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POT HOLE NET

Official Club Net. Meets every Sat & Sun on 3760 Kcs at 10 AM local time.

MONITORING FACILITY

VE3CGO monitors 3760 Kcs daily from approx 8 AM to 6 PM for local mobile, or out of town traffic.

NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

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

DATE/TIME: THURSDAY 8th October 1964 at 8.00 PM

PROGRAM

BUSINESS:

TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION: Heath HW-12 Mobile 80M SSB Transceiver
(by VE3YC)

FILM: TBA

COFFEE & COOKIES:

RAGCHEW

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

Unfortunately the scheduled talk on the Radar Speed Trap Detector did not materialize, but VE3BST Gerry came to the rescue with a demonstration of his latest dc to dc transistorized converter used to power his SSB mobile. The Converter is of course homebrew and features several output voltages including bias. Thanks for a very interesting talk Gerry. The film, although nothing to do with ham radio was well received. It concerned the problems created in traffic due to the ever increasing number of cars on the road. Some of the sequences got quite a few belly laffs from the audience. It was a NFB film. There was a general discussion on the possibly of splitting the office of secretary/treasurer into to separate entities, thereby making the load lighter and at the same time possibly making the jobs a little more attractive for possible candidates. It was pointed out that this would increase the number of directors by one and would complicate our incorporation. It was proposed that the office of Activities Director be abolished since all activities are normally planned by the entire Executive Body in a proper council fashion. One man cannot possible perceive the feeling of the club for projects and activities especially if he doesnt know the members intimately. A group can of course

plan the activity and share the responsibilities of its implementation among them. (Note: The Executive requested that the foregoing summary be included in the Rambler for the benefit of those not present.) In view of the favorable climate to the discussion, the President requested that someone officially make a motion which would be given "Due Notice" in this issue of the Rambler.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Gerry King VE3BST wishes to serve Notice of Motion to the effect that Article 2 (c) of the By-Laws of the Constitution be amended to separate the duties of Secretary and Treasurer and to abolish the position of Activities Chairman. (Note: a vote will be taken at the October meeting)

REPORT ON THE TRANSMITTER HUNT & PICNIC

This event was held at Kemptville Provincial Park on Sunday 13th September. The Club Witchdoctor must have made with the proper incantation because the weather was excellent, couldnt have been nicer! The event wasnt as well attended as the Seaway version last year, but all had a very fb time. The Ottawa Club were not represented by any of their members, as was the case last year. There were five entrants in the transmitter hunt. It was a good chase, and guess who was the winner and the only one to find it----like it was me your lil ol editor, much to my surprise. My prize a year's subscription to any magazine of my choice (Amateur Radio --that is) I wanted Playboy, but ----oh well radio mags are fine. I must congratulate VE3BJO Bill, and VE3BPT Glen on the excellent job they did in organizing and operating the event. I think Bill should get an Oscar for his acting ability as the Lumberjack. Ask him about his rôle, I'm sure he would also be pleased to give you his autograph! He almost fooled me! The races and door prizes for the picnic portion were run by VE3CEB, Jack, and I am sure that all the kiddies had a good time. Very good show Executive! The members appreciate your efforts!

PEOPLE WE CAN DO WITHOUT or Drop Dead Already

- Members who KNOCK our Club on the air especially on our POT HOLE Net. The courteous person if he can't say anything nice, says nothing! If he has a legitimate complaint, he makes it at a Club Meeting, or via a telephone call to the Executive. This sort of comment is not for "on the air" use, of course some people havent the guts to attend a meeting and offer "constructive" criticism to the meeting. BE A BOOSTER and a POX to the KNOCKERS. Fortunately our club has FEW "on the air Knockers". Lets try for zero!
- 3) The VE2s have a CW band from 3725 Kcs to 3800 Kcs. The rest of Canada should avoid interfering with this assignment! The "plop" was my tongue popping from my cheek!
- 4) The people who tune up on a net frequency during the beginning of a net. I guess their final tank stages are so sharp that they cannot tune 10 kc above or below.
- 5) The "Unbeatables" those who cannot zero beat, I fear that these types will ultimately disappear when ssb becomes the only accepted mode of transmission. We can learn a lot from the precision of this type of operation.
- 6) The "Not able to zero beat artists" that do not provide a method of zero beating without the final. They should have been stangled at birth!
- 7) Fixed stations that carry on QSOs on the "Gentlemans Agreement" Mobile frequency. Especially if they are members of the Mobile Club!

⑨ Long Winded Fixed stations talking to mobiles! Short and Snappy transmissions are much to be preferred. With some of the long winded fixed stations crating a fella can arrive at his destination right across town without having had the opportunity of making a transmission!

④ The person that runs a competition to see if he can have his carrier on before the station he is working goes off. It is polite to leave a brief pause between transmissions (Unannounced) for breakers which may be at extreme ranges. The Break, Break, Break bit is not necessary when courtesy is the keyword. Insertion of the call during the pause does the trick!

① I am sure that "none of our members are guilty of these heinous crimes" but they are reproduced here as a matter of record. Plop Plop!

SOCIAL EVENING - COMING ATTRACTION

Our first Social Evening of the Fall season will take place at the PLDG Mess 60 Queen Street, Saturday 24th October at 8.30 PM. As usual it is open only to Club Members and their XYL or YLs and guests. Lots of parking is available in the National Gallery parking lot to the east. Bill Rolfe 3BJO will try to establish at the next meeting whether or not it should be a costume affair.

Be ready for his question! In the event that it is a costume affair and you do not wish to dress up, please remember that usual mess rules apply, i.e. shirt, tie and jacket for men. Of course this will be the dress also for a non costume type party. So make your plans now, book a sitter and plan to take along a guest couple. The telephone committee will be calling to get an estimate of the number coming and will supply up to the minute details. For the benefit of the newer members the social evening consists of having a good time by means of the odd snort, dancing, getting to know the gang.

By the way ladies it is an unwritten rule (among the older members at least) that ham radio isnt discussed. And strangely enough we found out much to our surprise that hams can behave like normal human beings when they try! CU all there! There will also be prizes and a lunch provided.

REPORT ON THE AUCTION

I must compliment the Ottawa Amateur Radio Club on the excellent job they did on the Auction which was held at the GEM store on the 26th of September. It was well organized and in my opinion the GEM location and time is a vast improvement over the previous place and time. There were bargins galore, in fact there were so many items that when 5 PM came many items were yet to be auctioned. It is possible that a supplementary auction may be held in November to deal with the overflow.

SPLATTER

3DQM Bill has joined the ranks of the trailer fraternity and is now the proud owner of a 16 footer-...- 3AK Eric had the second portion of his vacation in N.B. -...- 3FCK Fred is a new mobile in the Ottawa district--Fred is joining our Club--nice to have you with us Fred -...-Our Prez 3CGP Glenn is presently vacationing in the Maritime prov. of N.B. --Wonder if he has learned the "N.B. Stomp" yet-...- 3CEZ Lyle had a FB West Coast among other places vacation -...- Good News----Harry 3BEB will soon have his new mobile whip at long last--congratulations om -...- 3BPT Glen is building a SSB rig -...- 3CQD Emil is building a SSB transceiver -...- 3GX Ed is till thinking about building a SSB transceiver -...- 3CGO Doreen has been upped to Brown Owl in the Brownie organization -thats like a Cub Master to those of you that havent been in Brownies -...- Cu at the meeting