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IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

John McCrae

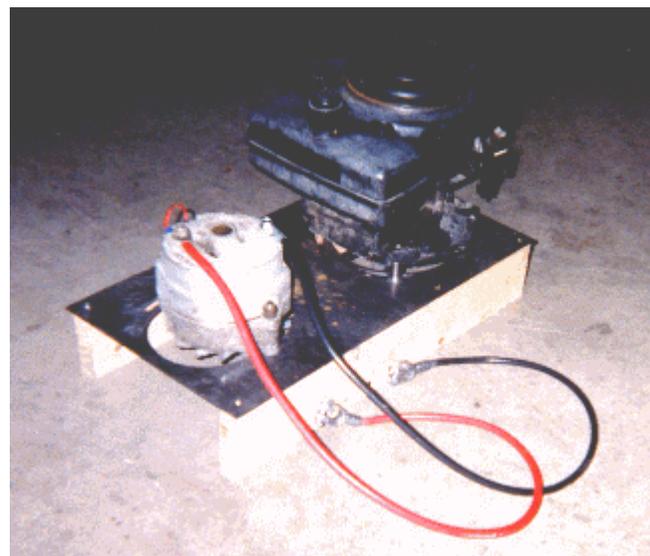


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Emergency Power:

From Howie VE3TYQ:

Home Brew Power!
Building your own generator (on the cheap).



Here's a web page that deserves a read.

<http://theepicenter.com/tipoweek.html>

Howie is suggesting that we get together and build a bunch of these for field day or other uses. Let Howie know if you are interested. If you have parts that you'd like to donate, let Howie know that too.

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Don't forget to renew your Membership.

See Les VE3LTB for details or visit our web page at:

http://www.osha.igs.net/~Isolomon/nsarc/NSARC_Membership_Application.pdf

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The new HF rules:

From Peter VA3PWH:

Thanks to RAC Vice President Regulatory Affairs, Jim Dean, VE3IQ

In response to the RAC Proposal on Morse Code and Related Matters, and in line with the decisions taken at WRC-2003, Industry Canada has removed the Morse Qualification as a mandatory requirement for access to the HF band below 30 MHz. However, qualifying in Morse still remains an option. The passing mark for both the Basic and Advanced Qualification examinations has been raised to 70%. Some other recommendations from the RAC proposal were also implemented. The necessary regulatory changes have been incorporated by revisions to RIC-2 and RIC-3 (see Issues dated July 2005), which govern operations by Canadian radio amateurs. Every amateur should obtain a copy of these RICs from the Industry Canada web site at: http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/epic/internet/insmt-gst.nsf/en/h_sf06073e.html

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From The Chair in the Shack:

As winter gets set to roll in there are several things to report. We'll deal with them one by one and you can begin forming some ideas about what you'd like.

Neither Ken nor I can remember whether we voted on another pot-luck Christmas party so get ready with your opinions for the November meeting and possibly some recipes for the event.

Some news on VA3NSR (443.800+). The good news - it is now in place and working fine. The bad - Yours truly forgot to include the metal roof in pattern calculation so the antenna will likely have to go 10 feet higher in order to cover some areas better.

Some more news: The good news - we're about to dig the hole for the tower at Purple Woods. The bad news - we are depending on your help on November 12, weather permitting. Let's all dig in.

Some bad news that we'll hope we can solve. Roy VE3ESS has decided that he can no longer do the treasurer's job in the way he'd like so think about whom might step in and take the job.

Last, You are reminded that there will be a rare general meeting of ARES on Nov. 12 from 9 to 11 am in the big hall at the Legion. Our local ARES needs a shot in the arm and the meeting will be all about where the future will lead us. It is hoped that all hams are interested in ARES. ARES can be a valuable asset to the individual and the community at large. Since all levels of government are required to consider using our ARES services, it's a good idea to be at the meeting, join in and rally around the cause. This helps us, the community and our neighbours as well. There is a lot to do and many hands make light work. Please be there. Please consider taking on an active role in one job or another. Let's give ourselves the right to brag about our preparedness. Free CDs with lots of good ARES stuff will be given out so that you can find out more about emergencies and hams worldwide.

73 de Pete, VA3PWH

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It's funny how getting hammered by a cold can take the joy out of a lot of things. But I'm looking forward to the coming winter season especially if the maximum usable frequency charts live up to their promises. This could be a great winter for DX.

With so many who have given so much so that we can enjoy all the good things we have makes it all that much sweeter. A special thank-you to all Veterans to whom we own such a great debt.

Your humble scribe.
Ken
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