

FEB 48

QUINTE QRM

EDITORIAL

Well gang, this is the second issue of "QRM" and we wish to keep it improving. Here is how YOU can help. The various columns are in charge of the members noted and if you have any 'dope' which you consider of 'club wide' interest hand (or mail) it to the one in charge of the particular subject. They have all done a W.B. job for this issue so I'll QRM and see if you agree.

J/W. -3ADJ.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Be sure to attend the coming meeting of the "Quinte Amateur Radio Club" to be held Feb. 11th. We are very fortunate in having been able to secure "Bill" Chout of the Canadian Westinghouse as guest speaker. His topic, covers an important phase of radio. He will speak on "Model Engineering Including Radio Control", and will be illustrated with coloured films. On display will be remote control equipment, including a model radio controlled boat having amazing manoeuvrability powers. Several good raffle prizes will be offered and following the meeting refreshments will be served by the A.Y.E.'s.

DON'T MISS THIS MEETING-KIWANIS CENTER-8 p.m. Sharp

As everyone knows there is code practice held one half hour prior to each meeting and each class is in charge of an experienced opr. However there is a rumour flying around that these classes may be discontinued unless more enthusiasm is shown. Lets not let down the boys who have volunteered their time and equipment for your use. Remember also the "Club" offer to pay the license fee of the first member getting his ticket. Now is your chance to see how your equipment stacks up against the other "John Hams" in Belleville. The club is sponsoring a 'Hobby Show' to be held the end of April, so start planning an entry now. Exhibits will not be judged according to cost and no entry is too small. Perhaps you may win a valuable prize. Spring heralds the greatest outdoor amateur event, the A.R.R.L. field day, June 12 and 13. If enough members of our club are interested in entering this contest, a committee will be formed. There are locations in this district where a portable station could be operated to advantage. A few watts, a good QTH, and efficient operating will put our club on the map. Watch for further announcements. That is not all! Your entertainment committee have other activities in mind for early meetings, so attend regularly and get behind the A.A.R.C.

'Doug' Vanderwater -3BLV

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

The last meeting held on Jan. 8th turned out very successful. Three speakers were heard. 'Gord' Turney -3SD presented a well illustrated and informative talk on the 'Cathode Ray Tube' a subject always useful to the 'ham'. Laurie Roy was second recounting his early experiences in the days of the spark gap. Everyone had a good laugh at some of 'SOs' experiences and learned, that its' not always profitable to loop a wire around the arm while on a roof. 'Gene' Hitchon -3AJS then gave a report on '6' meter antenna and feeder lengths. These figures were the result of a number of experiments carried out by 'Gene' and were particularly timely.

Frank Hotchburger - Trenton

OPERATING AND COMMUNICATIONS

It is hoped by myself and our S.O.M., Dave Hutchinson 3DJ that we shall have stations in the Belleville - Trenton district holding official appointments (from A.R.R.L.). The A.R.R.L.

communications dept. appointments are OPS- Official Phone Station
 OBS - Official Broadcast Station - ORS - Official Relay Station
 OES - Official Experimental Station (V.H.F.) E.C Off. Emergency
 Corp. Any stations interested in the above, please contact me
 and I will make the necessary recommendations to ARRL thru the
 S.C.M. xxxxxxxx Members of the Beaver Net are anxious to secure tr
 traffic outlets in Belleville and Trenton so what say men? How
 about getting your OPS or ORS? Anybody wishing to obtain a Rag
 Chewers Club certificate see me so that skeds. can be made and
 necessary dope forwarded to ARRL. (VE3-ASP please note). Your
 attention is drawn to the fact that should you have traffic for
 any part of VE or W a completed list can be obtained from myself.
 The ARRL VHF field day held May 22 is a chance for those interest-
 ed in VHF work to get out and give the HF bands a work out. You
 work stations you undoubtedly wouldn't from the home QTH. Last
 year five of us from Hamilton A.R.C. were successful in carrying
 all VE and W honours on 50, 144, 235, and 420 megs.

D. A. OF THE MONTH

For this column as already stated I must depend upon all members
 for news. Give me the dope on what you work, best times, and
 anything that may help others to work more DX. xxxxxxxx Twenty has
 been a DXers' "Nightmare", due to that fact that while the DX is
 coming in so are the Ws on short skip. The Ws 1-2-3-8's as well
 as VE3's are 599x and naturally DX signals are no match for them.
 There is one thing noticeable on 20 lately. Due to the short
 skip the W's can hear us, and obligingly clear the channel when
 you hook a DX station. Some VE's could take a lesson from this
 courtesy. Use your VFO to move off a DX station as well as onto
 his frequency. xxxxxxxxxx During the month I've had 47 DX contact
 acts. A great number being with 45. Among the countries worked
 besides W - VE are CE, G, VO, CM, LS, VK, HK, GM, F, CN8, EA, 3L
 LU, ON, CT2, CO, PY, KZ5, KP4 and D4. For the most part reports
 were 579x to 589x. xxxxxxxx On 'ten' there has been some fair-
 ly good DX coming thru. Band condx the as far as DX is concern-
 ed have been somewhat erratic. However its a good band right
 now to snare a few more of its hard to get countries. In wind-
 ing things up gang don't forget that 'E' stations are not per-
 mitted to Q.S.E. so you might as well save cards. Don't forget
 to have your DX dope in early for next month.

E. V. -3BQL Picton

50 MC AND OP

Here is the first of a series of V.H.F. columns bringing you
 news from 50 mc. and up. 50MC. Well the local activity on six
 looks promising for some W.B. summer QRM. To date AAJ, AOP, ADJ
 AJS, BBB are active. ABC apparently has forsaken the six to
 work ten but George will be back the first time the band opens.
 BTC Stirling has had many W.B. QSO's with AJS, AOP, AAJ, and ADJ
 in the past two weeks. BQL Picton, will be on six with 90 watts
 input. A newcomer to the six meter ranks in Belleville is Dick
 Charlton AZS. Dick is from Oshawa. xxxxxxx No further open-
 ings have been reported for six. Last opening was on Sun. A.M.
 Jan. 4th. A few words, make short QSO's its the rule on six.
 If you have time to rag chew talk about something useful such
 as antenna polarization and build your rig so that you can
 change to C.W. easily. Either put up two antennas, one horiz-
 ontal and one vertical or arrange one so that it can be changed.
 Activity on 144 mc. is almost nil. This is a good band for
 local QSO's since ground wave attenuation seems less than at 50.
 There is activity on two in Rochester. So lets have some contact
 acts with these boys. 420MC. Here is a band that doesn't have
 any occupancy and should be given a trial. This is as high in
 frequency as you can go and use standard gear. At an early
 meeting I'll give some interesting dope on using 'flec' pwr.
 'Gord' Turney -3ASD

SPATTER

We wonder who's doing all the listening on 50 mc these days
 with the super gogen. (Better not admit it fellah). Hear that
 BDU started a fire in his 'cubic footer'. Didn't know it was ~~xx~~
 that cold Don. xxxxxxxx In case you'd like to 'see' who you're
 talking to, don't miss Wednesdays meeting. Its a chance to win
 that television tube no foolin. xxxxxx Think ADJ should be more
 careful about reports. He had AAJ looking for him that was com-
 ing from his own (ADJ's 75 m. rig). BLY's rig sounds very W.B.