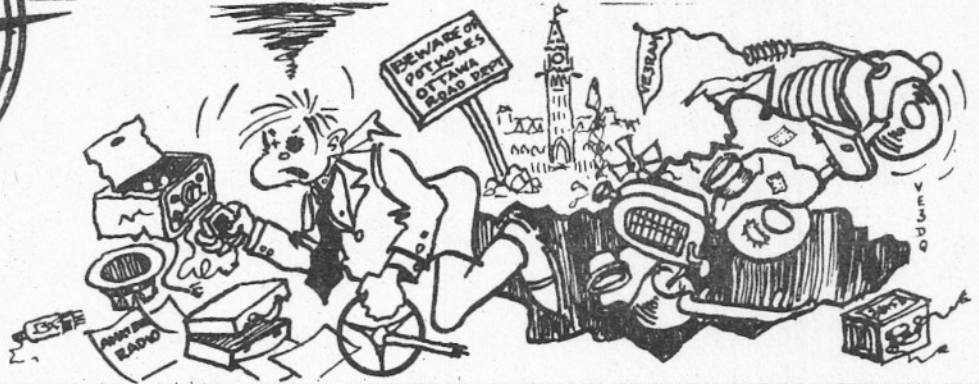




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POT HOLE NET: Official Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club, Incorporated, NET. Meets every Saturday and Sunday at 10 AM local time on 3760 KHZ. All Radio Amateurs are welcome to participate.

POT LID NET: Slow Speed informal C.W. NET. Meets Sunday at 11 AM on 3620 KHZ.

SWAP NET : Conducted by VE3GX every Sunday as part of the POT HOLE NET. Service also provided to the CAPITAL CITY NET on 146.940 MHZ FM every Monday at 8 PM. Contact Ed, VE3GX, 733-1721 to list items or make enquiries.

MONITORING FACILITY: Club Sponsored. Doreen, VE3CGO, monitors 146.940 MHZ FM Monday through Friday from approx 8 AM to 6 PM for traffic or assistance calls.

CLUB AFILIATIONS: R.S.O., A.R.R.L., C.A.R.F.

1974 EXECUTIVE

<u>President:</u>	Bernie Best	VE3SH	745-3151
<u>Vice-President:</u>	Russ Down	VE3EQZ	224-1803
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<u>Secretary:</u>	Marcel Lemay	VE3FNG	737-3933
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NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

PLACE: National Museum of Science & Technology Auditorium
1867 St. Laurent Blvd, Ottawa, Ontario.

TIME & DATE: 8 PM THURSDAY 19 December 1974

PROGRAMME

BUSINESS:

FEATURE: "ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1975 SEASON " conducted by Tony VE3FXG,
Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

FREE PRIZE DRAWS: Don't forget your 1974 membership card which is used for the draws. You have to be at the meeting to win !

" See elsewhere in the bulletin for the slate obtained by the Committee and details of the election and prize draws"

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

Tony, VE3FXG gave an excellent talk on the control of transmit/receive synthesizers. He described an very interesting method using a knob driven disc which is perforated with holes which via LED's and a black box "tunes the synthesizer up and down in frequency. He also described his own method which uses three push-buttons, one for up and the other for down and a fast button when you wish to make large excursions. Of course with either of these systems some sort of digital frequency

readout is required. Many thanks Tony for revealing some of the latest thinking in the digital tuning world.

REPORT ON THE OARC DINNER HELD AT THE EMBASSY WEST HOTEL 15 Nov 74

In addition to club members, members of the Quarter Century Wireless Association were also invited. The event was very well attended indeed. The food was excellent. Bill Porter W3AAC, U.S. Ambassador to Canada was the guest speaker. In deference to the large distaff attendance, this subject was not Amateur Radio. He talked on the "Energy Crisis" and advanced the theory that the world's future energy requirements would be met by the fusion of abundant materials. The U.S. is investigating this avenue with great vigor. Unfortunately Canada does not appear to be participating in the pursuit of this abundant source of energy. Bill also related some of his experiences as part of the U.S. peace negotiating team in Paris. A most thought provoking talk! We are indeed fortunate to have such a distinguished and eloquent personage in the Radio Amateur Ranks. After the banquet there were many eye-ball QSOs and some of the more daring repaired to some of the adjacent night spots to enjoy more stimulating conversations and appropriate libations. A most enjoyable evening! Congratulations to the Ottawa Amateur Radio Club.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1975

The following budget was prepared by the Executive and is based on previous expense experience. The membership will be asked for approval at the meeting.

