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## SPARKS - NOVEMBER, 1968.

### Last Meeting:

A representative came from Daystrom who market Heath Kit products, and showed slides of factory operations in Benton Harbour, Michigan. It was quite interesting to see how all the components were assembled and most amazing how all of the bits and pieces ended up in the proper kit.

### Next meeting:

This will be nomination and auction night. This will be your chance to be on or see who will be in the running for the various elected offices in the Club. Don't complain about the way the executive is running the Club six months from now if you weren't at the nomination meeting. You have only yourselves to blame if the Club is not run the way you like it.

Now about the auction - our old friend Ed. Warburton V.E. 3 AZV will be there to start things off, so bring all the gear you don't want and we'll try and sell it for you.

### Tuning Around:

The amateur radio night school is apparently a big success as thirty people have registered. Because of the large turn out there is two classes, Bernie teaches one and Mike Sherba the other. Newcomers are still welcome. This is the best attended Ham Course this area has ever had. The success of this course will force an advanced course next year. It is quite easy to see the mad dash a class makes to obtain an amateur ticket, but the mad dash quickly slows down to a crawl and the advanced tickets are obtained in dribs and drabs.

As you probably know by the time this bulletin reaches you the R.S.O. held its annual convention in Brantford on November 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Several of our Club members Henry VE3QG, Bub VE3BIC, Ken VE3FPP and Doreen VE3FUR were in attendance; I hope one of them will report on the proceedings. According to one newscast on the radio the R.S.O. pressed the D.O.T. about the unjust and ungodly increase in licence fees. The news report went on to tell the listeners that Harry Boyle of the Canadian Radio T. V. Commission could't obtain any valid reason from the D. O. T.

Your Editor unfortunately does not ~~exist~~ belong, along with many others to the R.S.O. What I need is someone who will give me a monthly report on R. S. O. happenings so it can be printed in the bulletin. Here are some events and dates to watch for:-

Nov. 9 - 10, OK CW DX contest.  
" " " R.S.G.B. 40 meter C.W. contest.  
" " " A.R.R.L. Sweepstakes Phone contest.  
" 16 - 18 " " CW "  
" 23 - 24 CQ World Wide DX CW contest.

For more information about these contests check with the November C.O. Magazine.

Also Nov. 23 - 24. This is the second year of competition for the Albert Jensen Memorial Trophy, donated by Jack & Dot Abel in memory of a great amateur. The dates are November 23, 24 and 25, from 00.30 to 00.30 GMT. Trilliums being the host Club, will call CQ TMW, and all others will call CQ TWT. There will follow an exchange of signal reports. name and QTH. Trilliums will give their Club number,

Scoring: CW contacts, 2 points; phone contacts, 1 point. Multipliers, 1.5 for under 150 watts CW or AM, 300 PEP SSB. Each Trillium station may be contacted only once regardless of band or mode. Logs must show GMT, RST, Freq. Mode, call numbers, name and address and claimed score. and be signed. Send logs to

Want a tower? Check with the local cable T. V. V. company, you may be able to get a real buy.

After the success of "Ham Handbook for beginners" Morton Birbeck has written "Ham book for the Advanced" available for \$3.95 plus 15¢ for mailing and handling. If the Club orders a sufficient number there will be a reduction in price. The mailing address is A.R.T.A. Publishing Co; 216, Grand Ravine Drive, Downsview, Ontario.

#### Canadian Amateur Radio Federation News.

The crucial meeting on Licence fees will be held with representatives of the Department and the Minister's Office about the time this Bulletin is mailed. The R. S. O. Brief, calling for abolition of Licence Fees, and a new programme of encouraging the growth of Amateur Radio, will be presented by Jim Strain, VE3BSG, who will represent, as CARF DOT Representative, represent the Amateurs of Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta. The remaining four Provincial organisations have been invited to send representations, and the Canadian Director of ARRL will represent his membership.

#### Report from C.L.A.R.A.

Since opening the Canadian Ladies Association for Membership, we are pleased to report members in every Canadian Call area. Soon we will be publishing our own bulletin - the CLARION - and have plans for nets and certificates.

I would like to remind you that membership is not restricted to licensed YI but to any YI interested in amateur radio.

Our purpose in CLARA - to promote and encourage proficiency and fellowship in amateur radio amongst Canadian women and to further a good relationship between the amateur and the general public.

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Donez, VE6ATH,  
Area Rep. for CLARA.

