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# INTERFACE

MONTHLY BULLETIN

MARLBOROUGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC. P.O. BOX 432 BLENHEIM NZ

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## Club Calendar

General Meeting; 12 Feb. EOC, 19.30hrs

Social Group; 19 Feb. 12.00hrs - The Vines

Committee Meeting; 26 Feb. 2015 07.30hrs - EOC



VHF Mondays 1930 hrs  
146.950MHz, 145.600MHz,  
147.225MHz

Net Controller; Ken Hynds ZL2KHZ

## Branch 22 Notices

1. Wine & Food Festival ..... 14 Feb
2. Jock White Field Day ..... 28 Feb
3. Carluke Nelson/Marlborough BBQ ..... 14 March
4. Grape Ride ..... 28 March

VHF - USB Net Wednesdays 1930  
144.150MHz

HF Net Fridays 1930  
3.575MHz

### JOCK WHITE FIELD DAY - 28th February/1st March

We hope to have the same Dillons Point Rd site and operations should be as in the past i.e. setup between 12 noon and 1500 hrs on Saturday, operating 1500 - 2400 hrs and 0600 - 1500 hrs on Sunday.

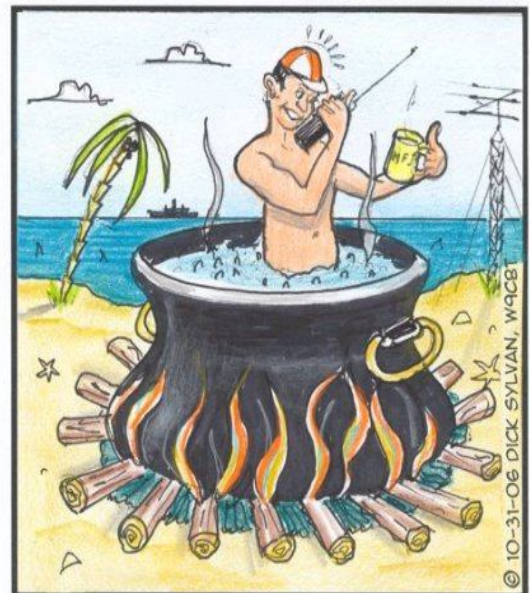
Bill will be chasing up the usual support mechanisms shortly and, of course, any volunteers for the operating team will be appreciated, even if it is just for an hour or two. We already have a few stalwarts on board which is great.

### NEXT GENERAL MEETING - 12th February

The guest speaker will be Brian Tapp, Network Operations Manager for Marlborough Lines. Brian will be speaking on a proposed extension of the Marlborough Lines repeater network in Marlborough and should be of considerable interest to all with even a remote interest in repeaters and their location.

### HAM QUIPS

DICK SYLVAN W9C8T



NEXT YEAR LET'S SEE IF WE CAN FIND A PLACE WITH COOLER CONDITIONS FOR FIELD DAY!

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will be held on Thursday, 12th March at EOC at 7.30 pm.

There will be two vacancies for office, namely the Presidency and Secretaryship.

Anyone wishing to offer for office, or the Committee, or nominate another for said position will need to submit a nomination form before the end of February.

Nomination forms are available from the current Secretary, Bill Cousins ZL2AYZ, who can be contacted on 579-3121 or [b.cousins@xtra.co.nz](mailto:b.cousins@xtra.co.nz)

**DX:**

The DXpedition to Iran (EP6T) has now concluded and Bill is very happy to say that he managed to work them, on SSB no less, from Brayshaw Park, although it required a special effort at 0230 hrs! But it just goes to show the possibilities with the new club facility.

The most sought-after DX entity, Navassa Island (K1N) will be on-air as you read this. This is a massive effort and there should be every opportunity to work them on either, SSB, CW or digital. The entity does not expect to be active again for another ten years! See their website for details and give Brayshaw a go!