Rambler paper and printing	\$70.00
Stamped envelopes for Rambler and other Club mail	\$130.00
The Canadian Amateur (CARF Publication)	5.00
Club Licence VE3RAM	10.00
Incorporation	1.00
Club Rig spares	10.00
Coffee expenses	15.00
Field Day	20.00
Election Prizes	35.00
Callbook	12.00
Social expenses	50.00
Past President Certificate	2.00
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Total	\$360.00

CLUB ELECTION

The December meeting is a most important meeting. The Nominating Committee consisting of Tony VE3FXG and George VE3DIH have been working hard and obtained the following slate of officers willing to serve on the 1975 Executive. They will also be responsible for conducting the election. Unfortunately the task of obtaining a slate is indeed a difficult one. It seems that most members are content to let someone else "do it" despite the fact that it means that the same people must serve several times in various capacities over the years. This situation lends credence to a possible criticism that the same people are "running the club". Yes this is true by necessity! It seems that everyone is frightened of the President's office which in actual fact is not all that difficult! Standing up in front of the meeting is not that difficult --- just ensure that your zipper is done up! It is good experience and you soon get over any fear and trepidations that you might have. It is nice to see three of the newer members on the proposed slate. You will notice that the position of Public Relations Co-ordinator is vacant. Again this is a position that most people want to shy away from. You don't have to be a PR man to fill this position, the Executive don't expect one to be a jolly chap with multi connections with the media. The Executive will assist and offer suggestions. No one expects a member of the Executive to carry out the task on his own. They will assist and make suggestions. As a Club member it is your duty to scrutinize the proposed slate and make nominations from the floor at the meeting. However you should consult with the person of your choice to ensure that he or she will be willing to serve. This will ensure an "election". Remember that in accordance with the constitution the President, Vice-President and Technical Adviser must be mobile.

PRIZES

As a reward for membership and to ensure a good turn-out at this meeting, there are free prize draws by virtue of your 1974 membership card. You must be in attendance to participate. Don't forget your card!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE SLATE

President:	Danny Danielson	VE3EMO
Vice-Pres:	Sydney Moorcroft	VE3GVI

NOMINATING COMMITTEE SLATE CONTINUED

Technical Adviser: Tommy Hayes VE3ABC
Public Relations Co-ordinator: Vacant
Treasurer: Ian McMillan VE3FKC
Secretary: Ron North VE3HDO

RAMBLINGS

Russ VE3EQZ recently purchased some teletype equipment ---the family dog exhibiting the usual curiosity managed to ink his nose and make imprints all over the house---Russ is expecting a transfer in the spring --hopefully out west from whence he sprung ! -...- Danny VE3EMO sez that he will accept campaign funds and will never tell --no fear of another Watergate--he will never reveal the source -...- Ex VP9HH Happy Harry is now at Alert for the next six months -...- Heinz VE3GOS is to be congratulated on his recent solo flight and is now practising circuits and bumps alone --Happy Landings and congratulations -...- Tony VE3FXG and Bernie VE3SH have their new home-brew frequency counters working ---hope that at some future meeting they will give a show and tell -...- Best wishes to Bud's XYL who is presently in the hospital ---he finds that wearing the apron and being chief cook and bottle washer a bit heavy -...- Ron VE3HDO is enjoying ten meter openings but is also racking up lots of dx on 15 and 20 c.w.

IN APPRECIATION

As editor of your publication I wish to thank those who have offered me encouragement and expressed appreciation for my efforts since my return to the typewriter. I also want to thank Doreen VE3CGO who types the envelopes and acts as proof-reader. And last but not least Bernie VE3SH who purchases the paper for the Rambler and arranges for the printing.

YOUR 1974 EXECUTIVE

Wish you and yours a Very Merry Christmas and express the hope that health and happiness will follow you in the New Year 1975!

HAPPY COPILING CU AT THE MEETING --DON'T FORGET YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD!
AND A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YOUR EDITOR!