

HAMLARKS

Christchurch Amateur Radio Club



December 2017

Branch 05 Club re-occurring events

MAIN BRANCH MEETING First Wednesday of the month 7.30pm, except January. *All visitors welcome.* At 5 Idris Road, Fendalton.

Branch 05 Website www.chchhamradio.org.nz

ACTIVITIES and STUDY NIGHT Every Tuesday 7:30pm at 5 Idris Road, Fendalton.
All visitors welcome.

DAYTIME MEETING (Branch05)

Meet third Thursday of month, 1PM at Branch05 clubrooms.

All visitors welcome.

COMMITTEE MEETING 1st Monday after branch meeting 7.30pm

At 5 Idris Road, Fendalton

AREC MEETINGS Normally the 2nd Wednesday of the month 7.30pm. At 5 Idris Road, Fendalton

DEADLINE FOR HAMLARKS COPY 11 days before the main branch meeting.

WEEKLY CLUB VHF NET Every Sunday 8:00 PM on 145.625MHz repeater if available, otherwise 147.050MHz repeater.

OFFICIAL NZART BROADCAST Last Sunday of the month 8:00 PM on 147.050MHz repeater.

CW PRACTICE

Boyd ZL3LE every Tuesday at 8pm. 3550 kHz. Listen in your shack or come along to Branch 05 clubrooms.

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Programme for next branch meeting

The program for the December meeting will be the Annual General Meeting. There is also a promise of "Christmas Cheer", so how about that for a bonus?

Secretary Rory's Ramblings - ZL3HB

Another year done and dusted nearly!!! Went pretty quickly didn't it? I would call it a consolidation year after the establishment of us at 5 Idris Rd and the construction of the garage at last.

Now we have to organise the concreting of drive in and paths etc and get the fence up and landscaping done. We have at last had quotes for the concrete work and are currently trying to tie down a contractor to actually do the work. It seems they are all too busy to make an effort for our small job but we will continue to harass them to get it done!!!

You will see elsewhere in Hamlarks the nominations we have received for club positions. It seems the old guard are still wanted. I hope this means you are happy with what we are doing and not apathy!!! There is still time for more nominations if you want someone else to do some of the work!! If you do have any gripes please let us know so we can take that on board for the new year. Plus ideas for things you would like the club to do in 2018. But please remember we all seem to be rather busy so a helping hand for any suggestions would be welcome. The committee would love some new ideas etc and the club does have the funds for any projects the membership agrees on.

The committee is also looking at taking advice on how to best handle our considerable funds with a view to increasing them at a rate faster than inflation to put the club in a strong position for the future. Remember we are only leasing the site so need to consider the long term. More information will become available in due course.

And this December meeting /AGM is party time so come along and enjoy some Xmas cheer with us.

BTW – last membership count was around 220 so a bit of an advance on Galbarith Ave 65!!! Well bolstered by HamCrammers!! And we hope all of you will renew your subs for 2018 in a prompt fashion! Come celebrate with us.

See you there.

Rory ZL3HB

Hamlarks editor ZL3KB

Yes, I am back from my wanderings, and picking up the reins of Hamlarks again. Firstly I want to thank John ZL3IB for his sterling work in keeping this news letter going while I was out at playtime. He always stepped up to the mark with Breakin, and then again for Hamlarks.

Elaine and I landed back in NZ on 15th Nov and have almost unpacked all the storage boxes we call home. The trip was amazing, and crammed with so many exciting experiences. The journey home took us through India and Hong Kong, so, culturally, we never felt like we were getting nearer to New Zealand. A couple of pics from India to finish this page. It is too early to wish you Merry Christmas, so see you at the next meeting.
Kelvin ZL3KB



Answers on a postcard....



One of many transport options,
Rajasthan



A "Step Well", actually a rainwater cistern, Rajasthan, 9th century

Hamads

For Sale The club has some 80 watt solar panels for sale from an estate. Up to 10 available. We are thinking \$150 for each panel These are brand new unused..

