



Franklin Amateur Radio Club Inc NZART Branch 10

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**MEETINGS:** The club meets on the third Tuesday each month, in the clubrooms, Stadium Drive Pukekohe at 7.30 pm. Visitors welcome.

The committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month (excepting January) at 7.30 pm in the clubrooms. Subscriptions \$20.00, family \$30.00.

Nets every Sunday at 9.00 am on 3.700 MHz and 9.30 am on the 146.900 MHz repeater. 2 metre frequencies are 145.775 MHz, then 146.625 MHz, and 146.900 simplex if repeaters off air.

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 A copy is sent to members and clubs in the Auckland area. Sent free of obligation by e-mail to anyone interested.

## Franklin Junk Sale

The sale will be held in the clubhouse, 19 Stadium Drive, Pukekohe on **Tuesday 16 July** starting promptly at 7.30 pm.

The Franklin Sale is a conducted sale with the club acting as an intermediary between seller and buyer. It would be appreciated if all transactions are completed on the night.

Vendors may arrange to bring their goods to the clubhouse ahead of the sale, or simply bring along on the night. Please mark offerings with your callsign and let the conductor know your reserve.

A complimentary supper will round out the evening.

## Club Notice Board

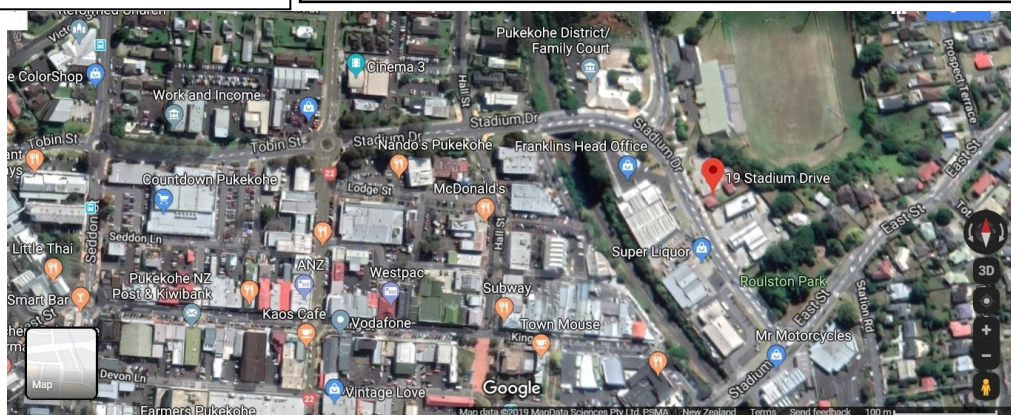
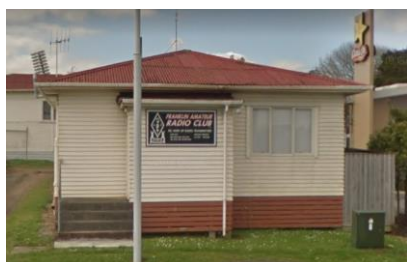
### Franklin Junk Sale, Tuesday 16 July

Our annual sale takes the place of July's monthly club meeting. As usual it is a conducted sale, which makes for an entertaining evening.

Vendors are asked to prepare their lots in saleable parcels. The sales conductor will stick to any instructions that you give him on reserve price.

Buyers are asked to settle on the night, either with cash or a cheque to cover all their purchases.

At the end of the evening there will be a complimentary supper.

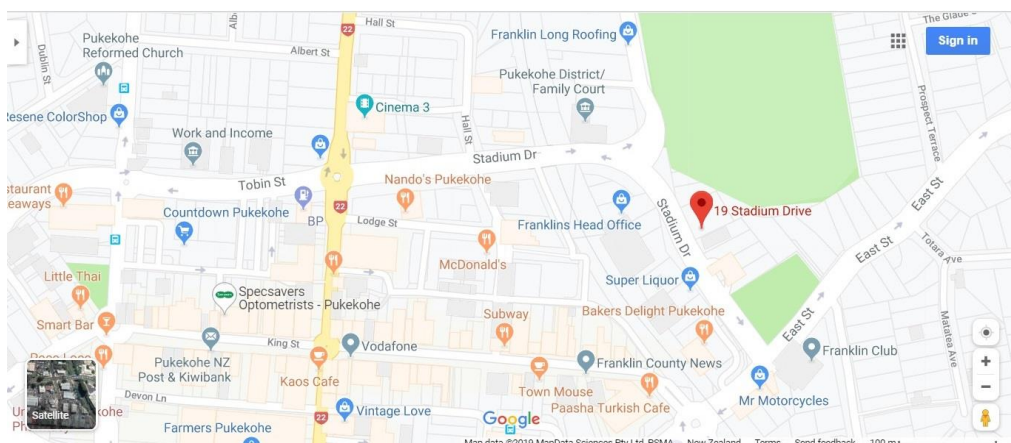


### How to find the junk sale

We are at 19 Stadium Drive, near the Z petrol station and between Carls Junior and the Pukekohe Skate Park. Limited parking is behind the clubhouse, and freely available at Franklin Plumbing, opposite.

