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Committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month (excepting January) at 7.30 pm in the clubrooms.

Subscriptions: Individual $30, Family $40, due December
See club secretary for bank account number

Nets: HF Sunday 9 am, 3.700 MHz (Mike ZL1UOM); VHF Sunday 9.30 am, 146.900 MHz (Steve ZL1TZP); DMR on TalkGroup 5301, Wednesday 7.30 pm (Steve ZL1TZP)

Meetings: Club meetings are on the third Tuesday each month in the clubrooms, 19 Stadium Drive, Pukekohe, at 7.30 pm. Visitors welcome.

NEXT MEETING

The next general meeting is Tuesday 15 September. After normal business there will be time for a pot luck show and tell. It looks as though the evening will be concentrating on a talk by Tom ZL1TO – and the subject is maps and map projections.

MOTAT LIVE DAY

MOTAT has a live day on communications technology on Sunday 20 September. Franklin has a Morse code activity planned. Leadership is with Peter ZL1PX and Mark ZL1ROK. We will also have Steve ZL1SPR, Tom ZL1TO, Lynnette ZL1LL and Debbie ZL1DEB in the team. We plan to arrive at 9:30 am. It is intended that the Comms Open Air Room and the Dome will be our station sites. Visitors will be invited to practice sending their name in Morse, with read back coming from a radio operator.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

While the meeting is still some way off, in mid November, it is a good time to be thinking of new blood for the various responsibilities in the club. It will be helpful if we have indications by the end of October from those who can take on some of the jobs.

LEASE

It has been quite a mission to get all the particulars wanted by our landlord, and it is hoped that we are moving close to getting the paperwork signed off. While the clubhouse, which was built by an earlier generation of amateurs, is owned by the club, the reserve on which it sits is Auckland Council's.

FRANKLIN POSITIVE AGEING

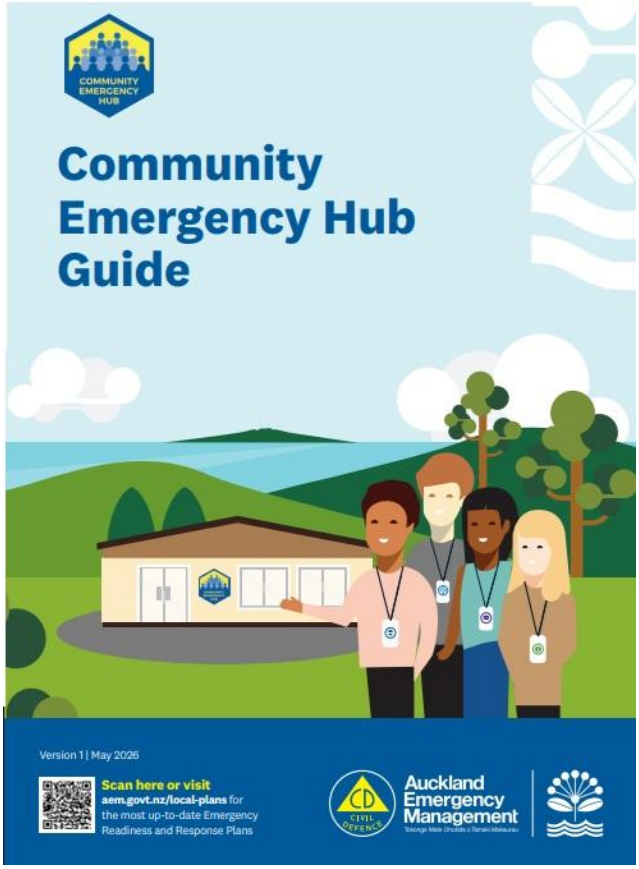
The club has a table at this popular exposition on Friday 9 October. The venue is the Indian Hall on Ward Street in Pukekohe. Members are encouraged to call in and see us, or better, to contribute by being on hand to promote Amateur Radio to the visitors. In any case, many of our friends in the district are in the older age group and have something in common with our experienced hams!

AREC

The regional meeting on Thursday 20 August was a combination of in-person and electronic by ***Teams***. Franklin, along with the other Auckland area groups were presented with a framed certificate acknowledging our contribution to NZSAR. A full story is available at https://sway.cloud.microsoft/MNqDNSIWCN5cxNfl?ref=email



Above: Representatives of Papakura, VHF Group, Franklin and North Shore receive their certificates



Auckland Emergency Management has published Version 1 of a Community Emergency Hub Guide. This document can assist those hams who wish to assist their local community hub, and to be prepared to make radio communication function properly. Franklin AREC Group has a hard copy of the guide, and it is also available at …

https://www.aucklandemergencymanagement.govt.nz/resource-library/community-emergency-hub-guide

WESTERN SUBURBS USED EQUIPMENT SALE

The next significant radio club sale is coming up on Saturday 14 November.

The venue is Rosebank Primary School at 217 Rosebank Rooad in Avondale.

For those who are looking for new gear, then ICOM agents RWB Ltd will be present.



PAPAKURA OPEN DAY

Papakura Radio Club is holding an open day on 17 October from 10:00am. It is intended that there will be HF on SSB, CW and FT8; VHF and UHF on simplex and through repeaters; UHF Winlink. There will also be J pole construction from 300 ohm TV ribbon and a repair job on a power supply.

There will be static displays of SSTV (slow scan television), examples of earlier radio used by amateur radio operators, some modified for amateur use, and some commercially available.