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NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

Members are advised that the next GENERAL MEETING of the Illawarra Amateur Radio Society will be held at the Wollongong Town Hall Committee Room on Monday,
13th OCTOBER 1975 at 7.30 p.m ...

AGENDA.

- 1) Apologies and welcome to new members and visitors.
- 2) Minutes of previous meeting.
- 3) Correspondence.
- 4) Financial Report.
- 5) General Business
- 6) Raffle.
- 7) Lecture.

month or so maving been listening a fair bit on the 10 metre band i have worked many stations from thr states and Japan arond 2200 GMT. The best 10 meter opening I have heard was on the 27-9-75 with 5/9 reports exchanged. The 20 metre band has also been providing some interesting DX from the middle fast. The 15 metre band seems to be occupied mainly by the JA'S, although I did hear some signals out of Russia when the VK-ZL contest was on last weekend.

below are some interesting stations I have worked over the last month;

Who a U a	ALL	- WELLES RETURNS	noted	alkerine	e over	the last month;
VP2ABA U	0 7 09 G	antigua		GW4BNJ	0630 GMT	Swansea Wales
OY5HJ	0837	Faroe is,		BV2B	1115	Taiwam
PFTP	1154	Iceland		AP2AD	0344	Pakistan
Z32J L	0622	South Africa		EI6S	08 0 4	Ireland
hG6.II	06i9	saipan Is.		JW5MM	0903	Svalbard
EP2SN	1254	Tehran, 1ran		GM3MPB	1355	scotland
HASCL	0654	Mako Hungary		MLD	0654	San Merino
AJ 60F	0808	Johnston Ls.		KP4EDQ	0651	Puerto Rico
9 Y 4N =	0612	Trinadad		ZKICX	0247	daratonga
P J 3D0	0333	Aruba		TG 9FE	0653	Guatemala
103.10X	0613	Bucharest		Lz2KB	0705	Bulgaria
KC 6UG	0849	Yap Is.		PJ4CR	0624	Bonaire
8 P6 AH	0402	Barbados		1SØXXD	0610	Sardinia Is.
КХбІЊ	0725	marshall Is.		VS5DB	1019	Brunei
0D5T0	0655	BEirut		CP2AC	0708	Sucre, Bolivia
HS5AKW	1228	Thailand		HZISH	2036	Jeddah
V Q 9rt	1244	Seychelles	,	ĘP2KD	1312	Tehran
LXLbR	1507	Luxenbourg	15mx	HPLXRU	0120	PAn am a
GH3JAW	1350	Glasgow		ON4QJ	0637	Belgium
9m2RL	1008	Kuala Lumpur		Vu2JNA		Bombay India

That's it for this month, good Dx to all.

Penny VKMPG

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BILL-DIT CARPHONE COMPLETE & READY TO INSTAL

AS POSTAL COSTS ARE STRAINING THE SOCIETY'S FINANCES THE COMNITTEE DECIDED THAT RATHER THAN ASK FOR EXTRA FEES FROM EVERYBODY, THAT WE WOULD BUN A SUPER RAFFLE. THE ITEM WE ARE RAFFLING IS A BILL-DIT CARPHONE COMPLETE WITH SPEAKER, MIKE, CHANNEL B & 6 XITALS AND FINISHED WITH A COMMERCIAL LOOKING HAMMERTONE FINISH.

THERE WILL ONLY BE 150 TICKETS AT \$1 EACH AND DEPENDING ON TICKET SALES IT WILL BE DRAWN AT EITHER THE NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER MEETING. THIS IS A BRAND NEW UNIT AND IS BEING BUILT BY AN EXPERIENCED TEAM INCLUDING BILL VK2DJ THE PROJECTS ORIGINATOR. REMEMBER THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO BUY FOR THIS UNIT IT IS COMPLETE IN EVERY WAY.

SPECIFICATIONS INCLUDE.

SENSITIVITY: MUTE OPENS @ < .1 MICROVOLT.

TX OUTPUT AT LEAST 16 W (UP TO 25 WITH GOOD TWEAKING).

AUTOMATIC FREQUENCY CONTROL.

'S' METER.

INTERNAL SPEAKER & EXTERNAL SPEAKER SOCKET.

PROVISION FOR DISCRIMINATER METER. *

AERIAL CONNECTION ETC.

MONTHLY RAFFLE.

THIS MONTH WE ARE RAFFLING OFF AN ELECTRONIC CALCULATOR. THE WHOLESALE PRICE OF THIS UNIT IS \$20.00 SO WE ARE HOPING FOR A GOOD RESPONSE AT THE MEETING AS WE MUST COVER OUR COSTS ON IT. IT IS A BRAND NEW UNIT AND IS FULLY GAURANTEED. IT WOULD BE INVALUABLE AROUND THE SHACK AS IT HAS - MEMORY, CONSTANT, AS WELL AS NORMAL FUNCTIONS & AUTO SHUTDOWN AFTER 25 SECONDS BUT CAN BE RECALLED AT THE PRESS OF A BUTTON.

