



CLUB CALL: VE3RAM

Club Operating Frequencies: 3760Kcs, 50.4 Mcs, 144.5 Mcs

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POT HOLE NET

Official Net of the Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club, Incorporated. Meets every Sat & Sun at 10 AM local time on 3760 Kcs. 6 meter version meets every Sun AM at 11 on 50.4 Mcs.

MONITORING FACILITY

VE3CGO monitors 3760 Kcs daily from approx 8 AM to 6 PM to assist local mobiles as well as those passing through or visiting Ottawa. Also takes traffic from out of town for the Ottawa area.

NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

PLACE: NRC Sussex Street, Ottawa, Ont. Room 3039

DATE & TIME: THURSDAY, 14 November 63 at 8.15 PM

(Note: Club meets on the 2nd Thursday of every month)

PROGRAMME

BUSINESS:

TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION: Phone Patch (by VE3CEB)

FILM: TBA

COFFEE & COOKIES

RAG CHEW

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

VE3BCL Sid gave a very excellent talk on his sojourn in the Congo. His talk was complemented by very excellent coloured slides. I am sure that most of us were very surprised to discover the apparent natural beauty of the Congo and the buildings therein. If the climate werent so tepid, I rather imagine it would be a pleasant place to live, barring uprisings etc.' Many thanks indeed Sid for a very excellent educational and interesting talk! Rene Goldberger, VE3ABU from Oakville Ontario was our guest speaker and delivered a very interesting talk on the design of a completely transistorized 75 meter transmitter. The rig Rene demonstrated was described by him in Sept 62 QST. The various design problems were extremely interesting, and it is obvious that that transistors are here to stay. It is interesting to note that Joe Ham can buy a transistor capable of 15 watts output on 75 meters for about \$7.50 nowadays. So it is now within the realm of possibility. Many thanks Rene for a very interesting and thought provoking talk.

WELCOME ABOARD

To new members: Roy Baker VE3AXC, and Bob Lamb VE3BCB.

EMERGENCY CORPS

Glenn VE3CGP has volunteered his services as an Emergency Co-ordinator for the formation of an EMERGENCY CORPS within the CLUB. This will be formed from Club members with "FULL MEMBERSHIP" i.e. members with mobile equipment installed and operating in their car. Glenn will be recruiting very shortly so be ready to volunteer your services regardless of what band your mobile operates on. This will apply to any and all bands and the activities will not be confined to any one band!

SUGGESTIONS FROM THE MEMBERS

(A) It has been suggested that we might form a "Club Bowling League" as another of our many activities which help to round out the many facets. This is indeed a novel idea and one that has not ever been broached before. Have we a stalwart among us who would take upon himself the task of first ascertaining if there would be sufficient interest in such a project and if so, organize it?

(B) There is apparently still a need for a simple design for a mobile set up for 75 meters. It has been suggested that the Club design such a rig. Possibly the Technical Adviser should be assigned the Project, but he should first have a set of design parameters. At the last executive meeting a number of excellent suggestions were made in this connection. I think we should have a design contest with very simple rules and that the design should consist of a circuit and description first of all. The winner should be selected on the basis of originality, simplicity and adherence to the design parameters which would be suggested by the members. This type of contest would not impose a financial strain on a member. From the winning design, the club could finance a prototype, possibly some of the parts would be donated by members. If proper layouts were made etc, the design could be duplicated by anyone. So what sa, here is a counter suggestion to the suggestion! In fact this technique could be applied to a series of projects for mobile designs for various HF and VHF receiver/transmitter combinations. I envision a panel of judges chaired by the Club Technical adviser deliberating on the entries, and generally organizing the caper. Let's face it, we are supposed to be a mobile Club, but unfortunately we have been attracting a large number of non mobile members, who though when making application for membership state they have an interest in mobile activity, but produce nothing along these lines. It is also amusing to note that some members who used to mobile constantly bemoan the lack of mobile activity! Like --remember the glass house bit and "put your mobile where your mouth is".

