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On December 15th, 1986, the meeting of the OVHARC commenced at 8:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Northern Virginia Electric Co-op Building, 10323 Lomand Drive, Manassas, Virginia.

HIGHLIGHTS

Committee was nominated to select Club Members to be the new Officers for 1987. The Members selected to be on the committee are:

Butch Blasdell (W4HJL)
Milt Warnock (N4SN)
Tim Wayne (KB4NR)

New Officers will be slated at the January 19th Meeting. Floor alternatives will be taken during the Meeting. Elections will be held in the February Meeting.

Jack Gunsett (KI4VP) gave a short presentation on Packet/Digipeater. A discussion followed on the Pro's and Con's of Packet and on which location to use for the Packet/Digipeater. A Committee, consisting of Jack (KI4VP), Butch (W4HJL), Tim (KB4NR) and Milt (N4SN), was elected to compile more information regarding the costs, location for Digipeater, effectiveness and need for Packet/digipeater. The Committee will present it's findings at a later meeting.

A Hamfest Chairman was briefly discussed. Designated as Chairmen were:

Gene Roberts (N4HFW)
Jack Gunsett (KI4VP)

Art Whittum (W1CRO) was designated to send the Application to AARL for their approval. As of this date, AARL approval has been received.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

January 18th, 1987 -- Richmond Frostfest -- Richmond, Virginia. The Frostfest will be held at the Virginia State Fairgrounds in Richmond. The Fairgrounds are located at Laburnum Avenue (Route 197) and Meadowbridge Road (Route 627).

January 18th, 1987 -- Meeting of the Virginia Packet Radio Association -- Richmond Frostfest -- Time: 1:30 p.m. For more information, see "General Interest" Section below.

February 22nd, 1987 -- Vienna Winterfest -- Vienna, Virginia To be held at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street, Vienna, Virginia.

June 7th, 1987 -- Manassas Hamfest 87 -- Manassas, Virginia

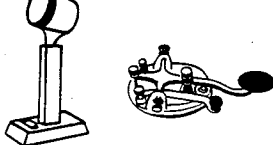
LET'S WELCOME NEW CLUB MEMBERS

Joseph Blanton	KB4TED
David Kelley	KB4RUQ
Mike Neal	N4MSP
Sullivan Scott	WA1WJC

GENERAL INTEREST

AARL BULLETIN NR2

The FCC has issued a correction with regard to the effective date of examination credit for written elements above Novice Class (PR Docket 86 63). The effective date of December 15th, 1986, as indicated in the report and order, is NOT CORRECT. The actual effective date has not been established and is contingent upon approval of changes to FCC Form 610 by The Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The FCC will issue a public notice announcing the actual date upon OMB approval. At the present time, no written examination credit can be issued by volunteer examiners. When OMB approval is secured, the effective date will be reported by WIAW, the ARRL Letter and QST.



The next meeting of the Virginia Packet Radio Association will take place at the 1987 Richmond Frostfest on January 18th, 1987, at 1:30 p.m. VPRA will also have a booth available at the Frostfest loaded with all kinds of Packet Information. Indications are that Terry Fox (WB4JFI) and some of the AMRAD folk will be available to talk about the state of the art in Packet. So here is your chance to find out all you ever wanted to know about Packet Radio and AX.25 protocol. Here is a chance to meet your new found friends, face to face, that you have talked to on Packet. Check in at the VPRA Booth to find out where in the fairgrounds the VPRA meeting will be held.

Harry Vorhauer (W4PVA) has done the NET every Thursday night since March 16th, 1978, (except for once). THANKS, HARRY!!

The following Notice was received from AARL:

"Youth in Amateur Radio" National Art Contest for Students. AARL is sponsoring a national art contest with the theme "Youth in Amateur Radio". Besides prizes, winning entries and other entries deemed appropriate will be forwarded to the worldwide competition sponsored by the International Telecommunication Union in Geneva.

Entrants must be sponsored by an AARL Member. A list of possible sponsors and entry forms are available from AARL, Dept. Y, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111. AARL members may also enter the competition. Entries must be received at AARL NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1st, 1987.

There are three age categories, and a first, second and third prize will be awarded for each category. The categories are:

- Group 1 -- ages 8 - 12
- Group 2 -- ages 13 - 15
- Group 3 -- ages 16 - 18

The theme, "Youth in Amateur Radio" is wide open to encourage students to use their imagination in the following mediums:

Photography, drawings, paintings and other illustrations
(excluding written text)

No artwork should be larger than 11"x14", and each entry must be the original creation of the entrant. Entries become the property of AARL and cannot be returned. Winners will be announced in AARL's national membership journal, QST.

Florida Skip, Inc., a Florida amateur publication, is again being published by Andy Clark (W4IYT). Andy, who suffered a stroke in May, had announced his retirement as Editor. However, he has now sufficiently recovered to again begin publishing. For subscription information, contact Andy at his Callbook address.

