

GROUNDWAVE

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MEETING

Time: Wednesday 4 Nov. 1964, 2000 hrs.

Place: NRC Sussex St., Room 3001.

Program: Film: Understanding Standing Waves, Bell Tel. Co.,
Loading a 40-foot Tower on 40 and 80 by Ken Watkins, VE3CAL.
Business
Ragchew and coffee.

This film should be of the same high calibre as all Bell films and will have a message for both young and old. A quick look at the appropriate chapters in the Handbook might make the story a bit clearer.

A practical application of the taming of standing waves in the matter of loading a 40 ft vertical mast will be given by Ken Watkins, VE3CAL. Ken loads his mast on 40 and 80 with a nearly 1:1 SWR. He will tell us of some of the tricks in doing this.

Business will not be long and meeting will close at 2200 hrs.

OCTOBER MEETING

This report is usually for those who weren't there. But this time we have very little need for it since almost everyone was there. By 2100 hrs there was standing room only. The array of gear that covered the front table was a sight to behold. The ragchewing went on for quite a long while after the formal meeting had ended. Better come early to ensure a seat.

BEGINNERS CLASS

There are thirty registered in the class now. There has been one drop-out because of a change of job and two have been encouraged to try for their ticket. Volunteers for code practice who so indicated at the last meeting will be called on throughout the year to take the load off the regular instructors, Burt Coy and Jim Strain. Class members are reminded of the CW practice that is available from VE3WSB on Fridays, 1900hrs on 3690 kcs and 2000 hrs on 7150 kc. Sending speed is 5 words per min. The WLAW schedules are daily at 2330 and 0130 GMT. The 2330 sked is a new one this year and is at 10, 13 and 15 wpm daily. The other skeds, at 0130 GMT (2030 EST) are divided thru the week between the slow speed and the high speed. See the complete details under the Operating News section of any copy of QST.

AUCTION -- PART TWO!

Date of the next auction is 14 Nov. at the GEM store as before. Doors will be open at 0930 hrs and auction will start at 1300 hrs. Auction will end at 1700 hrs whether we sell everything or not. All parts and equipment that were numbered at the last auction after number 286 may be brought in again and they will be auctioned starting at that number. This gives a priority to all who brought stuff but had to take it home again. New items will be numbered starting at 500. Please do not bring back anything that was sold at the last one!

At the last Auction a Commander Receiver was donated to the club by an unknown doner. If anyone knows who it was we would like to get in touch with him to thank him. Come and bring a friend. There's lots of room.

MAILBAG

The following letter was received which gave us much pleasure and we reprint in full.

President, Ottawa Amateur Radio Club;

At the conclusion of the 7th Jamboree-on-the-Air, I write to express my appreciation to you and all members of the Ottawa Amateur Radio Club for their generosity in giving up their free time to come and operate our station VE3WSB. I understand the whole operation was extremely successful and it was, of course, entirely due to the cooperation of your members.

I would, therefore, be most grateful if you would let them know how much I appreciate their efforts.

sig: D. C. Spry, Director, W. S. B.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

The club offer for the GR-10 receivers was accepted by CADC and 13 lucky buyers are busy trying to improve on the equipment. Circuit diagrams and booklets were provided by the club and our Tech. Advisor, John Hart, VE3CDI, is rapidly becoming the world's leading expert on these units (by request).

We have a paid-up membership of 102 at the last count. However, with over 300 licenced amateurs in the Ottawa area, it is suggested that each of us attempt to bring in one new member. The club treasury can always use the cash, but much more important is the influence that 200 or more amateurs can bring to bear on matters affecting Amateur Radio. The proposed visit of Noel Eaton, VE3CJ, (see details p) will be an opportunity for expressing views on several matters. You will have no complaint that your views are not known if you do not attend.

ADS: FOR SALE

40 watts, 829-B, modulator and power supply for 144mcs; receiver is converted 522, see Stan White, VE3FKD, 733-9219.

WANTED: 6SB7Y, replacement for 6SA7; Steve Chisholm, VE3ATU, 828-1635.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting and dinner has been arranged for Monday 30 November in the Cafeteria of NRC at Sussex St. Building. We will have Noel Eaton, VE3CJ, ARRL Canadian General Manager, Colin Dumbrille, VE3BK, Assistant Can. Gen. Manager, and maybe Alex Rein, VE2BE, V-P ARRL as guests. The arrangements are for the dinner to be from 1830 to 1945 hrs at which time one of the guests will speak briefly, and then to adjourn upstairs to the main auditorium, which is larger than our regular meeting room, for general discussion. Anyone who cannot attend the dinner is free to attend this session. One of the topics to be discussed is the current feeling about a novice licence in Canada. 3CJ will probably bring us up to date on any proposals to amend the Canadian Amateur Regulations as well. This will be your opportunity to express your views on these matters. We must know how many will attend the dinner and dinner tickets will be available at the 4 Nov. meeting at \$ 2.50 each. Please inform all your Amateur acquaintances about this meeting. Remember the time: 2000 hrs, Monday 30 November, 1964.

SURPLUS NEWS FLASH

We have word that there are a number of surplus transceivers to be on the market soon. As we go to press we have no more details on them, however as soon as the bulletin is received, a competent Club Executive member will inspect them and if possible have full information available at the November meeting.