

GROUNDWAVE

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Meeting;

Time: Wednesday 2 March, 1955, 2000 hrs.

Place: St Patricks College, Echo Drive, Room 208.

Program: The Giant Spring Auction .

Our auctions in the past have been memorable affairs. The are now a part of our regular program skedule. Each time we try to make it a little better and bigger. This month will be no exception. Hams have been cleaning out attics, basements, shacks, and garages for months in preparation. We just hope that we will be able to get thru the pile before curfew. We've already seen some of the stuff and it looks good. Rules are as before: we auction it and take ten percent for the club. Bring some of that not-needed stuff -- it doesn't have to be radio gear: fishing rods, broken skis, old bicycles, books-- except those 'banned in Quebec' publications -- anything at all. Remember that kitchen clock in operating condition for a half buck? See you there behind the junk.

SILENT KEYS

Early this year Romeo Vachon, VE3OW, passed away after a long illness. Romeo was well knon in the city as a member of the Air Transport Board. He was an active member of the club untill a couple of years ago. Our sympathies to his family.

On Tuesday 1 February 1955 we lost a good friend and longtime club member in Arthur M. Ford, VE3AP. Art passed away very suddenly leaving his wife Phyllis and sons Donnie and Clare. Art's ham days started away back in the west where he had a VE4 call. He was very active on 20 meter fone and cw and had friends all across the country. He had been employed for the past number of years with the Department of Transport. In 1950 Art was Secretary of the club and was always to be found when Field Day came around.

January Meeting

This meeting was delayed to the middle of the month to give George Davis, VE3BBW, time to arrange his pictures etc. that he took in Korea. As a combined meeting and social gathering it was acclaimed a success. George gave a very interesting description of Korea and some of the customs there and backed it up with maps and motion pictures which he took himself. As an encore he had a film that he took on a leave in Japan. This was followed by coffee and sandwiches (sandwiches provided by the MYL's bridge club). This will be George's last appearance at our club for a while since he has been posted to Nova Scotia. We wish him well at his new QTH and hope we will see him soon again.

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Feb. Meeting

A small attendance was registered at the last meeting to hear Bob Armstrong demonstrate some of the new Heathkits. He had a grid-dip meter, Q-meter, and a receiver there. He explained how with the very complete instructions which come with these kits it is easy to put them together and make them work. Our thanks to Bob, 3RF, for going to this effort just after moving into a new house.

AREC -Ski Patrol

The Ski Patrol Radio System got into gear on the first Sunday in January and has been operating every Sunday since. The main station at Old Chelsea has had an increase in power which gives solid coverage in the patrol area. The Camp Fortune station is still the 3BBW #1 rig. An addition this year is a mobile unit in the ambulance. 3DY's mobile has been used here and a demountable antenna has been fitted to a bracket on the port side. Coverage has been excellent and contact can be maintained at all times with the main station. The operators this year who have done their part to further the cause of HAMRADIO are: Henry, 3BCU; Wally, 3LX; Eric, 3CEM; Mike, 3DNJ; Bob, 3CRH; Ken, 3CCV; & Gord, 3DY.

VHF News

Activity on the Tuesday night sessions on 50.4 mcs has dropped off a bit of late. But Sunday mornings have boomed until the QRM between 10.00 and 13.00 hrs is something to hear. Seems like everyone likes to get on then. Calls heard last Sunday included VE3s PL, OJ, AGU, LX, DY, BCU, DNJ, CMO, CDG, AXL. The last two are newcomers to six meters. Stan, 3AXL has been on for a few weeks now and Bob, 3CDG, has been on about a week. Nothing has been formalized yet but there have been suggestions of holding net meetings on Sunday mornings. If you like the idea mention it to Gerry, 3AGU at the next meeting.

BANQUET

Yes it is planned. Friday evening, April 15, is the date. Experimental Farm cafeteria is the place. Meeting time is 18.30 hrs. An interesting speaker and program has been planned and we know you'll have a good time. Tickets will be available at the next meeting from the Treasurer for \$1.50. There's lots of time to get a baby sitter so lets make it a bang-up night.

