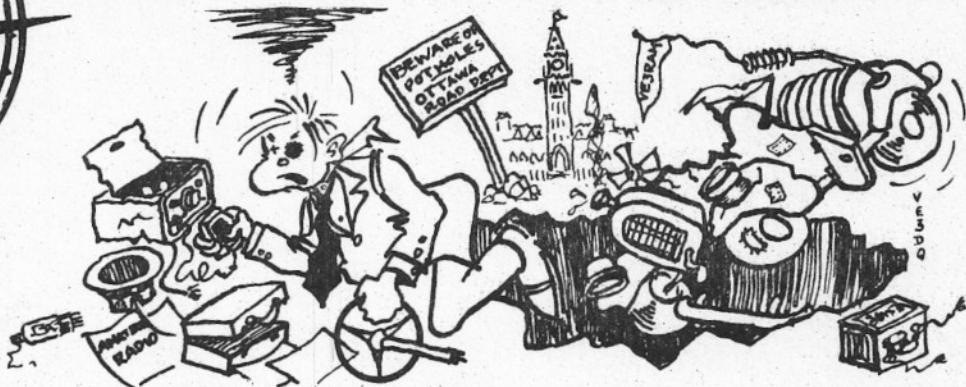




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POT HOLE NET: Official Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club, Incorporated, NET. Meets every Saturday and Sunday at 10 AM local time on 3760 KHZ SSB. All Radio Amateurs are welcome to participate. Membership in the Club is not a requirement.

POT LID NET: Slow speed informal C.W. NET. Meets Sunday at 11 AM local time on 3620 KHZ except during July and August. Designed to foster interest in C.W. and C.W. procedure. Intended for the beginner as well as the Old Timer desirous of keeping his or her "fist in".

SWAP NET: Conducted by VE3GX every Sunday as part of the POT HOLE NET except during July and August. Service also provided to the CAPITAL CITY NET on VE2CRA Repeater 146.34/146.94 FM except during July and August. Contact Ed, VE3GX, 733-1721 to list items or make enquiries.

MONITORING FACILITY: Club Sponsored. Doreen, VE3CGO, monitors VE2CRA Repeater 34/94 FM Monday through Friday from approx. 8 AM to 6 PM. If you have traffic or require assistance call VE3CGO. Repeat her call sign several times and wait at least one minute for a reply.

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

1978 EXECUTIVE

<u>President:</u>	Merv Lemke	VE3CV	839-5577
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<u>Secretary:</u>	George McKenzie	VE3GMI	225-1753
<u>Past President:</u>	Ron North	VE3HDO	733-3684

NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

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

TIME & DATE: 8 PM THURSDAY 19 January 1978

PROGRAM

BUSINESS:

TALK: "PRACTICAL APPROACHES TO AMATEUR RADIO SATELITE COMMUNICATIONS "
 By George Roach VE3BNO and Ray James VE3GUA

COFFEE, COOKIES & EYEBALL QSO

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

The December meeting was election night! The proposed budget for 1978 was reviewed and approved by the membership. Sydney VE3GVI conducted the election assisted by the other two members of the Nominating Committee George VE3GMI and Ian VE3FKC. The new Executive is indicated above. I am sure that the membership will give you their closest support. Many thanks to the Nominating Committee for an excellent job. Merv VE3CV purchased an excellent selection of prizes for the free draw by virtue of 1977 membership cards. Bytown Marine contributed 2 hard cover 1977 ARRL Handbooks. Many thanks to both of you!

Ron North VE3HDO, the retiring President reviewed the Club activities and achievements during his 1977 tenure of office as follows:

1977 CLUB ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS

- 30 April 77: Sponsored and organized the Amateur Radio Spring Auction held at EMO HQ. The most successful auction in terms of Club profit in several years.
- 7 May 77: Provided communications for the Metres(Miles) For Millions Walk. for the 11th consecutive year! \$200,000.00 was raised for charity. 31 Ottawa area Radio Amateurs participated. to provided continuous communications for 16 hrs 30 min
- 18 May 77: Club purchased a 2 meter repeater from VE3ARS, which is operating from a temporary location with the call sign VE3TWO 147.90 input 147.30 output. It is hoped that a suitable location can be found in the near future which will extend the range in the eastern part of the city.
- 25/26 June 77: Club participated in Field Day. Total of 863 contacts for a score of 2,852 We came 3rd in Ontario and 5th in Canada in our 2 transmitter class.
- 18 Nov 77: Held a very successful Club Dinner to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the founding of our Club.
- 26 Nov 77: Club was represented at the Amateur Radio Symposium "Amateur Radio in the 1980's" held in the Conference Center in Ottawa.