THIS IS ONE PRIZE I WON'T GIVE BACK IF I WIN IT.

SCOOP PURCHASE.

WE HAVE MANAGED TO OBTAIN A FEW METERS AT RIDICULOUSLY LOW PRICES COMPARE THESE WITH YOUR PRICE CATALOGUES _----

EDGE CONNECT. IS! METERS \$2.50 5 CM SQUARE (2 IN) 0 - 1 MA \$4.00 IVU! METERS \$3.00

AS WE ONLY HAVE A FEW OF THESE WE WON'T BE ABLE TO TAKE ANY MAIL ORDERS TILL AFTER THE OCTOBER MEETING (IF ANY ARE LEFT).

TRADE DISPLAY.

THIS MONTH WE ARE AGAIN HAVING A TRADE DISPLAY OF GOOD GEAR.

MACELEC ARE PUTTING ON A DISPLAY OF EQUIPMENT. THIS SHOULD BE WELL!

MORTH SEEING AS IT INCLUDES ALL KINDS OF GEAR SUITABLE FOR AMATEURS.

NOTE THE TRID GEAR ADVERTISED ELSEWHERE IN THIS BULLETIN.

KEITH 2ZYI.

GOOD to hear JIM VK2BBG mobile now on 2 metres . JIM has modified an ex commercial rig and gets out well.

Yours truly had an absence from 2 metres— with a change of car it was about 3 weeks before I got the rig mounted into the new car.

Especially with channel 6 on the air its great to be back on.

AND speaking of channel 6- FULL marks and complments to GRAEME VK2AGV and HANK VK2BHL for a the many hours work put into the project which is a credit to their ability and their contribution to our Radio Society.

Graeme incidentally has been for a touring Holiday back to Cairns and should by the time this reaches the press.

73's De
BARRY VK2FE

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HALLICRAFTERS H.F Receiver. 10_ 30 MHZ.

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Contact - Bill VK2DJ or Graeme VK2AGV.

FOX EEZY REPORTS.....

GOOD to see the far South Coast Come to life on 2 Metres_Both John at VK2YDQ at Mollymook and Frank VK2HQ at Milton with big signals into WOLLONGONG direct on Channel 40 as well as the new repeater Channel6

NO this is not a Commercial, but if you are looking for a Holiday Flat at one of the most beautiful holiday resorts on the Coast Complete with a 2 Metre Yagi (at no extra cost) John Telfer VK2YDQ is just the man to see at Magnificent MOLLYMOOK.

You could tell the XYL, its a special kind of TV Antenna!

Trevor VK2BTB (the mobile C W man) has just aquired an electronic KEYER- so get those ears going....

AND did you get to work Ray LA9UH/MM who has had a week in berth at PORT KEMBLA.

HAD a report from a ZL2 that there was a 2 Metre opening on the weekend of 13th- 14th SEPT. And distances of 300 to 400 miles were common over both days with only a few Watts and a GROUND PLANE.

SPEAKING of OPENINGS! All you fellows that work the DX on 6 metres in the season had better start cleaning the Cobwebs out of the gear. Although the likes of John VK2BHO and Ray VK200 know that the openings occur all through the year.