ARCOVERS

Don't forget that the GE Ham News doesn't come for free any more ---- the MYL's bridge club is still going strong and our hats off to them for organizing the wonderful eats at the January meeting---- a hearty welcome to two new members: Ken Willing, 3CCV and John Draper, 3BOC. ---- a note re operating mobile in the USA (seen in the Brandon "SPARKS") the forms can be obtained from the DOT. They have a small stock on hand and it saves a lot of delay.---- Loris, 3PL, is playing around on 235 mcs---- the Quinte club have learned how to quell hot debates at their meetings: they meet in a fire hall! ----

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Puzzling Bizzness

Maybe you like crosswords and maybe you don't. Anyway we have two here as an extra this month. The first is courtesy of QST and W2VMX. It came to us in a CD bulletin so we pass it along to you. The other is our own brew made up in a weak moment. For every correct answer to this one that is handed in at the next meeting we will refund the 10% we normally would exact from that person's auction earnings. The judge's decision will be final. Everyone except the Editor will be eligible (only he knows the answer)! Crazy isn't it? Well we all have to go sometime. Have fun.

Across

1. Electrical balance device.
5. Never go behind panels with power --
6. Best method of passing traffic.
9. ARRL CD appointment
11. Approval agency for electrical equipment.
12. The typical novice is a ----.
14. European prefix.
15. Full members of ARRL.
18. Important characteristic of C.W. stations.
19. Method of matching frequencies.
21. W. or K.
22. V.h.f. propagation method.
23. Prefix in Africa.

Down.

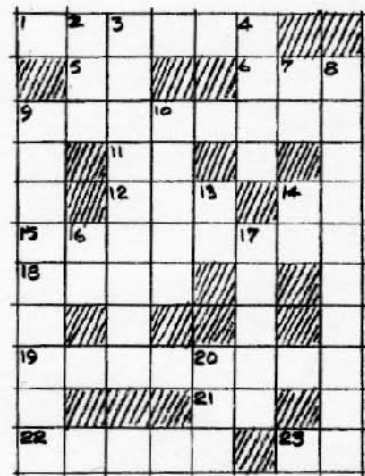
2. Favorite trick of DX hogs.
3. One use of air.
4. What happens when someone snags AC4NC.
7. Some hams hold this college degree.
8. New components for rigs.
9. ARRL promotes ---- ham radio.
10. How a WN feels when his CQ is answered.
13. From.
14. Power supplies can be dangerous on -- off.

Across

1. A wave component.
4. before transmitting always -----.
7. A young squirt's leer.
9. Crystal.
12. Transmission line.
13. South American prefix.
14. Andora
15. Audio unit.
16. Field day item.
17. Coil and condenser combination.

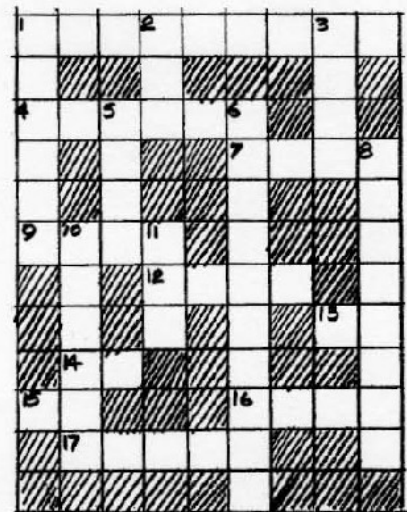
Down

1. Every rig has one.
2. Well known technical journal.
3. Often bootlegged.
5. Akin to timing.
6. Prefix LA
10. End result-sometimes.
11. Kilocycles.
16. Type of receiver.
8. Most tubes have these.



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16. WØ state.
17. ARRL --- all active amateurs to become memt
20. Ground wire.



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