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POT HOLE NET: Official Club Net. Meets every Sat & Sun on 3760 Kcs at 10 AM local time. For a trial period there is an additional net every Fri at 6.30 PM .

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

NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

PLACE: NRC SUSSEX STREET, ROOM 3039, Ottawa, Ontario TIME/DATE: Thursday 11 FEB at 8.00 PM

PROGRAMME----BUSINESS:

TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION: 6M Homebrew Mobile Transmitter (by 3FPV)

REPORT ON 6 & 2 Meters

OPEN TECHNICAL FORUM

FILM: Part 2 of BTGO film "Gateway to the Mind"

COFFEE & COOKIES

RAGCHEW

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

Our first meeting of the New Year was very well attended indeed! One of the best turnouts we have had in sometime despite the fact that that the temperature was more than 15 degrees below zero! The Commissionaire at NRC reported that it was 19-20 below when we departed. Think we should have a special Polar Medal struck for those brave and adventurous souls who emulate the spirit that prevails in the case of our Club members. Like jolly good show chaps, wizard and all that jazz. I might mention, in all fairness that the Telephoning Committee was responsible for the good turnout. The Club has gone back to the old successful policy of calling all members prior to each meeting. The members attending the last meeting indicated their enthusiasm and quite a few indicated that the telephone call was responsible for their attendance. This will become a permanent feature for those within reach of local exchanges!

VE3CLW André, gave a talk on the problems and solutions to the design and construction of a low noise 2 & 6 Meter converter. Thanks very much André, it was very interesting indeed! The Open Technical Forum, a new edition to to the format was very successful! The idea behind this is for the members to present any problems that they might have which can be answered by the membership at large. It also provides the membership with the opportunity of passing along any hints and kinks that they may have discovered or read which may be of benefit to the rest of the gang. Part 1 of the BTGO film "Gateway to the mind was very well received and the members indicated their interest in viewing the second part.

THANKS A MILLION

The plea for membership renewal contained in the last edition of the Rambler was answered with gratifying results. Aproximately half of the membership local and DX responded. To repeat our message, if you are unable to attend the next meeting, please submit a cheque in the amount of \$3.50 for regular members, \$1.00 for DX payable to "Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club, Incorporated to J.A. Childerhose, VE3CGD, 1258 Rustic Drive, Ottawa 5, Ontario.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

It is anticipated that the 1965 membership roster will be included along with the March issue of the Rambler. So like--please ensure that you are eligible by parting with the necessary bucknicks and at the same time help us out !

POT HOLE NET PROCEDURE

It has been suggested that the AM and SSB be separated to save the wear and tear on the Net Control Station as well as that of the Net members. This isn't a separation of the men from the boys as some might suppose, but verily a convenience. Now I know that there may be some anti-separatists in the crowd, but like this is a matter of mode! The procedure is simple, the NCS calls in the AM mobiles first, followed by the SSB mobiles and the SSB fixed stations after which the AM fixed stations. This procedure precludes the formation of a callous on the thumb and index fingers of all concerned. It leaves the pinkies at "operational readiness" for other purposes.

AUCTION NEWS

Our Club has been invited by the Ottawa Amateur Radio Club to run the spring Auction, a sort of share the wealth! We have accepted their generous offer and the Executive, at least have agreed to participate physically in this popular event. It is hoped that the members, when called upon will assist physically and enable our Club to sponsor a successful event. We will have to lean on the OARC for advice, which I am sure they will freely give us. The procedure will be the same as for the Last OARC event i.e. from 10AM to 12.30PM on "D" Day will be for the registration of items for auction. At 1.00PM the auction will commence, ceasing at 5PM. The Place will again be the GEM store and the date, Saturday 1st May 65. So start assembling your items. It is intended that the event will be widely publicized and all district Clubs as well as those within easy driving distance will be advised. Your help to make this a success is essential! Please accept when the Executive request your assistance!

COMING ATTRACTION

You guessed it! Your Executive is planning a Spring Social Evening in the old and traditional manner. The date is tentatively in March, but you will be advised of developments in the next exciting issue.

CREDIT

The Executive wish to gratefully acknowledge the assistance rendered by Doug 3CDC i.e. he provided the coffee and cookie chore for the greater part of 1964. We wish to welcome his successor Glenn, VE3CGP who graciously "volunteered" his services for 1965. This is indeed an honour bestowed on few members! We doff our mobile whips to you stalwart gentlemen!

INVITATION

The Ottawa Amateur Radio Club have invited our Club to participate in a "Come-all-ye" to be held at the GEM Store banquet hall 3 March 65. The event will feature a demonstration of Heathkit equipment by Daystrom and a VTVM Heathkit (natch) will be offered as a doorprize. So plan to attend. The time is, incidently, 8PM.

WELCOME ABOARD

TO new members Ron Kramer, VE3BSZ and to Randy Smith VE3BDX. Nice to have you!

APPLICATION FORMS

The Executive has decided that only new members will be required to complete an application form. Formerly it was the practice to complete one each year!

SURPLUS GOODIES

We are pleased to announce that our Club is now officially listed with CADC----- you know like Crown Assets Disposal Corporation.

SPLATTER

Glenn 3CGP is now SSB with Heathkit HW12 from the home station.---never thot I would see the day---it is encouraging that he is still AM from the mobile! ---.- Harry 3BBB is another defector and has an HW12 under construction which he plans to use from the home station----good news on Harry's mobile antenna Saga, yes it is finally in ---so maybe we will again hear him mobile, AM that is ---.- Your editor was recently conducted on a "tour" of the Gerry King 3BST SSB transceiver and linear amplifier factory---he has more things on the "GO" than the average person with an overdose of EXLAX ---He is also planning a reely high power mobile linear---I even saw the new homebrew production mobile antenna he is going to use with it---I think that half of the high flying birds will be whipped to death with it---you know, like reely formidable---.- 3CQD Emil has completed a new SSB linear and is also building a homebrew SSB 5 band transceiver ---.- Thats all we have space for ---.-