

NORTH SHORE RADIO CLUB

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Dear Editor:

A few years ago my husband used to play a lot of cards. He was gone five nights a week. The only time I saw him was when he'd have the card game at our house. I got fed up making sandwiches, emptying ashtrays and cutting my way through cigar smoke. One day a friend told me how she cured her husband of the same thing. She got him interested in a ham radio.

This is not a cheap hobby, but I decided it was worth it. I bought him a set as a surprise birthday gift. Within weeks he gave up the cards to stay home and ham it up. Now he has started a short-wave romance with some woman who lives in San Antonio, Texas. She has a voice like lady Bird Johnson. Their three hour conversations are making me sick. Harry rushes home from work, bolts his dinner and makes a beeline for the radio.

Last week he couldn't contact the lady for three days and he was a wreck. When he finally reached her she explained she'd been out of town. He scolded her for not letting him know she was leaving... said he was "worried sick". The whole thing was so cozy I felt like belting him one. Furthermore, this ham thing is interfering with our sex life because Harry stays up until 2:00 a.m. most nights. (I think she does it on purpose.)

Now I wish he were back playing cards. What should I do?

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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

I feel sorry for the member that missed last meeting. A very full night and an excellent demonstration of home brew counter by Farney BHQ and the new Heath counter assembled by Harry WQ. Jack DEK topped the evening off with slides of Field Day, past banquets and dances and home stations.

By the time this reaches you our Spring Fling will be over and done. Better come to the meeting and hear the post mortem.

Here is a gimmick I stumbled on. All of us at some time or other need to unsolder a connection. This is fine if you own a relatively expensive desoldering tool. For occasional use get a piece of plastic tubing about 12" long. Insulation stripped off #14 wire is good. Then heat the joint to unsolder, place one end of tubing in your mouth and suck the molten solder from the joint with the other end. Solder will only travel about 1/2" into the tube before freezing and the joint is virtually clean of solder. I use this method on circuit boards, tube terminals and such.

Ken,

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CW "NET TRAINING" NET

H. Shepherd, VE3DV, SCM Ontario, is attempting to get a Training Net started to get more Amateurs qualified for CW traffic nets. It is something that you can work on right from your own shack, and the code speed is to be kept to a maximum of 12 w.p.m.

It is to be a short duration Training Net to operate in the CW mode at a clear spot around 3.700 MHZ (so the 'phone man won't have to lengthen his present 75 M antenna) Monday through Friday for three months.

It is hoped that the successful candidates would be fully qualified to seek an Official Relay Station appointment.

Each participant would be required to have a copy of the Radio Amateur's Operating Manual (\$1.25 from ARRL Headquarters or from your local bookstore) as the syllabus will be based on chapters 2 through 7 of that book.

Each amateur enrolling in the course will receive full details of the course etc by separate letter.

Write - H. Shepherd, VE3DV
SCM Ontario,
3016 Cowan Crescent,
Ottawa, Ontario

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1971 R.S.O. CONVENTION

The Guelph Amateur Radio Club will be hosting the Radio Society of Ontario 1971 Convention.

The Convention dates are Friday, Oct. 22 and Sat. Oct. 23, 1971. It is to be held at the Holiday Inn, Hespeler, located at the junction of Highway 401 and 24 North.

This year's convention committee is striving to put more emphasis on the XYL and YL's program than at previous conventions with a Floral Arrangement Demonstration and a Fashion Show. There will be a ladies hospitality suite (where coffee will be served throughout the convention) and where they can freshen up before the banquet. In addition, there will be a variety of prizes which the ladies can win. A hospitality suite has been set aside for the "White Caners" where they may rest awhile and have an "eyeball" QSO with friends.

Preregistration for the convention for the OM is \$4.50, for the ladies \$3.50 and any student \$2.50.

Convention address: P. O. Box 342, Guelph.

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CODE PRACTICE

Nortown Amateur Radio Club is now putting code practice on the air.

