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CLUB MEETINGS ARE HELD EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT STARTING AT 7:30 PM

ALL VISITORS ARE WELCOME!

Here is a copy of a radiogram that Mike got from W1QV ARRL N.E. Dir.

Dear Mike

Just got home from a trip to Key West and found ur letter and copy of ur paper. I sure would be very pleased and honored to receive a copy of every issue. The more I know about the activities and feelings of the Members and Clubs the better I can do my job as ARRL Director... Thank You

73 Bob "QV"

The SEMARA Sunday morning Round Tables are now set up so that now everyone can get a chance to check in... For the early birds the round tables first half starts at 8 A.M. The second half is for those people who stay out late Saturday night and can't lift there heads off the pillow until 10 A.M. Sunday morning.

OH YES! The frequency is 29 mc. So, come on in, the waters fine. W1UID will be in charge of the kitty for the clubs hamfest tickets. So don't forget to put some change in the kitty.

HERE --- KITTY --- KITTY --- KITTY

WN1FED is now on the air with a DX-100 but when they delivered it, there were a few tubes broken. Next time Barry, have it shipped by carrier pigeon.

HERE IS THE QTH
OF THE NEW QSL BUREAU:

QSL Bureau: W1OP
The Providence Radio Assn. Inc.
Box 2903
Providence, R. I. 02908

If there aren't enough radio books on the market I hear that there's another book that's called.

"WHEN THE BAND GOES DEAD"

If your wondering where Lefty is, WA1CLU, has been having some trouble with his washing machine. Watch out Lefty you may get caught in the WRINGER.

Here is another good way to work W.A.S. and get those hard to find countries you have been looking for. On 3.935 at 0100 GMT look for the CHC-FHC service net. They are on everynite of the week. Wayne, what about that Conn. CBB mobile that wanted to QSO with you in your Mass. mobile. Ask him about it, I'm sure Wayne, will tell you all about it.

I wouldn't have believed it if I hadn't of seen it with my own eyes. George (W1KHV) came down to see the club Saturday night to see the new station. This is what is hard to believe, he sat down and put out a call on the SWAN #350???

Following an announcement in the last issue, WN1EWE, reports that he has had no local QSO's with club members. Wat say Fellas, how about some 80 meter DX.

More members should attend the meetings on Thursday nights, because they are getting better than BAT-MAN AND ROBIN.

We would like to thank George W1KHV for his help in picking out the gear for the club station. If it wasn't for him we would have paid more than we did.
THANKS AGAIN GEORGE.

Again WN1FED is waiting for a bus. Whats on the bus Barry? Could it be a mail-order bride or a 75A-3.

Here's a real rare call WA1CLU. He's back on the air again. How long this time Joe?

W1FJI is still trying to get his vertical to work, On ANY band.

Dave - K1JGV has finally put up a dipole antenna on 10 meters, and one on 15. Good Luck Dave.

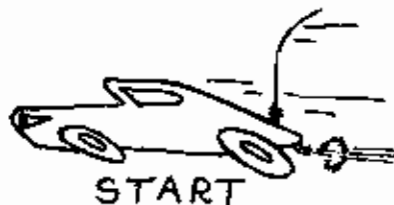
It looks like some of the locals are starting to get on 10 meters, at night. So far, we've heard K1JGV, K1BVD, W1NSP, WA1APX, W1FJI, and WA1FOV. They are on almost every nite on 28.7 mc. come on and join the net.

Not only did W1AEC lose a tower and 3 beams but we understand that K1IBR found his 6 meter beam on the ground after the little breeze we had. What can we say.

For those of you who want to lose some weight, check with K1IBR. He lost some 30 lbs. the easy way and enjoyed it. Was it the exercise or all those trips to Fall River. I guess we'll never really know.

Watch out on the novice band, Al, WN1EWE, is back on c.w. again with his OWN bug. Whats been wrong Al?

Here is a real record that should stand for quite sometime around W1AEC and the New Bedford area. W1AEC/m and WA1CNO/m have completed the longest mobile to mobile QSO that covered 4 states. The QSO was 15 hrs. and 15 mins. from Mass. to N.Y. and back.



Here is a breakdown of what the club paid out for the new station
32V2 - \$115.00, 75A3 - \$225.00,
SWAN 350 - \$329.00, Power Supply
for the Swan - \$71.95. We spent a
total of \$740.95 in NYC, and as you
can see it was well worth it.

The following members bought gear in NYC. WA1DHQ got an invader for around \$200.00. WA1CCM got a GSB-100 but he won't say how much he paid for it.

Mike (WA1BZJ) and Bill (K1YMW) worked the ARRL DX contest. They worked 50 countries and made 104 contacts. Good work boys and better luck next time.

WA1CTJ has asked me to tell the rest of the members of S.E.M.A.R.A. to please take it easy, talk slower, & clearer, so that he can take down the minutes of the meeting correctly. After the last meeting he has writers cramps, so take it easy on our new secretary. HI!!

DX By KLINO



Just a few lines as to what is going on the bands these days as far as DX is concerned. I guess its common knowledge that we've gone through the bottom of the sunspot cycle and the number of the sunspots are increasing regularly month by month. As the spots increase the conditions for propagation of DX get better and better on all bands especially the 15 and 20 meter bands. Over the last 3 or 4 years 20 meters has been good, 15 meters has been fair, and 10 meters poor with DX almost non-existent. But in the last six months conditions have steadily improved to a point where 20 meters is now open to almost any part of the world at one time of the day or another. 15 meters is not quite as good, but does open practically every day into western Europe, occasionally as far as Russia; just about all of Africa and South America and very little out of the Pacific area and Asia even though Japan and a couple of other Asian stations were heard last fall, 10 meters remains the worst band with only a few countries, opening.

I'm not very familiar with the other bands but I'll report what I've been hearing. Some of the fellows on the 6 meters have done quite well during the winter months working down into Texas and through out the midwest; also through the Southern states and into some of the Carribean Islands. 80 meter DX is a little better than 6 with some of the fellows working into Europe, South America and even into VK-land during the late evening hours. I understand 40 meter DX is also fairly good but mostly cw on this band due to the BC stations.

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Dine and Dance Re-union
On or about May 7, 1966

Place: Gaudette's Pavilion,
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For information and reservations:
Please contact

WALCMT - 41 Dunbar St. - 9930134

WALCRM - 101 Larch St.

WALCUM - 97 Hall St. - 992-3329

On or before March 20th, 1966

RHODE ISLAND MOBILEER'S AUCTION

WHERE: Edward T. Cronshaw
VFW Post 2763
40 Jones Street
Cumberland (Valley Falls)
Rhode Island

WHEN: March 8, 1966 AT 7:30 SHARP

Bring your gear - meet your friends.
There will be no minimums and all bids will be accepted. Owners will be free to bid on their own equipment and buy it back at no charge. All items sold will be subject to a 10% commission.

COME ONE AND ALL!!
FOR A GOOD TIME!!

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THE RHODE ISLAND MOBILEER'S