For Sale There are a number of HF aerials at the club that we need to move out so are available for sale. A multiband HF beam. Not 100% sure whether it is all there. What looks like a spiderbeam/Hex beam? The spreaders and centre crosses for a cubical quad. Plus a pile of wire that may be from it? A Hustler type multiband vertical - currently at Rory's being evaluated. A military looking VHF whip with a controllable matching system at base?? but no control box!!

Please contact Rory ZL3HB for details etc

For Sale. Yaesu FT-8900R Quadband FM Mobile Radio. New, unused recent purchase from overseas, not programmed but has been tested on-air. Comes complete with box, manuals and usual accessories. Also includes the YSK-8900 separation kit and MH-48 DTMF Mic. NZ\$ 480.00 Contact Blair ZL3TOY (03) 3392967 or zl3toynz@gmail.com

For Sale. 200 watt, 24 volt, solar panel with shattered glass. Needs a sheet of glass RTVed over panel. \$45.00. Contact Kevin Fisher, ZL4KF Phone 021 1887 772.

Wanted The club is looking for some *Break-Ins* to complete club sets.
1933 August and October

1976 November 1979 December

1981 November Plus any Hamlarks from before 1990

If anyone has these issues they can spare for club archives it would be appreciated .

Rory ZL3HB

Christchurch Amateur Radio Club Notice of AGM 2017

The annual general meeting of the Christchurch Radio Club Br 05 NZART Inc will be held at 5 Idris Rd on Wed 6th December 2017 at 7.30 PM.

The agenda will be as follows:

- To elect officers and committee of the club under the new rules as set down in the constitution changes at the 2016 AGM.
- To hear and discuss/accept reports from the appropriate club officers and trustees.
- To set the subscription rate for 2018
- To award any prizes or awards as recommended by the committee.
- Propose/discuss any remits for the 2018 NZART conference
- To discuss any other general business as raised.

Christchurch Amateur Radio Club Election of club officers.

As you will know last year at the AGM it was voted in that club officers and committee members be nominated in writing before the AGM rather than the old system of nominations from the floor at the AGM. This was done to safeguard the considerable club funds from any chance of a takeover by rogue elements as had anecdotally been done at other clubs. Consequently we have received nominations for club positions as follows.

President – Ian Macpherson ZL3TAO

Vice President – Mike Barnes ZL3TMB and also repeater trustee

Secretary – Rory Deans ZL3HB

Treasurer – Richard Prattley ZL3UE

Committee – David O'Malley ZL3DO

- Mark Atherton ZL3JVX

- Mike Duncan ZL3MWD

- Gareth Bradshaw ZL3VP and also as repeater trustee

- Trevor Wignall ZL3ADZ

- Ross Weir ZL3TFK

-Bruce Smith ZL3TDF

- Blair Kenton ZL3TOY

Repeater trustee – Rob Thirkettle ZL3RX

Further nominations will be accepted by the secretary on the appropriate form up until 5 PM on Friday 1st December 2017.

AGM minutes 2016 (Last year)**Christchurch Amateur Radio club AGM 7th Dec 2016**

Apologies ZL3CED, ZL3CC, ZL3TFK, ZL3ACU, ZL3KL, ZL3MJS, ZL4FZ, ZL3GIL, ZL3EP, ZL3JE

ZL2UCI. Moved to accept by Ian ZL3TAO. Carried

Visitors Wayne Fisher ZL2AYB

Minutes of 2015 AGM moved to accept by Rory ZL3HB, seconded Rob ZL3RX. Carried.

Reports **President** Ian ZL3TAO read his report and moved it be accepted. Carried.

Trustee Rob ZL3RX read his report and moved it be accepted. Seconded by

Gareth ZL3VP. Carried.

Treasurer Richard ZL3UE presented the financial report and moved it be accepted, seconded by Simon ZL3SI. Carried. Members requested some further cost breakdown.