AUSTRALIAN "2 Mx" AMATEUR F.M REPEATERS

Area		Re'ptr		Ident.	Location Status
		Ch.	Ch's		
N.S.W. (NEMA MAPS)	**************************************			* · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Far Nth. Coast	LISMORE	4	48/60	VK2	
Mid Nth. Coast	Coffs Harbour	2	44/56	VK2	
	Pt. MACQUARIE	1	42/54	VK2	
	TAMVORTH	<u>6</u> 3	45/57	VK2RAB	
Lower Nth. Coast	NEWCASTLE		46/58	VK2RAN	Mt. Sugarloaf (Op.48/38)
	Lake MACQUARIE		/	VK2	Mt. Tarrawolong p
	GOSFORD	5	43/55	VK2R1G	(Op.42/32)
SYDNEY	Sydney	4	48/60	VK2WIR	Dural (Also Op.48/38)
	N.W. Sydney	_	11/50	VK2	p
	St. GEORGE	2	44/56	VK2	Engadine t
	WAVERLEY		15 /50	VK2	B-1
Central Coast	WOLLONGONG	6	45/57	VK2AM7	Robertson (Op.42/32)
& Illawarra	ULLADULLA			VK2	
	BLUE	177	17/50	77772	
	MOUNTAINS	7	47/59	VK2	D D
	MITTAGONG	A	10/51		Mt. Conobolas (Op.42/"A")
Western Slopes/	ORANGE	1	42/54	VIC	Black Mountain Op
Southern _ blelands/	CANBERRA	3	46/58	VK2	* t
A.C.T & Other	7AGGA)	43/55	VK2	
TELEMODIA	GRIFFITH			VILC	
VICTORIA	ONGA/Albur	T A	48/60	VK3RNE	Mt. Big Ben t
N. East	EAST TPPSLAN	0 3	45/58	VK3REG	Mt. Sugarloaf t
Eastern	LATROBA VALLE		44/50	VK3RLV	Mt. Tassie Op
Control	BALLARAT	5	43/55	3RBA	
Central	Gr. BENDIGO	2	44/56	VK3ru	Mt. Alexandra
MELBOURNE	MELBOURNE	1	42/54	VK3RML	Dai denong Op
MELLOURINE	MEDDOOLUU	3	46/58	VK3RMM	Mt. Ma edon May be
South Tast	GHELONG	4	48/60	VK3RGL	Mt. Anakie 6 or 7)
Western	STAVELL	1	42/54	VK3RWZ	Mt. William (Charing to
Western	Car Trans. Campring		7		Ch. 7)
N. Western	SWAN HILL	6	45/57	VK3RSH	
	MILDURA	4	48/60		
? ??				VK3RAP	Mt. Arapiles
QUEENSLAND					
South East	GOLD COAST	1	42/54	VK4	Mt. Tamborine Op
BRISBANE	Brisbane	3 2	48/60	VK4	~
	IPSWICH	3	46/58	VK4	Op
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Sunshine Coast	BUNDABERG				
& North	MACKAY		10/51	TITE A	Mt. Spec Op
	TOWNSVILLE	1	42/54	VK4	Mt. Spec Op
	CAIRNS		10 /5 /	THIEDAD	Mt. Lofty Op
S.Aust. W.A. & TAS.	ADELAIDE	1	42/54	VK5RAD	Mt. Lofty Op Op
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	ALBANY	4	48/60	VKO VK7	Mt. Barrow
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We are indebted to Len Gray, VK2AKO, who compiled and forwarded the above chart. I am sure we are going to find it a most useful guide. Many Thanks Len.

STOP PRESS Just received a 'phone call that BUNBURY (VK6) is Op on Ch. 3 Simplex in V.A. (VK6) is Ch. 40 (146 Mz.)

The above chart was published in "DRAGNET", the Official Organ of the St. George Amateur Radio Society, September 1975. We gratefully acknowledge the source and should be of very good use to members.

Ian. VK2ZJA. Secretary IARS.



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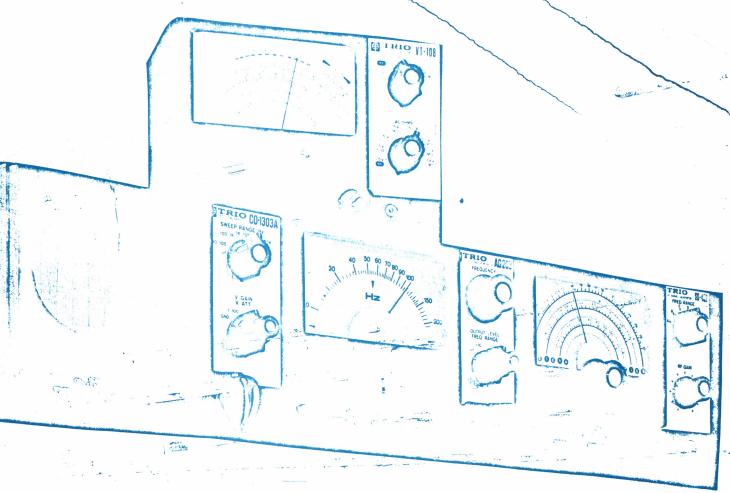
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Moonbounce Report for October.

We copied PAØSSB during the September EME tests on 7/9/75 and exchanged M grade reports. F9FT was then worked with good signals each way. He later tried SSB which could be heard in the noise but could not be resolved clearly. We now have 700watts output capability!

Repairs and adjustments were then made to the main drive system of the dish to remove slack, the drive clutch was rebuilt and corroded sections of the tubular support steelwork for the dish were cut out and new sections welded in. (By a local Contractor.)

A fuse panel is being installed to allow rapid detection of overload or short circuits on each of the more important low voltage supply circuits to the receiving system.

The transmitter frequency checking system, using HF signals from standard frequency stations, has been installed. However as no response has come from the call for help in the last two Moonbounce Reports, maybe this simply means that no one reads them. Hi! If so, then we could save paper and maybe postage (and wear & tear on my two typing fingers) if the Report was to be deleted. Comments as to whether it is serving any useful purpose would be appreciated.

Lyle VK2ALU.

P.S. If anyone has a need for Size D 12 volt batteries then I will have lots of them, kindly sent from the St. George Amateur Radio Society, at the next meeting. Cost will be nominal-for our Club funds.

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