The approach from Drury is southward along Highway 22.

The road from the Bombay motorway junction enters Pukekohe along East Street.





**Minutes of Franklin Amateur Radio Club (Inc) General Meeting** held in the Clubrooms Stadium Drive Pukekohe on 18 June 2019.

Chairman Mike ZL1UOM opened the meeting at 1930 hours.

Attendance: ZL1UOM, ZL1TO, ZL1PZ, ZL1WGL, ZL1PJH, ZL1ULK, ZL1BQA, ZL1TZP, ZL1LL, ZL1ERI

Apologies: ZL1BBZ, ZL1GAZ, David McNeill, ZL2UJK

Minutes: May approved as true record. ZL1WGL / ZL1BQA

Correspondence:

Newsletters from branches as in QUA.

Email from NZART Northern Councilor Howard Buxton to say he hopes to come for a visit on the night of the junk sale. The editor was asked to advertise that we are next to the Z petrol station.

Extension of submission deadline for Waikato Plan.

David McNeill has further cables, connectors and cable trays for the sale.

Eric ZL1ERI on various topics – diet, health etc

Hamilton Market Day – flier re sale in Gordonton Hall.

Report on correspondence received ZL1TO / ZL1UOM

Finance:

Payments: Contact Energy \$46.31

The finance report was received. ZL1UOM / ZL1WGL

## Reports

AREC: South Auckland Car Club Rally Sunday 26 May as in QUA with additional comment. Peter ZL1PJH reported how the time keeping gear went down and timing was subsequently done by stop watches. The last petrol voucher for recent car rallies was delivered.

Training for Civil Defence – attended by Peter ZL1PJH who has a report on the web page. Peter added that Andy Brill had been contact for AREC with 20 CD personnel and 10 radio guys, mostly from Branch 29. The scenario was Tropical Cyclone Catherine. Mobile towers down, hospitals full and tide surges. Shelters set up in Warkworth and Sunnynook. Phone system not working. Participants split into 5 groups planning, welfare etc. A CD emergency was declared. Army navy then became involved. Peter was pleased with the experience of how things work. ZL1ULK reminded us of a CD exercise in Pukekohe 15 years ago. Several hundred participants were bused to Pukekohe. Army provided meals.

Conference 2019: Tom ZL1TO gave a report which was circulated. Remits went the way our meeting wanted and were decided on voices. Subscription paid by credit card can not be varied by the recipient – a legal requirement. There is an excellent report on the conference in “Spectrum” the newsletter of Auckland VHF Group.

Web site: The stories of two members are on the site. Just click on the links in June QUA.

Reports as presented received. ZL1UOM / ZL1PJH

The meeting closed at 2035 hours.



**Minutes of Franklin Amateur Radio Club (Inc) Committee Meeting** held in the Clubrooms Stadium Drive Pukekohe on 2 July 2019

Chairman Mike ZL1UOM opened the meeting at 1933 hours.

Attendance: ZL1UOM, ZL1TO, ZL1WGL, ZL1PJH, ZL1ULK, ZL1BQA

Seconded to committee: Peter ZL1PJH ZL1WGL / ZL1TO

Minutes: The minutes of the June meeting were approved as a true record. ZL1UOM / ZL1BQA

Correspondence:

Newsletters from branches 29, 65, 80, 86

Douglas Birt ZL1BFS – LGLO report for July to NZART Council

Report on correspondence received ZL1BQA / ZL1TO

Finance:

Payments: Contact Energy \$46.31 (June discount allowed)

Contact Energy \$57.82 (on 1st July due 4th July)

Watercare \$7.70 due 11 July

Bills to be paid ZL1TO / ZL1BQA

The finance report was received. ZL1UOM / ZL1BQA

## Reports

AREC: Opportunities for training at North Shore. First Aid – no takers for the two day course. SIMS course - ZL1TO will let his name go forward.

