

ZERO BEAT

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Club meetings are held every Thursday night at 7:30 PM. All are invited to attend.

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HAM RADIO!!!

Many have think that the main reason for becoming an Amateur Radio Operator is to sit in front of a mike or a key and chew the rag. However this is not true. One of the main reasons for becoming a Ham is public service.

If you were to take some time and listen around on the different bands I think you would be very surprised at the number of ham operators that don't know how to pass or receive traffic. For there are quite a few hams who would rather handle traffic than ragchew anyday. There are quite a few traffic nets on the different bands for anyone who is interested.

Correct traffic handling is not very difficult in fact, it is not very hard to remember. One big mistake a few hams make is that they try to break into a traffic net. This is one thing that never should be done. The Net Control Station (NCS) will at different intervals during the net will take a stand by for stations who wish to check into the net. At his time and only at this time should you check into a net. Make your call clear slow and short, and state as to whether you have or don't have any traffic. Then you should wait until he calls you. On a phone traffic nets you should never use the "Q" or "DN" signals. They are strictly for

C.W. traffic nets. Never tune up on the net frequency, and avoid transmitting at speeds beyond copy of the slowest member in the net. It may be a good idea just to sit and listen to a few nets before you try to get into them. However, always remember that a net is only as good as its NCS and members.

Art Marshall
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CLUB ACTION!!!

At the clubs action on Nov 7th we had about a quarter of the membership there with 5 people from out of town. Who incidently purchased quite a bit of the gear auctioned. The auction was a success in so far as we came out ahead of the game. But we owe this to Larry's wife who made the coffee and sold donuts. Thanks Pat. There was receivers, switches record players, tubes, and lots of other stuff that went at a good rate of speed. The auction only lasted about a hour and half.

IS IT REALLY LUCK???

Mac did it again the ninth year in a row he has won a Thanksgiving Turkey. This year he won it at a Thanksgiving Dinner at Raytheon where he is employed. All's I can say is it's got to be luck. If it were than luck lets hope that he doesn't go the Hamfest at Swampscott and give someone else a chance to win.

FROM THE A.R.R.L.

WHEN REQUESTING MORE THAN ONE TYPE OF INFO FROM THE ARRL, PLACE EACH QUESTION ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER BUT PUT THEM IN THE SAME ENVELOPE. THIS WILL OF COURSE HELP SPEED YOUR ANSWERS TO YOU.

IF YOU ARE JUST GETTING INTERESTED IN TRAFFIC WORK THEN YOU SHOULD READ "HOW TO DELIVER A MESSAGE" BY WINJM IN JANUARY 1967 QST. YOU WILL FIND IT VERY HELPFUL.

THIRD PARTY TRAFFIC

THIRD PARTY TRAFFIC CAN BE HANDLED WITH THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES.
CE, CM, CO, CX, EL, HC, HH, GP, HI, HK, HP, HR, QA, PY, TL, VE, VO, XE, XP, YH, YB, YV, ZP, AND XL. ADD ONE MORE TO THE LIST K1YR/XV5.

DX RESTRICTIONS

CAMBODIA, INDONESIA, (INCLUDING WEST NEW GUINEA), THAILAND, AND VIET NAM (EXCEPT FOR K1YR/XV5).

303 ???? ?

303 WHAT IS IT A NEW COUNTRY? NO CANADIAN AMATEURS WILL HAVE THE OPTION, IN 1967, OF USING THE PREFIX 30 IN PLACE OF VE AND 3B IN PLACE OF VO, TO CALL ATTENTION TO THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF CANADA AS A NATION. UNDER THE SCHEME, VE3XXX COULD SIMPLY DECIDE TO USE 303XXX DURING CALENDAR YEAR 1967 AND JUST BEGIN DOING SO.

ARRL NUMBERED RADIOGRAMS

THERE ARE SOME CHANGES IN THE ARRL NUMBERED TEXT, THESE CHANGES BECAME EFFECTIVE SEPT. 1, 1966. THE NEW ARRL NUMBERED TEXT CAN BE HAD BY WRITING TO THE A.R.R.L. OR WHY NOT SEND A RADIOGRAM TO THE A.R.R.L.