TNX to "Alberta Amateur",  
Amateur League of Alberta.

Congratulations to Saskatoon A.R.C. VE5AA in the publication of "From Spark to Space" the story of Amateur Radio in Canada, available for \$2.50 from P.O. Box 751, Saskatoon, Sask.

On October 17th, Dot Abel VE3DXZ invited Doreen VE3FUR, myself and eight other of the Trilliums to gather at The Porys of Call in Toronto to meet Sister Mary Cletus W0JIE. Sister Mary who is a member of the International Single Sideband Club, was on holiday and a guest of the Abels; she was a truly delightful person and a pleasure to meet.

After cocktails we ~~enjoyed~~ enjoyed a very exotic oriental meal, which lasted for three hours in the Bali Hi room. I'm sure everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did. Lorna VE3GNO.

Another happening at the R. S. O. Convention was the presentation of \$3000 to the CNIB A.R.C. by Ken Andras. Also, ~~Cliff Marsh~~ Dave Lloyd VE3AW received the Cliff Marsh Memorial as the outstanding ham in Ontario. Dave who is blind led the formation of the CNIB A.R.C. Note the news operating frequencies of WIAW, 20 KHZ up from the bottom of the band 3/60 meter to 2 meter. Example for 80CW 3520I 80 CW 362- KHZ and for phone 3820 KHZ.

President Mike and myself had a long chat on the phone the other evening and several things were discussed, one of which was a Christmas dance and buffet. The executive have done some investigating and have found suitable accommodation for such an event. This idea is subject to approval by the membership of course.

Another thing discussed was the lack of activity in our Club - we have a fairly large Club but not much enthusiasm. Maybe it would help if we had an inter-Club contest of some sort, or a competition for obtaining one of the established awards, such as W.A.S. or W. A. C. Another avenue of interest would be another Club project or bring the 2 meter F.M. craze more into the open.

Some of the older members of the Club are not operational anymore for some reason or other. How about going down into the Shack, blowing the dust away and pounding out a C.Q. These ideas should be discussed further at the meeting.

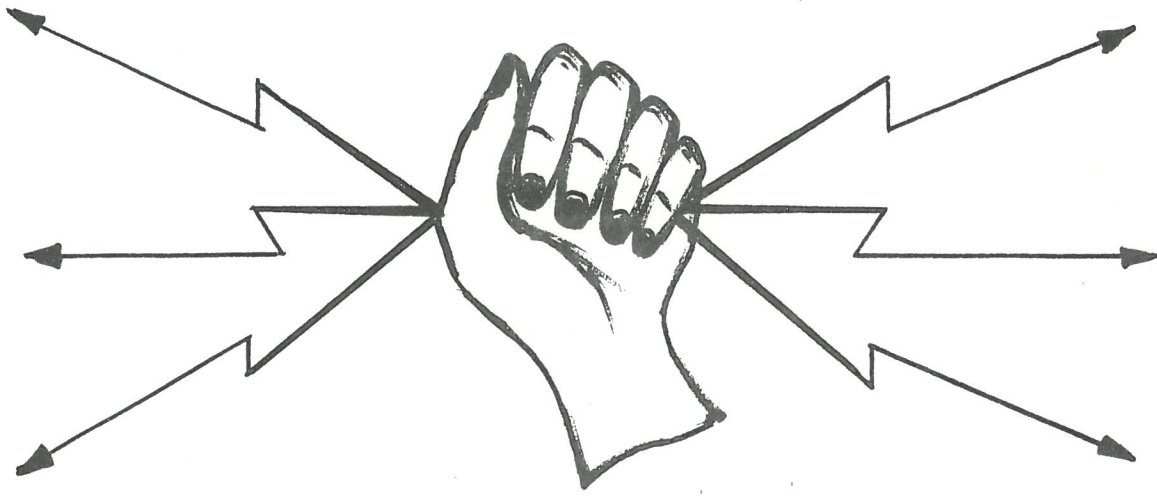
Mike also passed along a bit of information, with the large number of people in the Code and Theory Classes receivers are in demand. Here's a chance to get rid of that old receiver that is overshadowed by your Drake R4B, Collins 7593 or Heath SB301, and give a budding ham a chance to pick up an economical first receiver.

WANTED: H.W.12 or H.W.32,  
Call Ron Wragg, VE3AIY, 723-4925.

FOR SALE: Hallicrafters SX36 Receiver,

Collins            75"        "

plus many other things I hope to reveal at the meeting.



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