



Hastings Br 13
Club Calls
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Napier Br 25
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Node
6793
147.250

Branch's
13/25
Net
9.00 AM
Sunday
Morning
670
Repeater

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Branch 25's Hamfest in full flight – more inside

<http://www.zl2gt.nz/>

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/zl2as/>

Emergency Call-in Frequencies: 3615khz and 670 repeater



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Presidents Report (Branch 13/HBARC, Hastings)

Giddy all and welcome to the end of April. Four months into the year already and we have not done a hell of a lot but summer is well and truly over. Cold nights are here and we have already had our first snow fall, so I'm wondering if we are in for a long Winter with lots of cold weather.

The Branch 25 hamfest went well and I had the pleasure of meeting some I know and some that I didn't know but as always it is good to meet new faces..... and this was just in a couple of hours on the Friday night after I finished work.

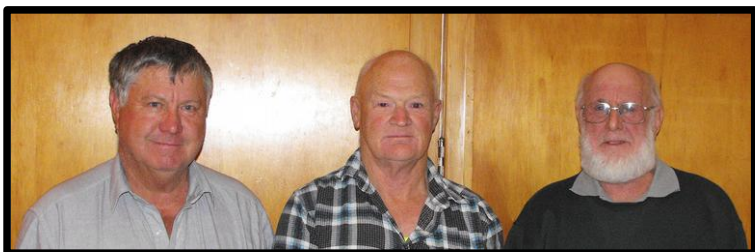
I have been pondering what a man will do when he gets to toss the rag in at the end of his working life. For the hell of me it will be a lot of adjusting to ones life style as from an early age we are conditioned to getting ready to go into the work force but there is nothing to prepare you for life after work and just what will you do if you make it that far as quite a few don't. For those of us that do what are we going to do to fill in our days, nana naps, walks, or even some kind of easy sport and I don't mean arm chair sports.

What about your bucket lists, I have one and as yet there are still some things that I haven't done but will get there at some time or stage of whats left of my life. One of them I want to get to see is..... nah, I'm not going to say as one of those dam Gold Card holders might get to do it before me and that won't go down with me to well so I will just let others guess as to what it might be..... and don't ask I'm not telling.

I have also been pondering about antennas and towers and just who will be able to take them down for you when you are to old to do it for yourself. Some have big towers with big antennas on top and I wonder if those that have these have given any thought as to who has to deal with these once you are not able to take care of them, remember they still need work done on them like new coax, painting and cleaning and as we age we are less likely to be able to do this work by ourselves so we have to rely on others to come and help. So I ask that with our hobby you think about your family that are left to fix things for you and down size or make it simple for them or yourself to work on.

Well that's it for this month see some of you at the meeting and others around some where.

Blue ZL3TT (President Branch 13/HBARC, Hastings)



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Committee Meetings: 7:30 pm, 3rd Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September, November

Club Calls: ZL2GT, ZL2G

Club Web Site: <http://www.zl2gt.nz/>

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

HAMFEST Branch 25, Napier (April 2018)

With much prior arranging and work being done the Hamfest day arrived and it was noted that there were many early arrivals...including some flying in for the event. It was held at the Napier Aero Club building at the HB Airport, Napier.

The days schedule went well with good timing being kept. There were subjects presented on a range of topics including both digital and rf.

It should be noted that the youngest presenter was Xenia ZL4YL, a local secondary student who has had her AOC for almost three years.

After the event some gathered at the Napier RSA for an evening meal and socializing.

Thank you Branch 25, organizers and presenters.





More images available at
<http://www.thecomputerman.co.nz/hamfest/index.html>

A BIT OF HISTORY

Recently I was sent, by Alan ZL1AUW this 1932 Break In article relating to the "Napier - Hastings Branch", yes the Branches were once one. (I think they became separate Branches just after WW2). This picture and article are already within the Branch 13 archives....probably thanks to (SK) Pete Stevens (then ZL2AS).

Some of you may be wondering what or where the monument is that the group are gathered upon in this old picture. The answer is, Cornwall Park, Hastings (the trees have grown a bit). Shown below is a recent picture of the same monument....nothings' changed. Below are two pictures of two plaques that are on the monument (again in case you're wondering) telling us why the monument exists.