NATIONAL EMERGENCY AND CALLING FREQUENCIES (KC.)

3650, 3875, 7100, 29,640, 50,530,
145,350

HERE'S A QUIZ

WHAT IS THE RESISTANCE FROM A TO B ???



K1YOK, W1FJI, AND V133V ARE STILL LOOKING FOR TRAFFIC.

W1LAZ AND A FEW OTHER LOCAL HAMS SURE COULD USE SOME COMPANY ON THE METERS. THE LOCAL GROUP IS ON THE EVERY SUNDAY EVENING AT 8 A.M.

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO LIKE TO ENTER CONTEST, KEEP IN MIND THE A.R.R.L. DX PHONE CONTEST FEB. 4 AND 5 TH. THE A.R.R.L. DX CW CONTEST FEB. 18 AND 19 TH. THEN IN MARCH AGAIN THE A.R.R.L. DX PHONE CONTEST MAR. 4 AND 5 TH, A.R.R.L. DX CW CONTEST MARCH 18 AND 19 TH. GO TO IT DX'ERS.

DAVE K1JGV WENT OUT AND BOUGHT A NEW CAR. HE IS NOW THE OWNER OF A 1966 MUSTANG.

FLASH W1LFOV IS NOW DRIVING A VETTE

THIS SPACE IS RESERVED FOR YOU

THE CLUB STATION HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE LATELY, THANKS TO K1YMW

IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO PUT INTO ZERO BEAT CONTACT BARRY, W1FJI, OR W1LQCM.

WPHGOK DOES IT!!

We would like at this time to congratulate Larry for finally passing his exam for his Novice call. You can probably find him on either 40 or 15 meters. His call is WN1GXV. Good luck Larry.

This month our victim will be our papers editor, Art Marshall. Art, is the holder of a General Class license and has been in Ham Radio since 1955. At the present time his station consists of a Swan 350, an electronic keyer, fed to a 80 meter a 20 meter, and 15 meter dipole. These are three separate antennas. He holds such awards as O.G.S., W.A.S., W.S.O., and a ARRL code proficiency award for 15 wpm. Art is a certificate hunter and now is trying to work all countys for the County Hunters Award. By the way for those intetested there are over 2,000 counties. Before I forget his call is W1WJI. He was a member of the Whaling City Hi-banders a coordinator for 2A sector in Civil Defense, and also a member of Dade County Radio Club in Florida. Well thats all for now; so smile you may be our next victim.

Recently we have had the pleasure of having a priest join our organization. His name is Father Anthony Pohle but goes by the name of Charles on the air. He holds amateur call W1AIE and has held calls W3PZS, And W2PFG. He operates on all bands and also has a Swan 350.

OUR PAPER

The clubs paper staff would appreciate any articles that you can come up with for the paper. Just contact either Art W1WJI or Barry WN1FED.

W1AEO

Our club station is now checking into the R.I. Post Office Net on Tues. and Thurs nights. Anyone having any TFC for any where in the states, that we can handle third party traffic. Please contact W1WJI.

We now have a station for every class of license at W1AEO. For the Novice we have a TBS-50 and a 75A3. For the techs we have a six meter lonset, and for the General we have a Swan 350 or a 32V2.

CALL LETTER PLATES

There has been a lot of controversy about our ham plates. Here is a copy of the docust sent to the house by our Governor:

"Distinctive license plates were first issued to "ham" radio operators during 1965. This was in recognition of the significant service which they performed at times when normal communications are disrupted. When these plates were first issued there was no extra fee charged. Under the so called "vanity" license plate law went into effect. early this year, it appears that a \$9 "issuance" fee will be charged for such amateur radio license plates. Since it apperas that the issuance fee should not be charged for license plates issued to a group performing most valuable public services in times of emergency. I enclose herein that the legislation would require amateur radio operators receiving plates which display their call signal to pay the \$6 registration fee required for all private passenger motor vechiles, but would exempt them from paying the additional \$9 vanity plate fee. I urge that ylu give it your prompt approval."

Respectfully submitted
John A. Volpe.