Transmission takes place on 3.590 MHz starting at 2000 hrs. EDT every Tuesday and Thursday. Speeds are presently 5, 10, 15 and 20 w.p.m. in that order. The preamble, sent at 10 w.p.m. consists of three sets of the following:

TEST, TEST, TEST DE VE3NAR/VE3GUS (or the originating station)

Then follows a "blurb" explaining the transmission, time, frequency, and origin of the copy for the night. The practice then commences and afterwards the station stands by for any calls.

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COLOR TV KIT CAME IN PAINT CAN

The Ontario government's consumer protection bureau recently received a complaint from a man who paid \$15 for a kit to convert his black and white television set to color.

The kit, which had been advised in a U.S. magazine, consisted of a paint brush and a can of paint.

There was no money-back guarantee.

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TORONTO REGIONAL AMATEUR RADIO COUNCIL

Just another one of those many councils that exist in the Toronto area? This one has a different approach. In a few simple words it was organized to help out any clubs that are located in the Toronto region. This assistance can come in many different ways. It seems that clubs have their biggest difficulty in organizing good programs for their monthly meetings. By meeting every month the council can discuss and recommend a good speaker, film, a new or novel approach to an idea. In other words ideas can be shared among its members. If an important speaker is invited to the metro area, an invitation will be made to its member clubs, therefore enabling any members from the clubs to attend. The council by means of discussion hopes to eliminate conflicting evenings for guest speakers. In other words no two important guest speakers scheduled for the same evening.

Whenever a member club requires assistance in the presentation of amateur radio to the public, an appeal will be made to the members of the council who further will appeal to their clubs. The personal approach in asking is usually a good one. One example given was the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto.

Other topics of discussion were the awards offered by other clubs, F.C.C. allotment of new phone bands, etc.

It is hoped that members of the individual clubs will submit ideas, opinions to the representatives of the council. Your council members are Ken Aston, VE3FPP and Ray Plante, VE3DEN

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HIGH PASS FILTERS AVAILABLE

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Where to Write</u>	<u>What Filter Supplied</u>
Heath	Benton Harbor, Mich. 49022	1. Drake TV-300-HP or 2. reimbursement for locally-procured filter, upon receipt of invoice
RCA Sales Corp.	600 North Sherman Dr., Indianapolis, In. 46201	Drake
Zenith	Customer Department Zenith Sales Co., 5801 W. Dickens, Chicago, Ill. 30639	Zenith Part No. S58500 (TV) S58510 (FM)
Sylvania	Customer Service Sylvania Entertainment Products Group 700 Ellicott St., Batavia, N.Y. 14020	Drake 300

NOTE: Whenever writing to a TV set manufacturer about a TVI problem, supply complete details, including model & serial # of TV set, name and address of owner, name and address and call letters of amateur involved and particulars on the interference problem (channels affected, freq. of amateur transmitter, sound or

TVI continued -

picture affected, distance between TV set and transmitter).

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ELECTRIC MOTOR INTERFERENCE

Most of the newer motor powered appliances have built-in noise suppression devices but many older units do not. Series or universal motors are usually used in small household appliances such as electric razors, vacuum cleaners and food mixers. Induction motors are used in larger equipment: refrigerators, washing machines, ventilating fans, etc. Induction motors with split-phase starting have no commutators and are not noise makers unless they are exceptionally dirty. However, many motors use a commutator for starting only, so radio interference is only caused for a few seconds.

To eliminate radio noise from a commutator-type motor, have the commutator turned down on a lathe, re-seat the brushes, install a well-grounded filter as close to the motor as possible, and keep the commutator scrupulously clean. However, it's usually difficult to keep commutators in series motors in good condition because of their small size, so some sparking will inevitably result.

The most effective radio-interference filter is a large capacitor installed as close as possible to the noise source.

Farney, VE3BHQ

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FOR SALE:

Motorola 41V-FM Transmitter receiver with OSH crystals,
12 v. vibrator supply. \$50.00
Phone Jack Snider, VE3ABV 725-0159

HW-16 Transceiver, speaker and earphones and two crystals.
All for \$100.00. Used only three months. Contact Ray Plante,
VE3DEN, 576-1449

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CHANGE OF MEETING NIGHT, THIS MONTH
ONLY, TO WED. MAY 12/71. DUE TO A
MISUNDERSTANDING.