General

The following activities are continuous in nature:

Pot Hole Net - Official Club Net held every Saturday and Sunday morning at 10AM local time on 3760 KHZ SSB.

Pot Lid Net - Club sponsored Slow speed CW Net held every Sunday 11AM on 3620 KHZ (except during July and August)

SWAP NET - Club sponsored and conducted every Sunday as part of the Pot Hole Net and every Monday at 8PM as part of the Capital City Net on VE2CRA repeater (except during July and August)

VE3JW - Club Sponsor and operated Amateur Radio Station VE3JW at the National Museum of Science and Technology . Our 4th year of operation in 1978.

Ron VE3HDO thanked the retiring Executive and the membership in general for their support during 1977. The following individual Club members were thanked for their services:

Heinz VE3GOS: For Pot Hole Net Manager Services

Sean VE3HXP: For services as Operator Procurer for VE3JW

Bruce VE3BRS: For services as Operator Procurer for VE3JW

Repeater Committee: Consisting of Cary VE3ARS, Merv VE3CV, Ian VE3FKC for their work in connection with VE3TWO.

Ed VE3GX: For services as Bulletin Editor, Swap Net and Pot Lid Net Manager, coffee maker, maintenance of VE3JW equipment.

Bernie VE3SH: For Rambler Printing Services.

Doreen VE3CGO: For her services as Monitor Station, typing Rambler envelopes, sending out get well and sympathy cards on behalf of the Club, procuring items and assisting with the coffee at meetings.

Merv Lemke VE3CV the new President for 1978 thanked the retiring President and Executive for a very successful and productive year. He congratulated the new members of the Executive on their election to office and requested the continuing support of the membership.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Ian VE3FKC noted that Club operating costs are increasing and that the Club Full and Associate membership dues have remained at \$5.00 for many years despite the fact that salaries have increased in keeping with the cost of living over the same period. He therefore advised that he (or his proxy) intendsto make a motion at the January meeting to amend the constitution to increase the membership dues from \$5.00 per year to \$7.00 per year for FULL, ASSOCIATE and RESTRICTED classes of membership. FAMILY (dependant of member) and DX (former member who has moved away from area) dues to remain \$1.00 and \$2.00 respectively.

Editorial Note: During 1977 the postal rate for mailing the Ramblers went up from 10 to 12¢ and will be going up to 14¢ in March or April. The total increase of 4¢ will add approximately \$36.00 to annual cost of mailing the bulletin! Also we now have a repeater to maintain and operate. We need a duplexer which will cost at least \$600.00 so suggest that we establish a special fund for this. Perhaps potential users would be willing to make a donation to expedite the purchase of one. Maybe someone knows where we could get one at a reduced price, if so please contact our President Merv VE3CV who is also a member of the Repeater Committee. If you know of a nice high location for the repeater, such as on a high rise building, I am sure that the Committee would also be delighted to hear from you.

10th ANNUAL RSO CONVENTION (From the London Amateur Radio Club Inc., Convention Committee) Will be held in the "Forest City" London, Ontario 13,14,15 October 1978. Each week, one of the London Amateurs will be operating as our official Club Station VE3LON/3. By contacting this station and requesting our special QSL, you will not only receive the handsome card, but you also become eligible for ONE DOLLAR Convention Registration fee discount. Details are on each card. By contacting 10 such member stations before September 15th, 1978 expiry date, you also qualify for a special L.A.R.C. Award. Your contacts will be recorded in our computerized log and you will be notified when the required QSO's have been completed.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

I am sure that our new treasurer Stan VE3GYP will be very pleased to take membership renewals at the January meeting. We will be sending out renewal notices with the February and March bulletins so that if you are unable to attend the next few meetings you can complete the form and send it in to the treasurer. Be sure to have your name on the 1978 Membership list which should be out with the April Rambler.

RAMBLINGS

Nice to have Ron VE3FMW calling in from Toronto --like old times hearing you on the Pot Hole Net --...- Russ VE3FSN was out to Winnipeg visting his folks over Xmas --...- Hutch VE3GUJ had his mother, father and sister visiting from N.B. over the holidays --...- Howard VE3VP has moved to Merrickville and called into the Net recently --...- Lloyd Carr VE3FHC is in Egypt for a 6 months tour --...- Ian VE3FKC has his Atlas back on the air --...- Hutch VE3GUJ had a visit to Alert just before Xmas --...-.
The program for the January meeting looks like a dandy and should reveal the practical side of this facet of the hobby !

A VERY HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL !

73 AND HAPPY MOBILING ---CU AT THE MEETING