Web site: The site is looking good, said Gary ZL1WGL. Peter ZL1PJH is looking for stories. How about one from Bob ZL1BBZ? Ian ZL1PZ had his 99<sup>th</sup> birthday today.

Reminder of Franklin Positive Ageing Expo. 18 October. Helpers will include ZL1PJH, ZL1ULK, ZL1TO, ZL1LL.

The Secretary now has obtained a searchable callsign database. It will take some time to research and update the status of amateurs in our area. Ted ZL1BQA commented that the source is a year old already.

The Pukekohe Performing Arts has suffered further damage to the casement window. Judging by the amount of cigarette butts, the building is being used as a smoking den. Peter has provided photographs of the damage, and chooses not to park in the rear yard as a consequence!

Job list for junk sale

QUA Editor was asked to mention that a map showing our location is on the web site. Parking is also available at Franklin plumbing.

Topics at next club nights: July - Junk sale; August - Network cards by ZL1PJH. Internet modules on computers are mostly Ethernet.

The meeting closed at 2015 hours.



29. Session on how to build and test antennas 20 July. Three exam passes David ZL1QV, John ZL1JHW, Peter ZL1SPG. Paul ZL1AJY to speak on HF antennas and feedlines 1 July. Certificate of appreciation to Julian ZL1ABX. NZART conference report by Alan ZL1AUW. Report on community resilience exercise by Andy ZL1COP. The Hum - a rogue transmission - a presentation by Dennis ZL1TAY. Saturday workshop tested lead-acid batteries. Advertisement for Whangarei sale 27 July.

65. Cover photo - solar eclipse in Chile. Talk at 3 July meeting - Richard ZL1BNQ with stories of Hawaii trip. Two new members ZL1AFG, ZL1FBT. Franklin sale 16 July. Whangarei sale 27 July. Hamilton Market Day 31 August. End of the National System Award by David ZL1DK. France to propose 144-146 MHz available to aeronautical on Primary basis. Advice sought on maintaining an FRG7700 receiver.

80. Ten pin bowling 10 July. Talk on 14 July by Brenton on trip to Africa. Franklin sale 16 July. Whangarei sale also advertised. Council agreed to larger lease area and new dish likely to go ahead. 160 m horizontal loop to be erected at club. Proposed new home for Kiwisat.

86. Cover photo – the station building at night. Valves continue to be catalogued. Essay from Tom Clarkson on early days of ZLD. Water tanks low – use water sparingly. France proposal for 2 m band. New Zealand net at radio1nz.com/nznet welcomes CW on 3535 KHz 9pm local time Monday to Friday. Advertisements for Whangarei and Hamilton sales.

## Room for vendors and buyers

We make no pretence of ours being the biggest sale. However we are probably the coziest! The picture shows the clubroom once incoming offerings had been sorted out to the side, and space made for those attending.

The picture shows progress made at the end of the July committee meeting.



## Jobs at Junk Sale

The job list for FARC members at the junk sale; determined at the June general meeting is:

Sales Conductor	Ted ZL1BQA
Assistant	Gary ZL1WGL
Cashier	Durlene ZL1ULK
Float	Mike ZL1UOM
Sellers book	Tom ZL1TO
Buyers book	Ian ZL1PZ
Raffle sales	Peter ZL1PJH
Raffle prizes	Gary ZL1WGL – produce plus what members can bring (in 3 small bags ... for one to go in each prize box).
Supper	Lynnette ZL1LL and a plate each
Runners	Mike ZL1UOM, Peter ZL1PJH

## Positive Ageing Expo

This is a reminder that the Franklin Positive Ageing Expo will be held on 18 October. Club volunteers to date are ZL1PJH, ZL1ULK, ZL1TO, ZL1LL. Venue is the Indian Hall on Ward Street, Pukekohe.

## The march of vandalism

At the June meeting it was reported that the door to Pukekohe Performing Arts has again been covered with strong plywood in an attempt to stop further break ins. However access has been gained again recently by breaking a casement window and leaving a set of theatre stairs beneath that window.

The broken windows had been covered with heavy plywood by 9 July. However within days the vandals have loosened the first of the tech screws on the new timber, and it seems likely they will have broken in again by the end of the school holidays.

The County News has reported a small fire at the Rugby Club. It remains to be seen if this is related to activity closer to our building.

We have had communication from Auckland Council to say that the Local Board has approved funding for security measures which were discussed with them in March. The chain across the drive is to be replaced with a lockable bollard, and the ground at the back of the clubhouse contoured to reinstate it to its condition before work on the skate park started. Although we had suggested a security camera looking across the skate park there had been no agreement on that.