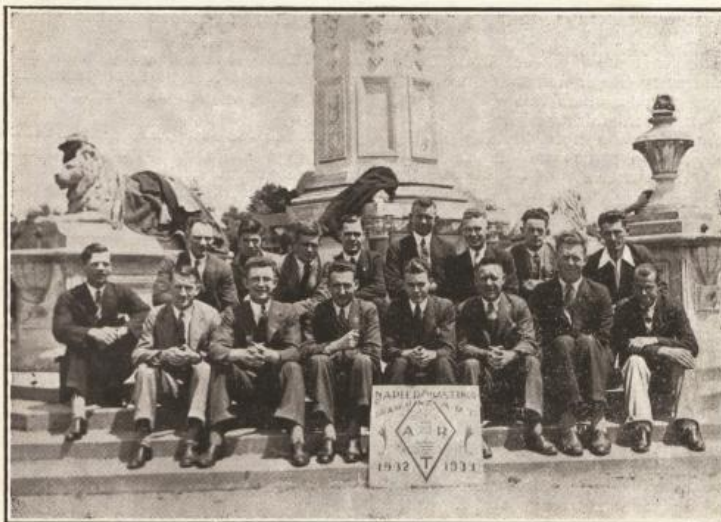
And I guess someone is going to ask, "why were the guys gathered at such a place" ? My guess is that they were out at the Cornwall Park Tea Rooms having finished their Club meeting at someone's shack.

David (ZL2DW)

December 10, 1932.

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NAPIER-HASTINGS BRANCH.

Back row (left to right):—M. Pettifer, 2KJ; S. French, 2JB; — Crooks, 2MQ; A. Crabtree, 2FQ; Mr I. Baird, J. O. Neill, 2KT; A. Robertson, 2KM; H. Roberts, 2FY; E. Beale, 2AT.
Front row (left to right):—C. Simpson, 2KD, H. Etheridge, 2FW; F. I. R. Hunt (Vice-President) 2GQ; R. Scott (President) 2CR; G. E. Tyler (Secretary) 2GE; R. H. King, 2KI; L. T. Young, 2KK.

NAPIER-HASTINGS DISTRICT NOTES.

The activities in amateur radio in this district during the past twelve months have shown that this hobby is increasing in popularity to a great extent.

During the past year many enthusiasts have passed their tickets and joined up with the local Branch here, making a total to date of 16 transmitting members, as well as several listeners.

At the annual general meeting, held at the beginning of the year, the responsibility of the chair was entrusted to Mr R. H. J. Scott (ZL2CR), the secretary being Mr G. E. Tyler (ZL2GE).

The meetings of the Branch are held alternately in Napier and Hastings in the shacks of different mem-

bers, after which the "boys" adjourn to a near-by restaurant for supper, which makes an excellent way of winding up such a pleasant evening.

The meetings are carried on in quite a formal fashion, opening by the secretary reading the previous minutes and correspondence, after which subjects are brought up for discussion, and members discuss different transmitting problems which they have encountered.

These meetings are thoroughly enjoyed by all who attend, and also tend to hold the Association together as a body, as well as being a great help in settling minor local matters in connection with station interference, etc.

During the year a list of Branch rules was drawn up in order to ensure perfect harmony in the future,

concerning new members, election of officers, and voting, etc.

The inauguration of the Radio Emergency Corps was welcomed with great enthusiasm in this district, and it was decided from the outset to form a section here, details of the activities of which will be found in the R.E.C. notes.

Many of the amateurs in this district have now obtained higher frequency permits and DX conditions during the past three months have been quite favourable, quite a number of the new members having had QSO's with other continents on low-powered transmitters. Since the earthquake of 1931, conditions here in regard to electric power interference have been far from satisfactory, many of us having been forced to break off QSO's on account of this trouble, but we do hope and dream that there will be a time when interference and static of any description will be gone and forgotten, never to return.

In reference to transmitter design in this district, there seems to be a tendency to build low-powered MOPA's, some in push-pull, some with buffer stages, and some just the conventional driver and power amplifier. Phone transmissions are heard quite often from this district, and some are as good as those heard on the broadcast band.

In conclusion, let us, on behalf of the Napier-Hastings Branch of the N.Z.A.R.T., tender congratulations to the Headquarters staff at Christchurch, who have done their work so wonderfully well during the past year, with special mention of their achievements in the publication of "Break-In" and the inauguration of the Radio Emergency Corps. We wish them as well as the other members of the N.Z.A.R.T. a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.



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NEXT Branch 13 MEETING PRESENTATION

The presentation (on Wed. 25 April) will be on digital modes, a very basic introduction by ZL2WD.

I'm sure you will all have some questions for him

Kind regards Phil ZL2RO



NOTICE to Branch 13/HBARC meeting attendees

In the last Break Out there was a notice to consider if Branch 13 would move it's meeting night from a Wednesday to a Thursday.

At the March meeting the background to this was given and a vote taken.....

-----Branch 13 meetings REMAIN on the fourth Wednesday of the month. -----

David (ZL2DW) (Secretary for Branch 13/HBARC, Hastings)



An article on the Wahine and Morse Code

<https://www.criticalcomms.com.au/content/industry/article/the-day-the-wahine-sank-996409864#axzz5DBT25xw3>



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