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NEXT MEETING

Next meeting John Crook will give a talk on nickel-cadium batteries; their use, price, source, and methods of recharging.

Also Farney LeGresley will talk on RTTY. So, everyone please turn up at the next meeting, I'm sure you will enjoy it.

KEY KLIKS OF KEN

I have been, like most of our members, putting off writing in Sparks with the excuse of what will I say. If you would be writers would simply write on your personal happenings in ham radio I'm sure the others would find it interesting. With this thought in mind I'll commence.

My stay in the hospital has convinced me to start work on some portable equipment. Possibly the direct conversion receiver published in QST may 1969 and a DSB or CW transmitter with solid state. Recently, I tried a converter to work into a standard broadcast FM radio for copying the repeator. It didn't work too well and I wouldn't recommend it.

Another don't, if you intend to make a trap antenna, don't use the 500 pf high voltage capacitors used in TV sets. They look ideal with the screw ends on them for mounting but the capacity is much too high and the resultant Q of the trap is too low to be of any use. I now have to make a new 80-40 antenna system.

Being home during the day for the last few weeks has sure been good for DX. From about 9:00 am untill noon 10 and 15 meters are particularly good. I have no trouble and little QRM working Europe with my relatively low power of 100 watts pep SSB.

So there you have it. Lets hear from some of you.

Ken Aston VE3FPP

FOR SALE

AMECO	trar	smitter	807 final 50 watts\$40
			Ron Wragg 723-4925
2D-10	SSD	adapter	Ralph Day 725-2029

ONTARIO SCIENCE CENTRE

If you wish to go to the Ontario science centre with the club meet at the north-west corner of the Oshawa Shopping Centre, near the service station, at 6:30 PM on Friday April 3. As few cars as possible will be taken.

TUNING AROUND

George Brittain VE3BCQ with the help of a few club members has put up a forty meter dipole. He's having trouble with his apache xmtr. and is confined to low power with his Halicrafters rig.

John Plutster is now set up for 2 meter base; he has also put up 2 ground plane antennas for 2 meters, the antennas withstood the wind test Hi Hi ...

MANITOBA CENTENIAL AWARD

The Manitoba Amateur Radio League have anounced a contest open to amateurs everywhere to commemorate the hundredth birthday of the province which is being celebrated this year.

Certificates will be awarded to all stations submitting proof

of requisite contacts with amateur stations in Manitoba.

RULES;

l all contacts must be made after Dec. 31 1969

2 contestants must accumulate 100 points as explaned below

3 W/K, XE and VE stations recieve 2 points per contact. all others recieve 5 points per contact

4 contacts may be made on different modes on each band

5 a contact consists of an exchange of signal reports 6 a cross-mode contact is not allowed

Each month 2 different members of the ARL of Manitoba will be defignated (bonus hams) Contacts with these hams will count double points.

QSL cards are not required, a log book copy will be accepted (GMT time). Send it and 2 IRC coupons to:

> Mr. J.N. Knowles, YE4JK PO box 365 Carman Manitoba, Canada

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Above is the great circle bearing chart of the world with Oshawa as center. The zero reference point is a straight line drawn from Oshawa thru the true north pole. Set your rotor pointer to the number of degrees indicated on the chart and your beam should be pointing in the right direction.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Who says that the ham spirit is dead in your club? Well, its not. People like Ray, VE3DEN, Bob, VE3ADJ and a few others have been listening to the JA's on 40 meters in the early morning hours. On Friday, March 27th, Ray and Bob were on the air at 4:30 a.m. trying to work the Pacific area. Whether they worked them or not is not important; it is the fact that they had enough enthusiasm to arise at such an hour to go on the air.

If you don't feel inclined to arise at such an hour why not show your enthusiasm by coming to the N.S.R.C "Spring Fling" on May 2nd at the 429 Wing building at the Oshawa airport. There are only enough tickets for 65 couples so get yours now and avoid the fate of being left out.

QSL Bureau Expands

Have you been wondering who holds all those precious DX cards that you have been wating for? To speed up processing and delivery an increase in Bereau's staff has been anounced. VE3 Qsl manager Russ Buckley, VE3UW, 20 almonte road, downsview.

2letter calls:

Mr. Christianson 38 Fallingdale Cres. Downsview

A-B calls (3letter)

Orb Anderson, VE3AEJ 102 Church AV. Willowdale

C-D calls (3 letter)

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124 Gilley Road
Downsview

E-F calls (3 letter)

Ed Hartlin, VE3FXZ 17B william-baker park Downsview

G-Z calls (3 letter)

Wain Trotter VE3GUM
38 Ash mount Cres.
Weston

Please do not forget to forward S.A.S.E. to your particular manager.

Call letter licence plates

Available now from the RSO are call licence plates; \$1.50 each send to:

RSO

Box 334 Toronto 550

*plates will be mailed first class mail.

The DX Scene

Qsl through W5NOP

USSR (UK9AAN)......14.170...22;45
(UAOSH)......14.190..02:17
(UWOIJ)......14.195...02:57

Qsl Box 88 Moscow *all frequencies and times are approximate

DANCE

The club dance will be held on May 2 at the Oshawa Airport, building #10, the 420 wing club, from 8:30 untill 1:00. Tickets are available now. The price, only \$2.00 each.

HOME BREW NIGHT

This november the club will have what it hasn't had in a long time-a home brew night. So, plug in the soldering iron and get working.

FOR sale

VI3RPT

It seems to me that very few people know how to get on the air through VE3RPT, this is how:

Normally ,VE3RPT is shut down, to get it on sign your call on 146.46 Mhz., the input channel. Once the repeator detects audio it will automatically come on 30 seconds later on 146.94 Mhz. and sign it's call. Then sign your call before the tail drops. This gets your call out on the calling channel Conce the tail drops, the repeator switches to channel M, 146.06 Mhz. signs again and then you sign again. From this point on, you talk back and forth normally leaving breaks between transmissions for others to call in. After 5 minutes of non use the reppeator will sign off.

Editors remarks

Do you use the bulletin to the fullest extent that you could? No article is too small to put in the FOR SALE part of the bulletin. Articles seem to be confined to larger expensive items such as receivers transmitters etc., it need not be so. YOU pay for the bulletin, USE