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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.

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NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

PLACE: IT MIGHT BE A FIELD TRIP SO LISTEN ON POTHOLE & CAPITAL CITY FM NET FOR DETAILS IF THE FIELD TRIP CANNOT BE ARRANGED --THE MEETING WILL BE AT THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AS USUAL

TIME & DATE: 8 PM THURSDAY 21 September 1978

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

The last regular meeting was held 15 June 78. Bernie VE3SH gave a very interesting talk on his home brew tilt-over tower that he fabricated from a Delhi tower and two additional tower sections using a great deal of ingenuity and work. He had slides illustrating the various phases of construction right through to the final testing. I am sure that many of us wish we had a similar type of tower which facilitates adjustments, repair and replacement of beams and rotators without having to climb the tower. Congratulations on an excellent job Bernie and many thanks for the interesting talk!

REPORT ON FIELD DAY 1978

Congratulations to Gord VE3GIN, Chairman of the Field Day, for a very successful event. Special thanks to XYL Donna and daughter Lynda for their hard work in connection with the children's events and BBQ. Thanks also to Merv VE3CV i/c SSB and Rob VE3ACY i/c CW. Heinz VE3GOS was again the workhorse of the FD, loading and transporting the generator, tower, beam and outhouse without assistance. He also worked very hard on the set-up itself. Fortunately he had help loading and unloading after the FD. As usual operators were lacking in numbers but in spite of this fact the following score was achieved:

TOTAL CW CONTACTS: 331, SSB CONTACTS: 415, for a claimed score of 2154 less the points to be added by ARRL for emergency power, publicity and message origination. Rene VE3JKR, Publicity Co-ordinator arranged for a nice write-up in the Ottawa Journal. Doreen VE3CGO weeded out the duplicates, transcribed the call signs of the 746 stations worked and submitted the entry to ARRL. Our entry was acknowledged by an ARRL "National Certificate of Merit. We Also received one last year! Hearty thanks to all participants!

REPORT ON THE CLUB BBQ

The Club BBQ was held 19 Aug at the QTH of Gord VE3GIN. The weather looked somewhat uncertain which probably reduced the attendance somewhat however approximately 26 participated. The rain did come eventually which meant we had to repair to the Rec Room. Hutch (now VE3NG) "Chef Extrordinaire", cooked the hamburgers and hot dogs inside the utility hut located in the back yard amidst smoke and fumes! He will of course receive the usual Club Award and citation given to members that perform meritorious deeds'. Incidentally, Hutch was the chief organizer, logistician and telephoner for the gala affair. We also had delicious corn on the cob cooked to perfection by Donna. A most successful event despite the rain which did not last very long. Many thanks to Hutch, Gord and Donna for a very enjoyable evening!

CLUB REPEATER VE3TWO

It has been in continuous operation for several months now without a failure. Several weeks ago it was moved to the Museum location. The range is limited due to a quirk of the squelch circuit which insists on a virtually noise-free signal before the audio can be passed on to the transmitter. The Repeater Committee consisting of Rob VE3ACY and Russ VE3FSN will be correcting this problem in the near future. With the solid state switching the repeater is absolutely dead silent in operation. This fact plus the duplexer which means that only one antenna is required so that it can be operated anywhere. If you know of anyone that wouldn't mind a 2 meter antenna clamped to their balcony rail and lives in a highrise I am sure the Committee would like to hear from you !

WELCOME ABOARD

A hearty welcome to the following new members: Terry Duncan, VE3KLT, Craig Lester, VE3KMN, and Mike Graham VE3KMG.

RAMBLINGS

Bruce VE3BRS is in hospital as a result of stroke ---Speedy recovery Bruce! -...- Dave VE3IX also was in hospital with a suspected heart attack ---Speedy recovery Dave -...- Hank Harley VE3BR also in hospital with a heart attack --Hank is a former member of our Club-- Speedy recovery Hank -...- Merv VE3CV has a multitude of projects going--a recently completed swimming pool, foundation for a tower, piers for an enclosed sun room--wow! Danny VE3EMO and XYL had a recent trip to Boston to visit an old friend--also recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary ---Congrats -...- Hutch formerly VE3GUJ has joined the ranks of the Instant Old Timers and now sports VE3NG which he finds much easier to send --Its not as bad as it may seem, Hutch has been licenced for almost 20 years! -...- VE3GIN Gord had one of the biggest erections in Ottawa this summer -...- he has a 70' tower with a 204BA full sized 20 meter 4 el beam, a 10 and 15 meter 3 el beam and at the very top a multi element 2 meter beam --- What an inspiring sight to say the least! -...- Russ VE3FSN has moved to a new QTH (just down the hall) He had to have an additional room to house his ever expanding Shack -...- Ron VE3JCM is on course at Kingston until January but will be home most weekends -...- Bernie VE3SH has replaced the arms on his GEM quad --the old ones performed yeoman service for many years -...- Doreen VE3CGO has a new Cushcraft ATB-34 beam Rob VE3ACY recently returned from CT1 land where he operated with his HW8 QRP rig with great success -...- Wayne VE3ICF has moved into a new QTH and now has room for antennas -...- Bill VE3CCT and Merv VE3CV are proud owners of the Yassu 227R synthesized 2 meter xcvs -...- The slow speed Pot Lid Net is back in operation--had a good turn-out on the first net -- if you know of any beginners wanting to join in --pse give them the details--at a later date Fraser VE3JRT will be conducting traffic training sessions for those interested in learning this fascinating aspect of our hobby ---, these sessions will be conducted after the informal portion of the Net --you are invited to participate in either one or both sessions -...-

DONT FORGET TO CHECK THE POTHOLE NET AND CAPITAL CITY FM NET FOR MEETING INFORMATION