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"OXTALES"

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Well, how do you like the unofficial name for our newsletter? It's the best I could come up with on the spur of the moment...so, if you have a better suggestion, please let me know; otherwise the Club could be stuck with this one. Hi!

ANNUAL FIELD DAYS: Yes, our 9th Annual Convention and Field Day will be held during the Queen's Birthday week end 14th & 15th of June. A committee meeting was held recently to draw up and produce an official programme. A copy is attached. Now....this is our Club's show day and a lot of help is needed to make sure we conduct a successful event. How can I help, you say? We need helpers to run off the various events... operators to man the transceivers with which we give directions to incoming visitors ...persons to help sell raffle tickets...helpers in the kitchens..etc..etc
AND you can help by advertising the Days during your own QSO's..

AND

please take particular notice of our main feature event.....
THE GOLDEN PHONES AWARD ...a really magnificent plaque to be awarded to the winner of our CW (Receiving) contest. Final details of this contest have yet to be finalised, but it is sure to bring some top line CW operators out of the woodwork. Tnx to VK2VWC for designing and making the plaque; which is mounted in a beautiful Rosewood stand... a really great job Cliff... it is sure to be the envy of all.

DO YOU NEED ANY NEW EQUIPMENT: ? Whether you want to buy some new gear or would like to see some special item; please give me a call so that a list can be prepared and sent off to the Trade Display houses who are coming up to the day on Sunday. There is no obligation to buy, but it will help you to have a chance of having a look at what you need if we can let the Supplier's know in advance. I have already received some requests, so please let me know as soon as possible.(83-1100/4274 ah) Kenwood-Icom-Daiwa-Yaesu-Datong-Dentron etc.

ALSO..... you will note that a special display of Painted China ware will be shown...it's really beautiful and the hand painted pieces will be on sale. AND we now have confirmed that a STAMP display will be available... a magnificent selection ... so, if you or your family are keen on STAMPS, you can also buy and sell if you so desire.

NOTE ALSO that there will be a SURPLUS GEAR DISPOSAL SALE (and we are not charging any commission) so, bring along your surplus gear and you will be sure to sell it AND take home twice as much as you came with....great fun....but watch out for attacks of SINUS!

REPEATER: Tnx to all concerned with the working bee to get VK2RPM up and going again. Murphy was there to give a hand and we thank him for giving VK2ZCV (Bill) VK2ADT (Jack) VK2ATM (Art) VK2ZUM (Graham) a really good work out (many others too). However, the new temporary Repeater QTH certainly gave a quicker access for the battle with Dr.Murphy. We had to retreat and re group a few times, but good ground has been won and the arch enemy "CHIRP" was defeated. VK2RPM is now really chaffing at the bit and seems keen to operate on dual frequencies. However, VK2AHH (Noel) was quick to pick up this sneaky move by Dr.Murphy and the boys are back in battle dress once again. Tnx fellows! I forgot to mention that Force 9 wind and yet another working bee!

ANNUAL MEETING W.I.A: We sent VK2ATM down to the big smoke as our representative to this all important meetingtnx Art. By now you will have the results of the election I guess. Congratulations to our club member VK2ZHE (Henry) in making it to NSW Division Council once again. Congratulations to the other new Councillors also, and we wish them every success. Councillors elected are as follow: VK2BAD (Athol) President VK2BDT (David) Treasurer VK2BSB (Sue) Secretary and VK2ZTM (Tim) VK2VHP (Stephen) VK2ZUR (Eric).

WICEN: We have been requested to provide operators during the forthcoming Southern Cross Rally to set up and man HF and VHF links. Yes, we'll be in it was the reaction...so.. VK2LS (Lew)

will be seeking helpers when the time comes. It will be 4 nites of action fellows, so don't be shy when Lew gives you a call.

AMSAT: Yes, we have decided that the Club should join this organisation so as to be kept up to date with Satellite info.

NEW MEMBERS: A hearty welcome to VK2VUO (Rex) VK2VEF (Ron) from up Kempsey way, and VK2NQT (Tanya) VK2NYM (Megan) which now brings Club membership to within a smidgin of 40.

CONGRATULATIONS CORNER: Firstly, callsigns:

VK2BFP (Les) formerly VK2NBO/YPW.) Tnx to all the tutors.....) and long hours of study!
VK2DLT (Elwyn) formerly VK2VPT.	
VK2DLQ (Rex) formerly VK2VUO.	
VK2YSP (Ron) formerly VK2VEF	

AND for the record book..... did you know that VK2ATM (Art) and Wendy's two daughters were the Club's first Novice YL's and that VK2DLT (Elwyn) is the Clubs's first full call YL????...well, now you know. Congratulations Tanya, Megan and Elwyn.

AND NOW: another first within the Club's ranks! VK2NYM is the first YL to become an XYL! Best wishes go to Mrs Megan BECK (nee MONCK) on her recent marriage and we hope you can convince your OM (Noel) that its better to join 'em, otherwise you'll cop the washing up all the time Noel.Hi!. May you both enjoy a long and happy life.

CLUB NET: We've only missed one night, when the QRN was really up. Around 3.623 each Wednesday night is the spot at 8pm. would like some good ideas to make the sessions always interesting. Perhaps the formation of a Mid Coast Net whereby neighbouring Clubs and/or other Amateurs can call in, thus keeping in touch with what is happening in the area.

LIST OF MEMBERS: Here is our latest list with latest callsigns:

(It is in index order; i.e using the last two letters)

VK2*ZAY Barry	VK2 BJH Jack	VK2 *YSP Ron
ACC Allan	*YJU Frank	SV Tom
ZCV Bill	*VLD Barry	ATM Arthur
DK Chic	DLQ Rex	*NUG Frank
ADT Jack	LS Lewis	ZUM Graham
BEF Jin	DLT Elwyn	WC Bill
*VEF Ron	OK John	VWC Cliff
A EZ Ern	PA Peter	*VWF Keith
BFP Lester	*YQF Keith	BXO Rick
YFY Doug	AQH Noel	XU Ian
BGG Jim	NQT Tanya	NYM Megan
ZHE Henry	VQT Col	VYN Mark
AHH Noel	BQU Pierce	BZA Peter
ZIP Dick	ARN Ron	

(Please advise any errors or omissions.. for which I apologise, if any)

RUMOUR: Who was the dastardly OM to recently celebrate a 25th (Silver) wedding anniversary and kept dropping hints for a Wilson System 2 - four element (SILVER) Yagi?

MONDAY NITE SCHOOLS: Still going fine QTH Port High School at 7.30 pm. VK2NUG/YJU is doing a really top job ...Tnx Frank and also VK2ATM (Art) on the CW.

REMINDER: Only a few subs are outstanding ... let's fix it, please.

SEE YOU ALL AT THE FIELD DAY.....

73's VK2BFP (Les) 21.5.80.