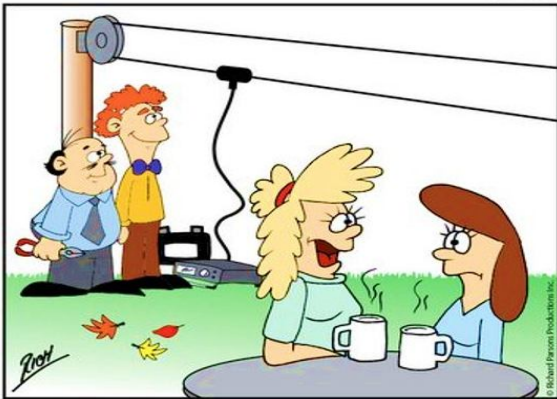
Other current rare ones are Western Sahara (SO1) and St Bethelmy (FJ).

Foss (ZL2JKP) is regretfully having to sell his beloved radio gear. Anyone interested in a superb fully functional radio station might be interested to look at this link.

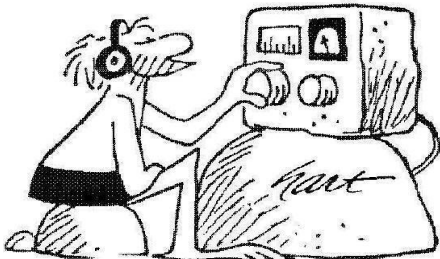
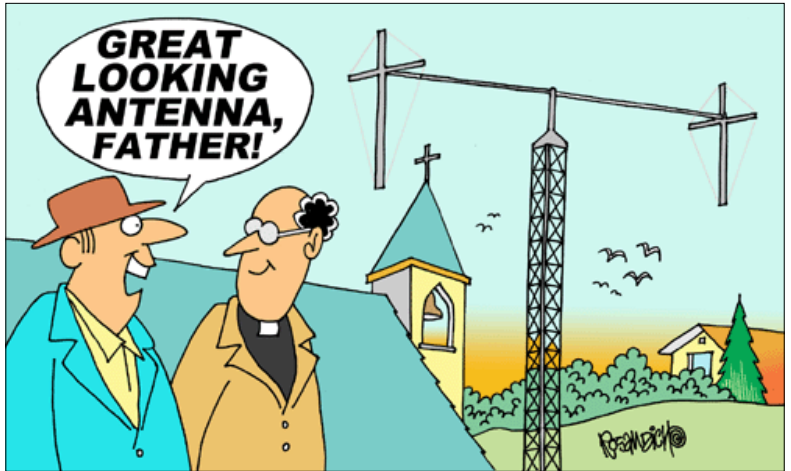
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**SUCH A HAM**

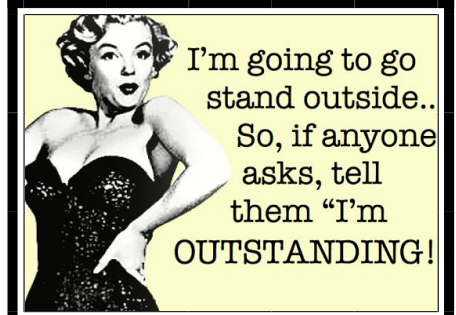
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Stan & Cliff have been working all day on installing my clothesline, Mary



Ham radio operators do it til their gigahertz



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

This gives you the opportunity to see what events are coming up in **your** club and make sure **you** volunteer for something, if you are able, and mark it on your calendar!

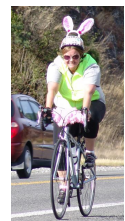
**FEBRUARY 2015**

- 6, 7, 8 Equine Endurance Event
- 7 Half Ironman
- 14 Wine & Food Festival
- 28 Jock White Field Day



**MARCH 2015**

- 1 Cycle Race (2 hours in morning)
- 14 Carluke BBQ
- 28 Grape Ride



**APRIL 2015**

- 3 - 5 (Proposed) Easter weekend Horse Event