AREC report as tabled at AREC AGM was moved to accept by Steve ZL2UCX, seconded by Gareth ZL3VP. Carried.

Election of officers and committee. Ian ZL3TAO vacated the chair replaced by Gareth ZL3VP.

President – Ian ZL3TAO nominated by Mark ZL3JVX, seconded by Rob ZL3RX.

Mike ZL3MWD moved nominations be closed, seconded by Steve ZL2UCX. Carried.

There being no further nominations Ian was declared elected President. Ian ZL3TAO then resumed the chair.

Vice President – Mike ZL3TMB nominated by Rob ZL3RX, seconded Rob ZL2ROB.

Richard ZL3UE moved nominations be closed, seconded by Alan ZL3BWG. Carried. Mike therefore elected Vice president.

Secretary – Rory ZL3HB nominated by Rob ZL3RX, seconded by Greg ZL3IX.

Simon ZL3SI moved nominations be closed, seconded by John ZL3ADF. Carried. Rory subsequently elected secretary.

Christchurch Amateur Radio Club. NZART Branch 05

Treasurer – Richard ZL3UE nominated by Rory ZL3HB, seconded by Rob ZL3RX. Carried.

Committee – Trevor ZL3ADZ nominated by Geoff ZL3PX, seconded Rob ZL3RX

Mark ZL3JVX “ Mike ZL3MWD “ Ron
ZL3RON

Mike ZL3MWD Mark ZL3JVX Gareth
ZL3VP

David ZL3DO Rory ZL3HB
Gareth ZL3VP

Blair ZL3TOY Rory ZL3HB Mark ZL3BA
Gareth ZL3VP David ZL2IC Peter

ZL3NH
Brian ZL2BAT David ZL3DO Rory

ZL3HB

Rob ZL3RX moved nominations be closed, seconded by Mark ZL3JVX. Carried.. The above members are elected to committee.

Repeater trustees – Ian ZL3TAO moved that current trustees, Rob ZL3RX, Gareth ZL3VP and Mike ZL3TMB be re-elected. Carried.

Andrew ZL3CC moved that Richard ZL4FZ be confirmed as AREC section leader and Steve ZL2UCX and Ken ZL4KD as deputy section leaders, seconded by Mark ZL3AB. Carried.

Auditors - Richard ZL3UE moved that ‘Canterbury Community Auditors’ be confirmed as club auditors, seconded by Rob ZL3RX. Carried.

Mike ZL3MWD was then presented with Amateur of the Year.

Geoff ZL3PX was presented with the Telfer cup for services to AREC.

Brian ZL2BAT was thanked for his services to the committee and presented with a gift.

Rob ZL3RX was thanked for his long service to the club and presented with a gift.

David ZL2IC was thanked for his time as President and VP and presented with a gift.

