



# Western Suburbs Radio Club Inc.

## May 2007 Newsletter

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VHF Club Net Wednesday 07:30pm 146.525 MHz, HF Club Net Fridays 07:30pm 3.623 MHz

Website <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac>



### Club Calendar

Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup>	May	The Radio & Electronics Group Equipment Sale Details below
Monday	14 <sup>th</sup>	May	WSRC Monthly Club Night – Remit and Antenna Cable Construction for ATV
Tuesday	29 <sup>th</sup>	May	Auckland Region Coordinating Committee Meeting 7:30 pm. Venue to be announced.
Friday to Monday	1 <sup>st</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup>	June	NZART Conference – Palmerston North
Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	August	Hamilton Market Day - Claudlands Event Centre 10:00 am

### May Club Meeting

The next Club Night will be on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30 pm. The topic is voting on the one remit that will be discussed at conference in June and further work on the ATV studio. We will continue with the installation of ATV cables to connect sound and cameras and the installation of the studio. There are also other items of work that still requires finishing. So come along and be prepared to work.

### April Meeting

The April meeting occurred on Easter Monday and attendance was down a bit. The working bee inside of the clubrooms took place and some progress was made towards the Amateur TV Studio and the general tidy up of the clubrooms. .

### Waitakere Sprint

Waitakere Sprint is on again this year with the Phone sprint being the last Saturday in July and CW sprint being the first Saturday in August 2007. Both on 80 metres. The full rules can be found on the club's website at [www.qsl.net/zl1ac/wsarc-sprint.html](http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac/wsarc-sprint.html) . The sprints are for one hour duration from 10pm to 11pm local time. It is open to all Amateurs in New Zealand, Australia and the South Pacific

### I-com 728 HF Transceiver

Has anybody seen or know of the whereabouts of the I-com 728 HF Transceiver. It is not in the Equipment Cupboard where it should be. Please contact Ross ZL1VRR if you know where it is.

### Club Fees

These are now due and should be paid to the treasurer at the next club night or posted to the Club at PO Box 15-122, New Lynn. 0600. Club fees are \$25-00 single and \$30-00 family.

### ZL1BQ Website

The VHF Group, Branch 66, have developed a website for the benefit of its club members. The website is [www.qsl.net/zl1bq/](http://www.qsl.net/zl1bq/). You may also like to visit the site.

## **NZART Conference 2007 - Palmerston North**

The 2007 NZART Conference & AGM will be held at the Palmerston North Convention Centre from the 1st to the 4th of June 2007. The Convention Centre is located at 400 Main Street Palmerston North and is only a stones throw away from the central business district and accommodation amenities. Registration forms are available from the NZART Website.

Some of the program content for those choosing to go on the alternative program includes the following: A shopping trip to the Ezibuy Warehouse, viewing of the Windmill Farms, a guided tour of a herb farm, Horse drawn tram rides, a guided tour of a working Dutch Windmill where you can purchase various flours for baking bread which is milled on site and a tour and movie screening at an Audio & Visual Museum.

The Conference Committee is looking forward to seeing many of you at Conference 2007 and hope that you will have an enjoyable stay whilst you are here and that you will take the opportunity to stay on after the conference to take in the many scenic attractions that Palmerston North has to offer.

73 de Allan Chandler ZL2SKY & Ian Thompson ZL2IAN - 2007 Radio Waves Symposium Co-convenors.

## **Power Supply**

The club is still looking for a Switch Mode Power Supply to drive the club's ATV transmitter. We originally thought that a 40 amp supply was needed but something in the 10Amp range should be enough. If anybody has one and has no use for it anymore, then the club would be interested in purchasing it. Please phone John ZL1JT 827-3538 or Andrew ZL2ALW at 816-8008 ASAP if you can help.



## **Jumbo Trophy**

The Jumbo Trophy Bowls evening was held on the 18th April 2007 at Albany Indoor Bowling Club. Western suburbs was successful in winning the trophy from North Shore. Congratulations to the team.



The successful Branch 03 Team of Brian ZL1MW, Bob ZL1GD and Peg, receiving the Jumbo Trophy from Alan Wooller, ZL1AUW

TEAMS				A.I.B.C.		MATS		RESULTS			
GWEN	KARE	SHANE		1231	L <sub>3</sub>	W <sub>14</sub>	W <sub>7</sub>				
		BRUNTH	COULDE	2312	L <sub>5</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	L <sub>5</sub>	B			
MARIE	MARG	ROSE	MAX	3121	W <sub>10</sub>	W <sub>6</sub>	W <sub>6</sub>				
		WEST	BOGG	1323	W <sub>8</sub>	W <sub>7</sub>	L <sub>4</sub>				
MARIE	TONY R	MARY	SHARON	2132	W <sub>7</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	L <sub>4</sub>				
		ALICE		3213	L <sub>4</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	W <sub>9</sub>				

The final scoreboard.  
Photos by Nigel Mee ZL1NM

#### THE JUMBO TROPHY

In Memory of Arthur "Jumbo" Godfrey  
16 June 1913 -- 27 August 2005

This prized trophy is contested for twice each year by Auckland Amateur Radio Transmitter Clubs in an indoor bowling competition held at the Albany Community Hall.

