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3760 KHZ, 146.94 MHZ

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POT HOLE NET: Official Club NET. Meets every Saturday and Sunday at 10 AM local time on 3760 kHz. On Saturdays only, the Club Sponsored SWAP NET conducted by VE3YC follows immediately after roll call. All amateurs are welcome to participate.

MONITORING FACILITY: VE3CGO monitors 3760 kHz SSB and 146.940 MHz FM daily from approx. 8 AM to 6.30 PM for mobile or out of town traffic. Call VE3CGO if you have traffic for Ottawa, require assistance, telephone calls etc.

NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

PLACE: NRC Sussex Street, Room 3039

TIME & DATE: 8.00 PM THURSDAY 9 January 69

PROGRAM

BUSINESS:

TECHNICAL TALK: Transmission Line Matching (By VE3DQK)

COFFEE AND COOKIES

RAG CHEW

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

The December Meeting was our Election Night. The Election was conducted by the Nominating Committee Chairman, K7LRV, assisted by VE3FXG and VE3CGO in a most commendable manner. The elections results are reflected at the top of this page.

The retiring President, VE3GGQ, Ted Duncan, thanked the retiring Executive and the membership for their support during 1968. He also expressed his appreciation to the following individual members for their efforts in 1968:

- (a) Jack Whittingham, VE3YC, for operating the Club SWAP NET and QSL Bureau.
- (b) Doreen Morgan, VE3CGO for operating the Club Monitoring Services and for the management of the POT HOLE NET.
- (c) Ed Morgan, VE3GX for services as Bulletin Editor.

Ted also reviewed the 1968 Club Achievements and Activities as follows:

1968 CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS & ACTIVITIES

- (a) 20 April 68: At the request of the OXFAM Organization, the Club supplied communications for the second Ottawa OXFAM walk for charity. 21,910 walkers commenced the 40 mile journey and 5,100 actually finished. Fourteen 2 meter FM mobiles and twelve 75 meter mobiles participated. Number of transmissions made from NCS VE3CGO 1400-1500 (2 band total) Period of operation: 21 hours and 40 minutes continuous !
- (b) 27 April 68: Sponsored and operated a very successful Spring Auction. An all time record of 495 items were auctioned from 1 PM to 5.30 PM !
- (c) 11 May 68: Supplied communications for the Ottawa Flying Club Air Rally. 8 mobiles plus a control station participated. Period of operation 9.30 AM to 5 PM.
- (d) 2 June 68: Held our first Hidden Transmitter Hunt in four years. VE3DMU Gord was first and found the "bunny" within 55 minutes.
- (e) 16 June 68: Held a Club Family Picnic at Vincent Massey Park. There were races and prizes etc. for the children and even a tug of war between the "DC Banders" and the "VHFer"
- (f) 22/23 June 68: The Club participated in Field Day and came 3rd in the two transmitter class in Canada. The new FD rules made the event much more interesting.
- (g) 11 July 68: Held a very successful Poolside Party for adults at the QTH of VE3YC .
- (h) 12 September 68: Initiated a new Club Public Service Project to assist the National Museum of Science and Technology to obtain equipment and artifacts depicting the evolution of Radio & Communications.
- (i) 15 September 68: Held our second Hidden Transmitter Hunt of the year. Gord VE3GAH came first and found the "bunny" within 27 minutes.
- (j) 22 November 68: 29 persons attended a most enjoyable Club Informal Dinner at the Eastview Hotel.
- (k) 15 December 68: Annual Childrens Christmas Party. A most successful event (see the report elsewhere in bulletin)
- (l) Purchased a 4 Channel FM Base station which will go into service at the Club Monitor Station in the New Year.

REPORT ON THE CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

This popular event was held 15 December 68. 35 adults and 47 children representing 18 families attended. There were presents for each child as well as the ever popular ice cream, sandwiches, milk, cookies and cartoons. A good time was had by children and adults alike. CREDITS: K7LRV for cartoons and projector. VE3CGO for purchase and wrapping of presents and hall rental. Also many thanks to those kind ladies who assisted with the serving and the OMs and XYLs that pitched in to help with the clean-up after the party was over. It takes many hands to lighten the load.