BRAIN TEASER

This puzzle has been either the best, or the worst, I have ever tried. I pass it along on the assumption that no harm will come to the user or family. I won't tell you how long it took, but it did take quite a while. So . . . Good luck!

*****You Have The Following*****

1. A PAN BALANCE
2. A WEIGHT OF YOUR CHOICE (#1) any value
3. A WEIGHT OF YOUR CHOICE (#2) any value
4. A WEIGHT OF YOUR CHOICE (#3) any value
5. A WEIGHT OF YOUR CHOICE (#4) any value



YOU WILL BE ASKED TO GIVE THE WEIGHT OF AN UNKNOWN OBJECT WEIGHING 1 TO 40 POUNDS (INTEGER VALUES ONLY).

LIST THE FOUR VALUES OF WEIGHTS THAT WILL ALLOW THE DETERMINATION OF THE WEIGHT OF THE UNKNOWN OBJECT. THE VALUES ARE YOUR CHOICE!

Note: CAUTION!! This one may cause Heart Failure, and may complicate pregnancy. Not to mention a deflated ego or baldness. (This month's Brain Teaser was submitted by Milt (N4SN))

SCHEDULE OF VEC EXAMINATIONS

Date:	Location:	Contact:
1/17/87--	Catonsville, MD Com. College--	T. Chancey--(301) 922-4747
1/18/87--	Baltimore, MD	S. Silberman--(301) 578-8527
1/31/87--	Wilmington, DE--D. Drew, P.O. Box 1050,	Newark, DE 19715
2/8/87--	Goddard Space Center	Rick Penc--(301) 776-9312
2/21/87--	Vienna, VA	Nancy Draheim--(703) 691-0078

Please Note: All examinations require that you submit:

- A. Completed FCC Form 610
- B. Copy of your current Amateur license
- C. Bring your original Amateur license for verification
- D. Self-addressed, stamped business size envelope

For ARRL VEC examinations the new fee for 1987 is \$4.35; so a check made out to ARRL/VEC is also required. Advanced registration is necessary at some of the locations.

SHOP AND SWAP

ESTATE SALE:

Receivers:

Hamerland HQ-140	\$ 75.00
Hamerland HQ-125	\$ 50.00
National NC-300 (needs some work)	\$ 25.00
SP-600 (good working order)	\$ 95.00
WW 2 BC 348	\$ 25.00

Transmitters:

Heath Apache	\$ 50.00
Heath DX-100	\$ 50.00
(2) Johnson Valent's	\$ 75.00 each
Hallicrafters HT-32a (with manual)	\$ 85.00
Palco Xmitter (30 watt)	\$ 25.00
WW 2 BC-610 Plate Modulated "AM" about 1 k.w. lots of spare tubes and parts (YOU MOVE)	\$100.00

Tranceiver:

Heath HW-101 (In real good shape) Speaker, Heath Power Supply, Electro Voice Mike (No CW Filter)	\$150.00
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Microphone:

Drake Encoder Mike 1525em	\$ 25.00
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For more information about the above Estate Sale, please contact Dale (N4EDE) at 368-7540.

Arc 5; Model 19 Teletype; 2 Meter Marconie; Signal Generator; Etc (mostly tube/ type stuff) GIVEAWAY

Please contact Lowell Blevins (W8KIP), 13772 Vint Hill Road, Nokesville, VA, Home Tele. 754-7129 or Work Tele. 749-3462

MISCELLANEOUS

A word of caution:

A private company is sending official-looking literature to Amateurs offering assistance with their license renewal, and it is possible some amateurs may think the literature is from FCC. The catch is the fee that the private company charges for this service is \$50.00. Of course, FCC does not charge a fee for renewal of an amateur license, and the Form 610 is available free from any FCC Field Office or ARRL Headquarters upon receipt of a SASE. FCC or ARRL Headquarters can also provide answers to any questions you may have about renewing your license. So, save your money.

TREASURER'S NOTE

Club Membership Dues were due as of January 1st, 1987. The dues are as follows:

\$6.00	Individual rate
\$3.00	Each Additional Family Member

EDITOR'S REMARKS

As I am new to the Club, and more importantly, new to the world of Amateur Radio, please bear with me as I try to set up and produce this Newsletter. I wish to say thank you to each and everyone of you who offered help when I was confused. I also wish to say thank you to all who heard my plea for input and responded. The response was overwhelming. I really appreciate all of the help that the Club has given me. A big hand to each and everyone of you and my heartfelt thanks.

Oh yes, if you have any comments (good or bad), any suggestions on Newsletter content, anything you wish to have placed in the Newsletter, please contact me at 361-0008/690-6547, or you can contact my husband, Steve (N4OGR).

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the OVHARC will be held on Monday night, February 19th, 1987, in the NVEC building. The meeting will start at 8:00 p.m. Please use the side basement entrance. I hope to see you there.



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