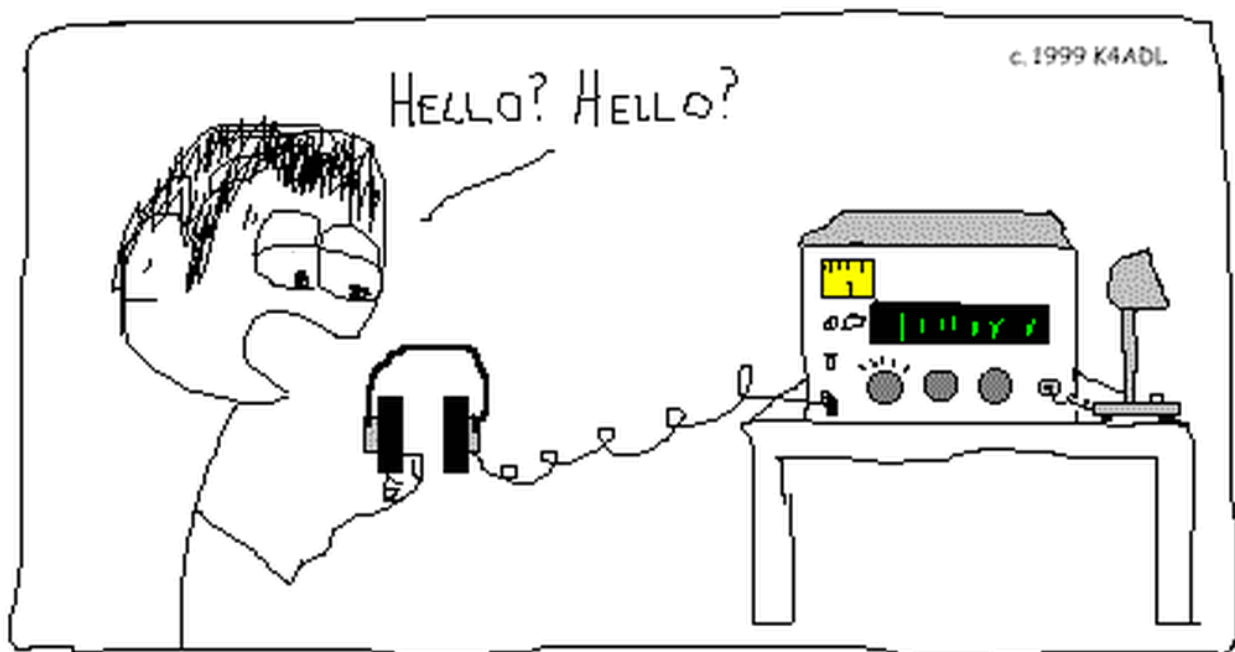
Subscriptions – the committee recommended that subscriptions be increased to \$25 members and \$35 family and an extra \$10 for printed & posted Hamlarks and must be paid by 31st march 2017. Moved to accept by Rob ZL3RX, seconded by Greg ZL3IX. Carried.

Rory ZL3HB moved 'that subscriptions may be paid early from the 1st November until end of AGM night to hold next years subscription at current years rate' seconded by Mark ZL3BA. Carried. Members asked that a separate subscription form be emailed out to members rather than just publish in Hamlarks.

Constitution – John ZL3ADZ moved the changes as published be accepted with proviso that section 7 wording be changed to 'Full members', seconded by Andy ZL3AG. Carried.

There were no remits to forward to annual conference.

Meeting closed at 8.45 PM followed by a Xmas supper.



THE TRANSITION FROM SHORT-WAVE-LISTENER TO HAM OPERATOR
WAS SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT FOR EDMUND.

Minutes of the Branch 05 meeting

Christchurch Radio club general meeting 1st November 2017

Apologies ZL3MJS, ZL3JGM, ZL4FZ, ZL4KD, ZL3TFM, ZL2UCI. Moved to accept by Ian ZL3TAO.

Carried.

Visitors Roland Burrows and

Correspondence Q-bit, Ragchew, Amsat Jnl, CCC WHS letter.

Reports **AREC** Harris Trophy – won by a Chch SAR team.
Police won AREC communications trophy
Klassic Kayak not using AREC this year

Repeaters Licences due
Marleys batteries arrived
National System locked up for a while

QSL Bureau No cards in

Tuesday nights Still going strong. 30+ each night

Band report 6m & 10m beacons being reinstalled next weekend.

160m good – Cocos Island heard.

Rod ZL3NW reports the 2m & 432 Mhz beacons being well used.

General Business Mike ZL3MWD gave a report on recent Hamcram where all 8 passed.

Marleys batteries arrived. Will try & get up there on Friday 10th.

Nominations have been received for all club officer & committee positions.

AREC AGM next week.

Meeting closed at 7.45 PM.

Roland Burrows ex Rector of St Andrews College then gave an interesting talk on his early days with Ham radio plus the current situation re education and some of the effects modern technology is having.

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