REPORT ON THE SOCIAL EVENING

Saturday 19th of October was the date for this popular Club event. They tell me that I had the best time ever, in fact I think this was the best to date. There were prizes, dancing and an excellent lunch. Our thanks to 3BHA, Gil and 3CGP Glenn for providing the music. The choice was excellent, plenty of smaltzy music for the pre twist and jive generation. I must congratulate Gil for desisting from an all twist programme, it was hard for him and heartbreaking at times to view him twisting to a waltz, but I am sure he enjoyed himself just the same! As usual we got fowled up on the Paul Jones record, you know dancing to the ladies in the centre men on the outside portion, but it was somehow recognized that we were playing part two first. Maybe the next time we will start out right, it is always interesting. Our thanks to Pat King XYL of 3BST for providing an excellent lunch. Also to Doreen 3CGO for the prizes, and to Sid 3BCL for getting the hall. We had the largest attendance yet! There were a lot of new faces which registered astonishment at the cultural aspect of the affair! I am sure that the new faces will become regular devotees of the Social Evening and have changed their opinion of hams

and Ham Radio Generally! There were a number of guests of members of the non Ham fraternity. I am sure that these people will now have more respect for their Ham neighbours, either that, or they are now convinced that all hams are utterly mad! They certainly appeared to enjoy themselves in any event! Like if this is Ham Radio----- how do I become one ! Was pleased to see Boyd 3CMO and his XYL there, but Boyd cheated, he practiced, and his dancing ability was without peer ! Geez , guys with his talent make me feel bad. Maybe we should have a Club "Dancing Class" for such as I ! Oh well I had quite a workout anyway! Sure glad I washed my feet ! See you all at our next Social Evening, on second thought , maybe the turnout would be larger if yours truly gave it a miss. I cant forget the look of terror on the faces of the females when I asked them to "dance," a term I use very loosely!

JOINT ACUTION

The time has come again to flog your excess junk. This popular event under the joint sponsorship of the Ottawa Amateur Radio Club and the Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club, incorporated is being held in the G.E. auditorium on the Richmond Road starting at 7 PM sharp 20 Nov 63. Tag your equipment, with your call and/or name. The two Clubs will as usual take 10% of the take which will be shared equally to swell the respective coffers. It is understood we have to be out of the building by 10 PM so it is requested by the auctioneers that junk that should be put in the garbage should not be included since this takes up valuable time. There are two categories of junk, good junk and bad junk, the latter type should go in the garbage! Like who needs tubes with open filaments, transformers with open windings, chassis with a dozen holes, matted wire etc ?

IN SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy to Dave 3CIZ on the recent loss of his father

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED

Ian VE3DMT would like to have some volunteers to assist in teaching radio theory to General Radio Service (citizens band) operators to enable them to obtain amateur licences. Contact him at 822-2154 if you would like to assist.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The executive have appointed the following members to select a slate of officers willing to serve as the executive for 1964, VE3BCL Sid, chairman, assisted by 3CSF Hank, and 3CEB Jack. The selection of the slate which should be announced in the next Rambler does not preclude nominations from the floor by the members, but only assures that there is a slate willing to serve. As members you may nominate members at the election meeting, which will be the December meeting. But please, please check with your choice to ascertain if he is willing to serve, before the election. Remember that that the president vice-president and technical adviser must be "Full members" i.e. have mobile equipment installed and operating in their vehicle. This in accordance with the constitution is to ensure that the Club remains a mobile club. All other executive positions must be held by licenced amateurs, such as Activites Chairman, Secretary Treasurer, Publicity Chairman. So think now, select the man of your choice and approach him and obtain his consent.

SPLATTER

Doreen VE3CGO is now in uniform after successfully completing a Brownie Leader's course, 2 i/c of a local pack no less -...-3CDC Doug is taking a course and will be out of town for a few weeks --like excelsior -...-Bill Beaton 3DQP has an SX-42 and an AR77 for sale tel PA8-8387-...- 3HG Ray has numerous modulation txs and other gear for sale phone 822-0817 Reminder---How about paying your dues early