SPARKS SPARKS SPARKS

NORTH SHORE RADIO CLUB Box 171 OSHAWA Ontario

EXECUTIVE & OFFICERS 1976

PRESIDENT	Vic Baker	VE3ANX	7	723-7474
VICE-PRES.	Ralph Day	VE3CRK		576-8738
SECRETARY	Ed. Swynar	VE3CUI		725-8714
TREASURER	Steve Wotton	VE3CFG		725-4197
REGISTRAR	John Pluister	VE3FGL		655-4269
GET WELL CARDS	Ted Brant	VE3ADD		668-3561
EDITOR	Bernie Sandbrook	VE3ATI		655-4156

September 1976

NEXT MEETING Tuesday September 14 8.00 p.m. DURHAM COLLEGE

We don't have any information as to the type of meeting this will be, but come along and bring an interested friend if you have one. (No, not girls, Gary!)

THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS!

I have 3 items left from Bill's (BRT) estate.

Archer Field	Strength	Meter	r7SWR	bridge				\$15.00
24 Hour Digita								15.00
Micronta VOM	-	-	•		-	٠,	* 1 :	20.00
40 foot TV to	wan atil	ctor	nding					

Anyone fro a HORSE BACK RALLY? Be sure to wear rubber boots. Seriously, we have had a request to supply Communications for a Cross Country, which in actual fact, is a circular course $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 miles; location is the treed area north of Rossland Park in Oshawa, about 6 mobiles requested. Date is Sunday, September 26 from about 9 a.m. to 4.p.m. Anyone interested in participating or needing info or more details can get in touch - note 3EPY. Good publicity here Gary:

The posters that Jack 3SJ produced and which we placed around town have produced good results - a total of 7 calls from would-be hams, interested in whether or not there will be Code & Theory classes this winter have been received by myself so far. There may be others which I don't know about.

We should have a discussion on the New Licensing proposals at this meeting and get the feeling of the membership so bring along your PROS & CONS.

BITS N PIECES

Well, like yourself, we haven't been thinking about ham radio quite as much during the summer as we might during the fall and winter season but in a few months or so we will be thinking about fixing the antenna system or erecting a new one. This work is usually not done in warm weather any more than fixin the repeater. Well, Harry, 3QG has a new 48 foot Rohn fold-over tower sticking up in his yard and a new Hy-Gain Quad will be roosting up on top all ready for the winter DX season. It looks so good that there may be another one or two like it so the non-climbers can fix up their own beams. Harry thinks that this will be at least as good as the bi-directional fixed vertical beam in back.

Transmitting a mighty 10 watts or so from a hidden location somewhere near Oshawa, Eric, 3HMG has lured the unwary to the country back roads in search of the hidden transmitter. On at least two occasions we have been provided with sustenance when we got there and if we got lost, he helped us to find him. His own brand of local corn (the real stuff you eat) was simmering in a huge pot and so was the coffee. On one memorable occasion, Bob, 3HNH found his car up to the rocker panels with mud on the 'unused' portion of the eastern townline of Oshawa. Since a horse wasn't nearby, a few of the hunters zipped over to the site (by the way, Diane was driving) and prepared to hoist Bob out but a couple of local characters turned up and guaranteed that there was nothing that they could not pull out of the mud and since the horse or tractor did not turn up, he let them do their stuff. Logs, the jack, old seats etc. were pressed into service and sho-nuff out came the big car.

The solid state tx and rx pairs have been working fairly well at the repeater site but a few bugs developed and Harry, 3QG did a bit of checking and corrected some of the faults. Mike, 3FIV went to Denmark and was not available for consultation for a month or so. Harry took the duplexer out to Sinclair and had it checked over and it was declared healthy and was back in service the day after.

Farny, 3BHQ has been cruising all over the place in the big boat and was heard from the region of Cape Hatters. On one trip back from across Lake Ontario, a storm came up and Farny and a few other boats were stranded out somewhere in the lake in fog. All returned safely and even the GRS was called into service for communications.

Ed. 3AZV has been out to Winnipeg recently and is due to go over to Englandfor a vacation. That's not from work but from his busy retirement schedule. The trip to Winnipeg was to a convention of rock-hounds and Ed says there was a lot of Opal floating around there. His interest is chiefly around this mineral and you may notice him wearing some pieces of jewellry which he produced himself.

RSO CONVENTION

The 1976 RSO Convention will be hosted by the Society at the Don Valley Holiday Inn, Toronto, October 22, 23 and 24. If you plan to attend the banquet it is necessary to have tickets in advance and it would be a good idea to write to the Society right away if you are interested. Info may be obtained from controllers on ONTARS net which runs from 7.00 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily on 3755 Khz. Mailing address is P.O. Box 334, Toronto, Ontario M8Z 5P7.

CORDUROY ENDURO 1976 Sept. 11, 12

By the time this bulletin reaches you the Enduro will be all over but it will be similar to last year and this is about the 23 or 24th year for this event which pits man and motorcycle against the elements, through the bush etc. VE3HMG, CRK, AQV and ATI are going to help provide communications for this event along with others from the Toronot and possibly Ottawa areas. Mike, 3FIV was unable to make it due to other committments. Ken, 3FPP will also be in on the fun of course, as he did last year and there may be others from the Oshawa area.

HAM LICENCE PLATES

We have seen a few plates recently in the area and they look nice and give the car a personality. Amongthose noticed are QG, RP, HNH, ATI, AIY. If you need information on how to obtain them and want to know the proper way to get them quickly, askone of the above. FIV is another one and we have probably missed several including SJ.