

N.Z. DX Club Advisory Board ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

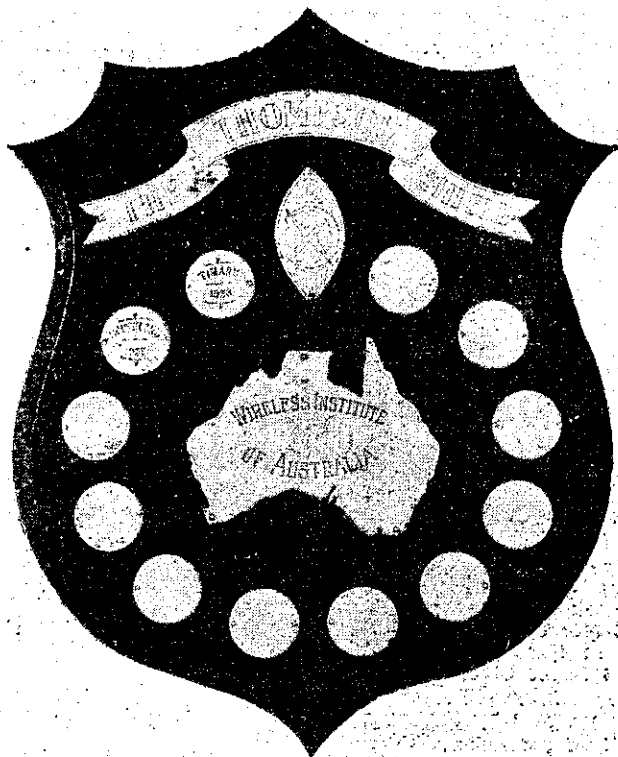
DUE to the resignation of a member of the N.Z. DX Club Advisory Board it is necessary to elect a new vice-president, and to this end a voting coupon and accounts of the activities of the members who have been nominated for election to this vacancy appear on this page. Every member of the club is urged to send in his vote, so that the nominee elected will be the one in whom members place most confidence.

NOMINATIONS for the vacancy which occurred on the N.Z. DX club's Advisory Board through the resignation of Mr. R. A. Roycroft certainly exceeded headquarters' expectations. Considering that no branch may nominate more than one member, five nominations for one position is definitely "good going" and seems to indicate that members are taking a greater interest in club policy than for some time past.

The nominees are all well known to Club members for their good work on behalf of

our organisation and we hope that they will receive support worthy of the position for which they have been nominated.

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many years and for most of the time has been secretary of the Napier Branch. Although DX conditions are poor in his district, Mr. Hallett has managed to keep the branch active and has won

Voting Coupon N.Z. DX CLUB ADVISORY BOARD ELECTION

- M. BRANKS
- J. P. COWLISHAW
- C. DRING
- O. N. HALLETT
- F. SMITH

(CROSS OUT FOUR NAMES)

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Signature

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1938 VK3 COMPETITION Detailed Results

BRANCH COMPETITION

- FIRST: Hawke's Bay—Average 10.25 points.
- SECOND: Manawatu—Average 9 points.
- THIRD: Southland—Average 8.20 points.

INTER-ISLAND COMPETITION

- South Island—Average 7.7 points.
- North Island—Average 6.6 points.

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

L. M. Durbin (DX564A), Northland.

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L. M. Durbin (DX564A), Northland, and A. M. Branks (DX44S), Southland, first (equal).

entry totalled 697. He was well placed in the 1935 VK3 Competition and has won various District and City Certificates and branch competitions. He also held the Frank Carr Challenge Cup for a season.

C. Dring (DX —) has been a member of the Wellington Branch for a number of years and has held many responsible positions. In addition to holding office on several committees, he has been secretary of the branch and also of the Petone Sub-branch, for the forming of which he was largely responsible. Although his log is not a large one, Carl is an enthusiastic dxer and has also had several years' experience on the technical side of radio, which gives him a greater understanding of the dxer's difficulties. He is especially interested in helping young dxers and to this end he has donated a cup for competition among junior members of the Wellington Branch.

O. N. Hallett (DX 143H.B.) has been a member of the Club for

the Napier Branch Certificate in Headquarters competitions.

F. Smith (DX —) joined the Club early in 1937, since when he has been an enthusiastic worker for the Club in general and the Westland Branch in particular. Last year he was elected president of the branch and under his able guidance the branch has progressed rapidly. He has been well placed in the local broadcast band competitions and is the Branch's leading shortwave dxer.

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A resume of the DX activities of the nominees follows:—

M. Branks (DX 44S.), who has been nominated by the Southland Branch, is one of the few old hands still actively dxing—his first verification is dated January 3, 1928. Although he logged stations for two years before that he did not know stations acknowledged reports. There has been no mushroom growth in his log, but it has slowly mounted and now approaches 500 broadcast band stations with all continents verified. His Australasian total is 286. He is best known to club members as the writer of many interesting and instructive articles in "The Radio Times" under the pen-name of "The Southlander," while he has from time to time made useful suggestions to Headquarters. He is a vice-president of the Southland Branch and recently assisted in reviving the branch, which now has 30 members, and is also editor-in-chief of the branch bulletin, "The DX-tra." Merv is the present holder of the District Certificate, which he has won on numerous occasions. In his early thirties, "The Southlander" has "tons" of DX experience and is always ready to give help and advice to younger members.

J. P. Cowlshaw (DX 12W.) was a member of the Advisory Board from the time of its inception until last elections, when he did not stand for re-election. He has also been president of the Manawatu Branch since it was first formed. He won the DX Challenge Cup in December, 1933, with a log of 500 stations and in the open competition in June, 1936, his

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AN interesting clause in the regulations for poor relief formulated by the Canadian Board of Control concerns the possession by relief families of such luxuries as cars and radio. Radio sets, it has been decided, must be forfeited, and their value deducted from the relief if bought since 1937. In the case of cheap and second-hand sets, adjustments may be made to suit individual circumstances. It is realised that obsolete sets in relief homes may be the only form of entertainment available for the destitute.

THE BBC mobile recording unit is trying to find feathered songsters or talkers who can be induced to face the microphone and, incidentally, to provide owners of high-quality receivers with a chance to test their instruments on Nature own audio frequency generators.

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