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13  
Club Calls  
**ZL2AS**  
**ZL2QS**

Napier Br 25  
Club Calls  
**ZL2GT**  
**ZL2G**

**IRLP**  
Node  
6793  
147.250

**Branch  
Nets**  
9.00 AM  
Sunday  
Morning  
3615 Hz  
439.175  
mhz

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*The National System site at Wharite, Manawatu, showing the two UHF yagis on the gable end above the ladder. The left hand yagi, to Mt Erin, HB, has just been replaced by Steve ZL2KG.....many thanks Steve. The right hand one points to Mt Egmont.*

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**Club Nights:** Fourth Wednesday each month at 7.30 pm Pakowhai Hall, Pakowhai Road, Pakowhai

## FROM THE CHIEF RADIO OFFICER

We had a great Car Rally a few weeks back, thanks to all. Special thanks to new Rally Boys, Jan ZL2CZE along with Shane ZL2PG. Jan was able to help Shane out from a jam, as Shane's vehicle had failed 12 hours earlier, many thanks to Jan's boss (Diarmuid Ruddle) at Eastek Ltd (thanks boss) and it all went fine on the day.

The wet and warm weather over the last few weeks has been OK for shack clearing in preparation for the "Donated Junk Auction" to be held after our next Br 13 meeting on 26 June, 7-30pm, Pakowhai Hall.....all welcome.

I was very sorry to hear that 96 year old Dan Hursthouse ZL2UCE became a SK on 13 June last. Dan got his AOC in the early 1980's and certainly in recent years, from his Rest Home, has been always good for a quick chat and always with correct procedure and call sign usage.

The HF Bands have been a bit "hit and miss" recently but 40m has been pretty good all things considered.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the 26th June.....bring Junk and Money.

Rob Leicester (ZL2US, Pres. HBARC/Br13, Hastings NZ)



*"The Rally Boys".....Shane ZL2PG in the Eastek vehicle. Picture taken by Jan ZL2CZE.*

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**Committee Meetings:** Third Monday of the month 7pm at Club Rooms

**Club Calls:** **ZL2GT, ZL2G**

**Club Web Site:** [www.zl2gt.com/blog](http://www.zl2gt.com/blog)

**Club Nights:** First Wednesday each month (except January) 7.30pm at the Club Rooms:  
123 Latham Street Napier

## **NAPIER NEWS.....**

Hi all, not much to report this month, our submission to the Napier City Council re providing for amateur antenna masts in the Napier District plan has been received and acknowledged by NCC. I don't expect any developments until the City Council releases its draft District Plan for public comment, at which point we will make a formal submission. Main point is we have asked for an increase in height to 20 metres from the present 13 metre limit, with supporting evidence as to why we think this is necessary for amateur communications. Unfortunately we have been advised that the maximum height permitted in other city plans e.g Tauranga, carries no weight when it comes to a formal hearing, in other words there are no precedents, each appeal has to stand on it's own merit.

With the present stormy weather, it's worth thinking about your own emergency capabilities, whether you are involved in AREC or not. For instance can you get on the air on H/F or VHF if the mains power fails. Do you have a spare 80 or 40 metre dipole you can erect quickly. Do you have a spare DC power lead with battery clips for your H/F rig.

Do you have a portable dual band vhf/uhf antenna ? If not then you will be interested in our club project which is a dual band base station antenna you can make at minimal cost, more on this at an upcoming club meeting.

The July meeting will be a chance for members to bring along some of your more notable QSL cards and tell us how you earned them, for instance working a VE3 on 80 metres with one watt and a broken antenna, etc etc

That's all for this month.

ZL2TC



## Another link in the National System chain

.....Belmont, Wellington.



## How to keep your aerials warm and ice free

.....call at the Woodville Garage and buy them "Aerial Headwear". This stand was noticed while traveling to the recent Masterton NZART AGM.



## "DONATED JUNK AUCTION"

Bring junk and money and have a fun night following the next HBARC/Br 13 meeting on 26 June, 7-30pm, Pakowhai Hall.

The Auctioneer will decide the rules as we go along. Clear out your shack and donate "stuff" to the cause (club funds) and then buy it back.....ummmmm, make that let the auctioneer on sell it to another worthy recipient. Could you please box your donations in job lots so we can handle it easily.

Looking forward to providing you a bargain on the night. The Hall will be open early to give you good time to allow early contributions.

Contact person re this "Donated Junk Auction", David ZL2DW (hm ph 8760518)



## Trans Tasman Competition 160/80m

The ZL2GT Team will be active at the Christian Camp, Moore Rd, Haumoana, in the above event on 20/21 July. You're welcome to join us and participate, it's an easy competition so don't be shy. We have a "secret aerial" in hand so should be able to give those Aussies a fright this year. A bunk house is available on site... very useful as the comp. finishes at 2am Sunday morning. We will have 160m phone and 80m CW/digital operational.

If you'd like to come along, even if just for a "look see", phone Michael ZL2VM or David ZL2DW and we can give you details. We plan to be on site Sat. afternoon to set up, have some communal tea and then "get into it", (8pm), all welcome.

## NOTICES

### **20 July TransTasman 160m Contest**

– the Tukituki Camp site is booked already. Dairy this event too. Note that there is a DIGITAL Mode section in this event. So for all those who built the PC/Rig interface units, hook 'em up at home and get some practice using FLDIGI Software.