



RODNEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NZART BRANCH 71

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Monthly Branch Meeting Agenda, Minutes and Newsletter

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AGENDA

- INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES, ROLL CALL
- CONFIRMATION/ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
- CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT
- FINANCIAL REPORT
- NEW MEMBERS
- AREC REPORT
- REPEATER TRUSTEES REPORT
- GENERAL BUSINESS
- CLOSE OF FORMAL SECTION OF MEETING

- EDUCATION/ENTERTAINMENT SEGMENT

Meeting Roll Call

Name	Callsign	Status	Name	Callsign	Status
Alan Dale	ZL1ABL	P	Paul Sole	ZL1VPS	
Andrew Cranna-Powell	ZL1ACP	A	Richard Paul	ZL1DP	P
Cecil Tunnicliffe	ZL2BCB	A	Rob Leinwand	ZL1RD	A
Gavin Douglas	ZL1GAM	P	Ron Crawley	ZL1RON	A
John Smart	ZL1BEY	A	Ross Boswell	ZL1DRB	A
Ken Robinson	ZL1KEN	P	Rowan Smiley	ZL1UIS	A
Mike Conner	ZL1MRC	A	Sandy Johnston	ZL3AXL	P
Paul Kaufmann	ZL1PAK	P	Stan Davis	ZL1SQV	A

Silent Keys

Name	Callsign
Thelma Davis – XYL Stan Davis	XYL of ZL1SQV

Visitors

Name	Callsign
Mark Windram	ZL1UHS
Tim Streeter	ZL3TGY

Confirmation/Actions from Previous Minutes

March meeting Minutes / News Letter have not been received – Paul to arrange with Andrew to resend.

Moved – n/a, Seconded – n/a.

Correspondence In

- News Letters and other electronic correspondence have been forwarded to the members by the Secretary.

Correspondence Out

- Various eMails by Secretary have been sent out, mainly newsletters from other branches.

Financial Report

Finances to (none received / Treasurer absent)

Cheque Account

Opening Balance	\$?
Subs	?
Donations	?
Cheque	?
Closing Balance	<u>\$?</u>

Fast Saver Account

Opening Balance	\$?
Interest	\$?
Closing Balance	<u>\$?</u>

<u>Total Balance</u>	<u>\$?</u>
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Members

New Members:

Tim Streeter (ZL3TGY) and Mark Windram (ZL1UHS) were visiting us for the meeting. We have agreed that from now on we will send them a copy of our Newsletters.

Thelma Davis – XYL Stan Davis:.

We sadly received a call from Stan that his wife passed away on Friday 9.6.2017.

We are very sorry to hear about Stan's loss. Our best wishes and all of our support shall be sent to Stan. We pray that he will get all support and help required to cope with that difficult time.

Members' List:

- *New version of the members' list shall be sent to everyone.*
- *Date of Birth (DOB) must be recorded for all the office holders (we will keep such information confidential however and we will not share it with others).*

AREC - Report and Activities

Nil (office holder absent)

Repeater – Trustee's Report and Activities

- Nothing to report, all running well and as expected.

Diplexer / spare Repeater:

Nothing to report, Ross was not able to attend the meeting and will update us next time he is around.

General Business

Website

Ron is still looking for comments from club members about what changes to the website they would like to see. Please email Ron or Andrew or Paul with your thoughts.

A reminder to all to visit, and to think about and suggest suitable content for our website. Contact Andrew ZL1ACP or Paul ZL1PAK.

Facebook Representation

The idea came up that we should have an entry and be represented in Facebook because today everyone including clubs and businesses have a Facebook page.

We all agreed that this might be a good idea. The challenge however, is that we need someone who will take the role to look after and maintain it.

It would be a function similar to that of our Webmaster (Ron's office) and requires the skills and motivation for keeping our Facebook entries alive and updated.

If we got a FacebookMaster like this - that would be real big help and advance for our Club!

**So if anyone is interested in that honourable job then please come forward!
Your contribution would be a real big improvement for our Club.**

New HAMs in the Region:

No news yet about the 4 new HAMs that are new in our region.

Ken and Andrew both were not available for contacting them due to time and availability. This might be taken up again as soon as time allowing for it.

Membership Charities Association:

We had a good discussion about the pro and con of being a registered charities organisation.

The advantages seem to clearly outweigh the disadvantages.

We unanimously voted for staying with the Charities Commission. However, since we were only few attending the meeting we have decided to vote again, formally, next time when we have more of the members present at the meeting.

Any issues or comments in this regard can also be sent to either Paul or Andrew by email prior to the next meeting.

Member's Contributions

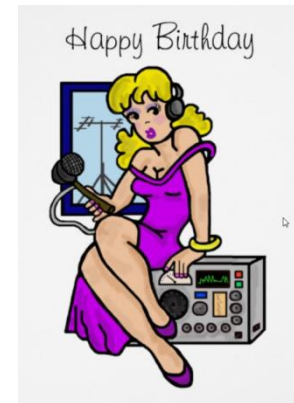
Richard – ZL1DP:

The 22nd is Richard's birthday!

He is going to have a nice round figure ending with a "0".

Who would have believed it – You fooled us with your young looking – however you can't cheat the numbers 😊.

All the Best for you Richard and Good Luck and Good Health!



Tim – ZL3TGY:

Tim is building up his gear and will be using it from his Makarau QTH. We are curious who will be able contacting him first.

Mark – ZL1UHS:

Mark thanks us for welcoming him to our meeting.

Mark likes fishing and hence is also very keen being on and listening the Marine Bands.

Sandy – ZL3AXL:

Sandy is looking for a plug (connector) for his scanner – see picture.



Anyone who can help him? – Please come forward.

Paul – ZL1PAK:

I am looking for an isolation transformer because I was a bit concerned to working with circuits producing over 500V. Usually a mistake in such an environment is rather lethal and nobody is fool-proof. Hence prevention is better than being sorry/fried.

Update: Meanwhile Sandy (ZL3AXL) kindly gave me one of his isolation transformers that was running some heavy builder's equipment (like concrete mixers etc.). Now it found a new place in my shack and it will be treated with honour and respect – Thank you very much Sandy!



In the name of all, the Club would like to thank members who share their latest acquisitions with us. This makes our meetings more interesting and gives us the opportunities we would else maybe not have.

Formal meeting closed ~11:40

NEXT MEETING:

10:00 Saturday 8th July 2017
Meeting Room, Wellsford Library

Education/Entertainment Section

- Alan showed us a video about W9VW “a Tour of Internet Radio Station W9VW” a very sophisticated radio station indeed.