The engraved plaque records:

25-10-89	Papakura	31 10 90	Hibiscus coast
2-05-90	Papakura	30-10-91	V.H.F. Group
1-05-91	North shore	28-10-92	Papakura
29-04-92	Papakura	27-10-93	Papakura
28-05-93	Papakura	26-10-94	Papakura
20-04-94	Papakura	25-10-95	Western Suburbs
18-04-95	North Shore	23-10-96	North Shore
17-04-96	Western Suburbs	22-10-97	North Shore
16-04-97	Papakura	21-10-98	Papakura
15-04-98	North Shore	20-10-99	North Shore
28-04-99	Papakura	18-10-2000	North Shore
19-04-2000	Papakura	17-10-2001	North Shore
18-04-2001	Hibiscus Coast	19-10-2002	Western Suburbs
17-04-2002	Western Suburbs	15-10-2003	Papakura
16-04-2003	Western Suburbs	13-10-2004	Papakura
21-04-2004	Western Suburbs	12-10-2005	North Shore
20-04-2005	North Shore	11-10-2006	North Shore
17-04-2006	Western Suburbs		
18-04-2007	Western Subs		

#### Radio Sale Hamilton 12th May

The Radio & Electronics Group will be holding their 1st Equipment Sale on Saturday 12th May 2007 at the Glenview Community Activity Centre, Tomin Road and Glenview Terrace, Hamilton. Doors open 10am, Vendors 8.30am. \$2 Lucky Ticket Entry. Trade Display. Refreshments. Door Prize. Talk-in is on the 695 (146.950 MHz) repeater

For Vendor registration:

Contact John ZL1PO (07)8555912 (evenings) zl1po@nzart.org.nz  
or Trevor ZLAGJ (07)8437365 trev99@clear.net.nz

### Hamilton Market Day - 11 August 2007

The Members and Committee of Hamilton Branch invite you to attend the annual Hamilton Market Day to be held on Saturday 11 August 2007.

Location: Claudelands Event Centre  
Vendors: Doors open at 8.00 am (vehicle access provided)  
Buyers: Doors open at 10.00 am (no door charge)

### Whangarei National Rally Round 3

Saturday the 1st of July 2006 saw the running of the 3rd round of the National Rally Championship held round the service park at Paparoa. in the sunny North. The rally started Friday night with the cars going over the start ramp ready for the first stages on Saturday morning. Betti and I left home early Saturday morning and made our way to our stage at SS6 at Waipu Caves. The day was fine first thing with a little fog about. We did not need to be on site till 11:30am, so had plenty of time to set up our dipole and check the radio with Base. We were able to check in as we travelled north on the local repeater 146.560 to inform base of our progress. Our position was at "A" with Merv ZL1SK at "B" just up the road. Other safety 5 km radios were at "C" and "D". Once set up we waited for the first cars to appear. We had the safety cars through which we logged in and out of the stage. We were able to listen to the progress of the cars though the previous stages to ours. The Stage was quite narrow at the start as it climbed up then down to a stream and bridge before our position, which was located on a no exit road just opposite some caves. The reason for the name of the road, Cave road.

On the stroke of 13:04 the first car was on its way. We could hear it coming for some time before it flashed flat out past the end on our road. The car was driven by Richard Mason in car 1. The first cars came at 2-minute intervals until the group 2 NZ cars, which were at 1-minute intervals. Each car was logged through the checkpoints then a radio message was sent which was acknowledged from base. We were polled through with car numbers that had passed our point. Most cars made it through, except for one that ran off the road not far from Merv's, ZL1SK, position. The last stage was a rerun of the first stage again before the cars headed back for service and the rally sprint to be run on Sunday.

This year's rally 2007 is to be run over two days with 8 stages each day, four stages run twice over. A Supper Special Stage is to be run in the main centre of town.

Ross ZL1VRR

### Club Nets

VHF Net 146.525 MHz 7:30pm every Wednesday, HF Net 3623 KHz +/- QRM/QRN 7:30pm every Friday. All are welcome to check in on the nets. The full HF Net Roster can be found on <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac/wsrc-hf-roster.html>.

11-May-07	ZL1VRR	Ross
18-May-07	ZL1MW	Brian
25-May-07	ZL1JL	John
1-Jun-07	ZL1NE	John
8-Jun-07	ZL1ACZ	Barry
15-Jun-07	ZL1WI	Roy
22-Jun-07	ZL1VRR	Ross
29-Jun-07	ZL1MW	Brian