AMATEUR RADIO DEMONSTRATION

The Museum of Science and Technology requested that our Club obtain and operate an amateur radio station on a daily basis from 26 December 68 to 5 January 69 inclusive. This public demonstration of amateur radio was to be part of their special holiday program. A big order for this time of the year when everyone is so busy. Daystrom Ltd, Mississauga, Ontario solved our equipment problem by loaning the Club an SB101 and SB200 Linear complete with all accessories. The Club FD multi-band dipole was erected on the roof of the Museum. The next problem was to obtain operators to man the station every afternoon and some evenings for this long period. Gord VE3DMU managed to locate a number of members ready and able for the task. Gord also requested support from ARRL and they responded with a large and varied quantity of most suitable brochures explaining amateur radio as well as a log book, map, and suitable publications. We were most pleased with the material which is ideal for the job. Our operation to date has been most successful. We have been getting excellent reports from DX as well as W/VE contacts. At the time of writing (1 Jan 69) we still have 4 more days to go. Will give you some facts and figs

in the next issue of the Rambler. In the meantime many thanks for your enthusiastic assistance. We have had TV coverage as well as an accurate report complete with picture in the local paper. I don't think that even VE3CDC can complain about the publicity or information contained therein. Our new Publicity man VE3EMO is doing an excellent job!

CREDITS -PRIZES ELECTION NIGHT MEETING

Our thanks to Wakid Radio and Television for their donation of a Weller soldering gun and to Hammond for the speaker and enclosure. Official letters of thanks have gone out to the donors. Our thanks also to VE3SH for purchasing the many other prizes from Club funds. Everyone attending and then some, got a prize.

IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sympathy to Fred Arseneault VE3FCK and family on the recent passing of his wife Brigitte. Fred was a former member of our Club.

ITS THAT TIME AGAIN

How time doth fly. Our coffers are getting low. It is time to replenish them by payment of your dues. Postage for the Rambler has gone up, everything has gone up but your membership dues. You will find a little bill attached to this issue of the Rambler. If you have paid already, please ignore it. The sooner all the dues are in, the sooner we can get out a new membership roster. If you are unable to attend this meeting or may not make the February meeting, please send in your dues by mail as per the billing. Your promptness would be most appreciated.

IN APPRECIATION

Your editor would like to thank those members who offered encouragement and appreciation in 1968. I would in turn like to thank Doreen, VE3CGO who types the envelopes and acts as proof reader.

CANADIAN AMATEUR RADIO FEDERATION

Several times in the past, your editor hinted that he had a plan which might solve many problems facing CARF. I finally did commit the plan to a paper dated 16 Sep 68 and forwarded copies to persons that I thought would be interested. VE3AHU Art acknowledged receipt with a letter. VE3AML Rowland re-printed it in VE News. I understand that the plan was used as the basis for discussion on the proposed constitution held at the Brantford convention, but have no official confirmation of this. In any event I just wanted to let you know that I did in fact make good an intention expressed several times in the Rambler.

RAMBLINGS

VE3CEZ Lyle and family are on a Christmas/New Years vacation in Florida -...- Congratulations to VE3FRE Jonsey on passing his Advanced test and getting on the air mobile with his HW12 -...- Also congrats to Danny VE3EMO who also mobile with his HW12 -...- Our new Prez VE3DNJ Mike and family are spending Christmas and New Years in B.C. -...- Ron VE3FBT had a Montreal holiday for the same period -...- VE3DQM Bill has almost come to the end of his house alteration project --your editor recently inspected it and was amazed with the extent of the undertaking as well as with the excellence of the workmanship -...- VE3AGU Gerrys XYL recovering from an illness--we all wish you a most speedy recovery -...- Several families in the Club have been suffering with the flu bug -...- W2YYP Gary is now W6JON and has been elected a director of the RAMS (Radio Amateur Mobile Sacramento) We are exchanging bulletins with this very live-wire mobile club and can certainly profit by some of their activities.--I am most impressed by them and have opened a special file for their bulletins and other information ----The RAMS NEWS is the only mobile club bulletin we receive --congrats to you Gary on your new position ---Our loss of a good worker is their gain .-.-.

BEST WISHES

The Executive extend to you and yours, the very best wishes for 1969. As you can see by this bulletin we have had a good active year in 1968. 1969 will mark the 12th anniversary of our Club. Your continued support is an essential ingredient. Be a Booster in 69. Knockers we don't need!