a 24 period? This is a brand new fun pursuit organised by contest enthusiasts to test you and your equipment. The rules are posted on the NZART website at <<https://nzart.org.nz/centenary/>>.

ZL100C - special event call sign

If you are an NZART Member and would like to use this special event callsign ZL100C, contact David

Karrasch, zl1dk@nzart.org.nz ,

David will need notification at least 24 hours prior to use, so details can be recorded in the register. You will receive a reply within 24 hours of confirmation, subject to other operator's commitments. CW operators desperately required.

You will need to **advise the date, times on and off, band and modes required**. You will also need to supply daily, a computer generated, adif file of your log so the details can be added to QRZ.com on a regular basis.

Any queries contact David zl1dk@nzart.org.nz or phone him... 021560180.

David zl1dk

Expression of Interest to display at the 100 year conference

Martyn ZL3CK is calling for “**expressions of interest**” in mounting a display for the Conference.

Please contact Martyn martyn.seay@gmail.com ph 0274803171, leave a message.

Space will be limited! so first in- best displayed!

Visit to Musick Point

Members of the Musick Point Radio Group (Inc) are looking forward to hosting visits to the Musick Memorial radio station on Monday 1 June.

Please indicate if you are interested in attending their Branch Clubrooms

Martyn ZL3CK

Check out the Contests & Events Calendar on the NZART [web page here](#)

POTA Events 2026:

Parks on the Air (POTA) will have the five official events listed below in 2026. Each event

starts at 00:00:00 UTC and ends 23:59:59 UTC on the days listed.

The main goals of these events is to get activators out in the parks and for activators and chasers to have as much fun as possible.

New Year's Week

First full week of the new year. January 1-7, 2026

Support your Parks

Winter - 3rd Full Weekend of January. January 17-18, 2026

Spring - 3rd Full Weekend of April. April 18-19, 2026

Summer - 3rd Full Weekend of July. July 18-19, 2026

Autumn - 3rd Full Weekend of October. October 17-18, 2026

There are participation certificates for Support your Parks events.

73 Philip ZL1PSH

Around the branches:

Nothing to do this Christmas & New Year?

If you think there is nothing to do during the Christmas Break - think again, thanks to Canterbury Branch here is another Canterbury activities list. Plenty of activity over the Christmas break

The Christchurch & Canterbury Amateur Radio Club activities are below, any incorrect listings, additions, omissions, comments or suggestions send them

to Blair secretary@chchhamradio.org.nz otherwise they will keep cropping up. I can only go on the info I have (and sometimes I get that wrong).

Ashburton B01 - 890 Mt Alford repeater is FM only & Allstar linked, 67.0Hz CTCSS for access.

Current Christchurch Repeaters are 5625 on Cass Peak, 88.5Hz CTCSS, IRLP Node #6900 and Mt Grey 675, 123Hz CTCSS

I have had several requests to list more contests beyond those from VK & ZL. I have included links at the end of the Activities list instead of listing them all in the daily listings. I hope this helps anyone who has asked.

North Canterbury Mt Admiral is on air 147.375 MHz +Split and is workable from Christchurch with a good antenna. UHF 439.300 MHz MMDVM DMR/Fusion is now online and working via the Canterbury 5303 DMR Network <www.digitalradio.co.nz>

CARDS are looking for VHF Band Pass, Notch or T Network filters/cavities for the Kaikoura 690 project. If you have any VHF repeater equipment that you would like to see put to good use, please email me.

North Canterbury B68 advise that Mt Noble 146.9750 is back on-air.

Sunday 14th December

1100 - WIA News Broadcast, followed by the REF091C Net on 144.550 DV
(REF091C for those with a Hotspot)

1200 - CARDS December Christmas BBQ Meeting <email for

details if you are curious>

1400 - Christchurch GROTA Activity Day <Listen out on 7158KHz AM for signals or even better get out in a field>

1600 - OTC Net 3865 AM

1900 - Timaru B34 VHF Net 146.625

1930 - Otago Area VHF Net on the 690 repeater, access via Allstar node 61891

2000 - Canterbury Area VHF Net on Cass 145.625 - 146.800 MHz
Link Timaru, Ashburton, Christchurch & North Canterbury

Upcoming;

Mon 15th - Robotics December Meeting

<https://www.idesignz.org/robotics/chch_robotics.htm>

Tue 16th - Christchurch B05 December Auction

Thu 25th - Christmas Day

Fri 26th - Boxing Day BBQ @ B05 Clubrooms

Sun 28th - Christchurch December Foxhunt, NZART National Broadcast

Mon 29th - Christchurch Homebrew Kits-n-things Meeting

DXNews & Contest Calendar <<https://dxnews.com/calendar/>>

ARRL contests for the current and next five years

<<https://contests.arrl.org/calendar.php>>

<<https://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar>>

NZART Contests Calendar

<<https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/nzart-contest-calendar>>

ARRL Contests Calendar

<<https://www.arrl.org/files/file/Contest%20Calendar/ARRL%20C>

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WIA Contests Calendar

<<https://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/about/>>

Blair ZL3TOY

Secretary

Christchurch Amateur Radio Club

Branch Newsletters:

[Napier & Hastings Branch November Newsletter](#)

[Taranaki Branch November Newsletter](#)

[Northshore Branch December Newsletter](#)

[Marlborough Branch December Newsletter](#)

[Wellington Branch December Newsletter](#)

The next HQ InfoLine is due on **15th February 2026**

If you would like to share any events or report on any upcoming activities, please send these through to me at info@nzart.org.nz

The Next Official Broadcast will be made on **21st December 2025**

Ngā mihi nui (Kind regards)

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