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POT HOLE NET: Official Club NET. Meets every Saturday and Sunday at 10 AM local time on 3760 KHZ. All amateurs are welcome to participate. Membership in the Club is not a requirement.

SWAP NET: The Club Sponsored SWAP NET is conducted by VE3GX every Saturday as part of the Pot Hole Net on 3760 KHZ. This service is also provided to the Capital City Net on 146.940 MHZ FM at 8 PM every Monday. Contact VE3GX by phone or on the air to list items or make enquiries.

MONITORING FACILITY: Sponsored by the Club as a Service to the General Public and to Amateur Radio. SUMMER HOURS-VE3CGO monitors 3760 KHZ SSB and 146.940 MHZ daily from approx 9 AM to 6.30 PM. Call VE3CGO if you need assistance or have traffic. Please repeat her call several times and wait at least one minute for a reply.

NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

PLACE: Vincent Massey Park

TIME & DATE: 7.30 PM Thursday 13 August 1970.

PROGRAM

OUTDOOR INFORMAL EYEBALL GATHERING. Bring along the family. The location is in the parking lot near the refreshment stand. Excellent opportunity to look over the various mobile installations. Rain or Shine. The earlier time is to take advantage of the daylight.

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

The last meeting in keeping with summer tradition was a weiner roast for members and their XYLs/YLs at the summer estate (also winter) of Art VE3CGD and his charming XYL Helen. It was a great success. In fact the attendance was a record 42 lovely people! Several people we havent seen for a long time made a welcome appearance! The eye-ball QSOs were both stimulating and intellectual. We discovered that it was our hostess's birthday and as a result, a remarkable rendition of Happy Birthday burst forth from the multitude. The Club Witch Doctor is to again be congratulated on his wonderous feat. It rained everywhere in Ottawa and vicinity except at VE3CGDs QTH. By popular demand "Chef Lyle," VE3CEZ, fondly called "Chef Boy-ar-dee" by his intimates, approached the two element hibachi with that fierce look of dedication (for which he is famous). He prepared "Weiners a la Ward" which of course were superb! He bowed modestly when the first of many encores were requested, I even saw several on their knees, obviously overcome with emotion! We wish to extend our thanks to Art and Helen for hosting this most successful event. Also to those in the Club responsible for other aspects and arrangements, many thanks.

NEW EXCHANGE BULLETIN

Your editor is pleased to announce that our Club is now exchanging bulletins with the Algoma ARC/The Twin Soo RC located in Soo, Ont and Soo, Mich. respectively. The name of the bulletin is "Soo CQ". We welcome you to our list of exchange clubs.

DOREEN VE3CGO REACHES MILESTONE

20 years ago this month Doreen entered the dingy, dusty attic, complete with pigeons which then served as the DOT examination room in Saint John, N.B. The R.I. was reputed to be the toughest in the maritimes! It was rumoured that he failed his own father 7 times! Despite these odds, Doreen passed with flying colours and became a duly licenced radio amateur with the call sign VE1ABT. She is looking forward to receiving her "Old Timers" Certificate to add to her collection of certificates on the shack wall.

FINAL FIELD DAY RESULTS

After removal of several duplicates we had a total of 848 contacts, 457 on CW and 391 on SSB. Our claimed score is 5118 plus an additional 620 for emergency power, publicity, FD message, QSP of a FD message. We should have a grand total score of 5738. The results have been submitted to ARRL for confirmation. Number of operators participating 18. A very FB effort. Our thanks again to the FD manager Gib, VE3BGX and assistants VE2ZD Hutch, SSB and Mike, VE3DNJ. Of course our Club members deserve a hearty vote of thanks for their support and participation.

THE DEGRADERS OF AMATEUR RADIO ARE ACTIVE AGAIN

The following is the opinion of the editor and does not necessarily reflect the sentiments of the club members: On page 28, issue 3, 1970 copy of The Ontario Amateur, there is a proposal for a Technical Amateur Radio Certificate. An Amateur Radio licence for VHF without a code requirement! The U.S. introduced a Technician Class of similar ilk some time ago to permit the technical electronic geniuses who did not have the necessary co-ordination to pass a regular examination, to operate on the VHF bands. These technical people were to contribute greatly to the VHF state of the art. That was the theory, unfortunately most of them rushed to their nearest Radio Emporium and bought commercial type equipment. The result? A higher grade of CBer was born. Their contribution was only to the coffers of the equipment manufacturers! This was before the advent of 2 meter FM and repeaters. Can you imagine the impact on our present crowded repeaters? Most of them would dash out and buy surplus taxi equipment and have it installed and serviced by the more accomplished.

There is always a movement afoot to undermine and degrade our hobby. Is it commercial interests or a desire from the "something for nothing" group of people who haven't the necessary guts to pass a simple code test? We have one of the most stringent amateur radio examinations in the world. Why degrade it by such a ridiculous proposal? Let Aunt Tilly sister Sue and Momma get a CB Licence if they must get into the act. Let us stamp out this cancer which threatens our hobby! Some of their arguments may seem logical on the surface, but a little consideration will reveal many pitfalls. I am certain that the FCC and ARRL regret the implementation of the Technician Class and that it will be withdrawn in the near future. Let us profit by experience! We don't want lazy people who wish to remove the barrier that separates the "men from the boys". Let us preserve our heritage! Fight this insidious movement and treat it with the contempt and disdain it deserves!

RAMBLINGS

Its vacation time----VE3DNJ Mike and family are off to B.C. for a combined business and pleasure trip ---- VE3LX Gerry and family are enroute to the Maritimes ---- VE3CGO/VE3GX have returned from an Ontario camping trip---- VE3BGX Gib has moved into another QTH in the area and has the same telephone number--the new location is ideal for antennas ---- Bernie our noble President VE3SH has moved into his new QTH a few blocks from the old one--his phone number remains the same and the QRN level is much less---- VE3CEZ, Lyle had his boat and motor stolen while on vacation at his cottage--he recovered the boat in the lake but his brand new motor is missing ---- WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT ? there is a C.B.er located in the east end of the city that has a TV rotator on his ground plane antenna--he must be one of the candidates for a Technician class licence ---- VE3GX/VE3CGO have and SB101 ---- Hutch VE2ZD (ex VE3GFL) now has an HW100 and is active on 20,40, 80 fone and c.w. Project "Get Hutch in Touch" has been successfully concluded ---- VE3DQM, Bill and family have returned from a western vacation ---- VE3GDW, Bill is back from Montreal and recuperating ---- Arlyn VE3AOE has returned from the west from a combined business and pleasure trip with his family ---- Ted VE3GGQ is presently on a camping trip with the family ----

73 & HAPPY MOBILING----DRIVE CAREFULLY AND HAVE A SAFE VACATION

CU AT THE EYEBALL AT VINCENT MASSEY PARK