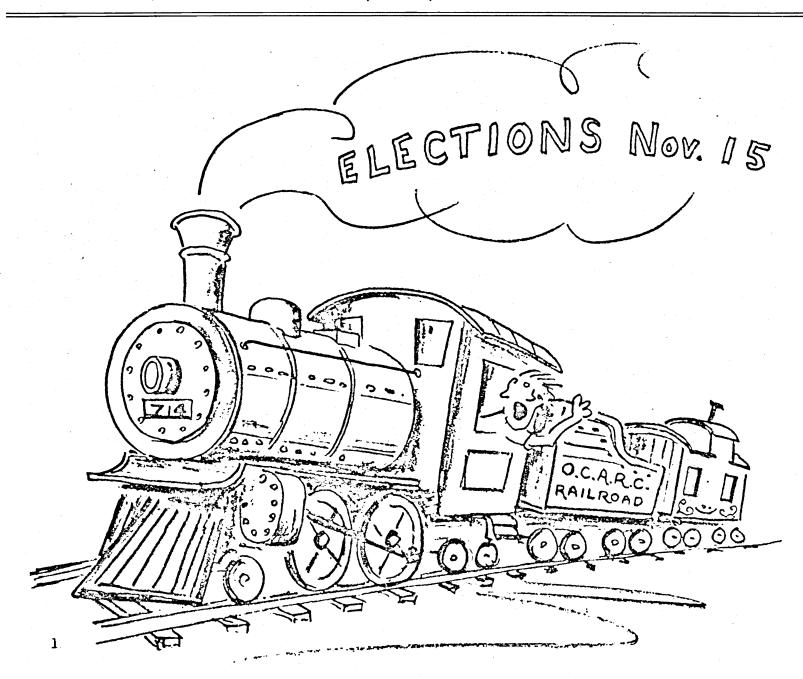


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OCARC ACTIVITIES

MEETING

3rd Friday of each month, 7:30 PM at:

Mercury Savings and Loan 1095 Irvine Blvd. (4th Avenue) Tustin, California

GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

BREAKFAST

1st Saturday of each month, 8:30 AM at:

BARNABY'S COFFEE SHOP

144 South Tustin Ave. (Just South of Chapman & Tustin Aves.) Orange, California

15M NET

Club station WoZE reets every Wednesday at 8:00 Ff on 21.375 MHZ. All amateurs are welcome to check in. Club and ARRL

bulletins read.

15M CW NET

Club station W6ZE meets every Wednesday evening from 7PM to 8FM on 21.175 MHZ. All amateurs are welcome to check in. Lots of CW practice for everyone.

CALLEDOK SERVICE

The club has copies of the latest callbooks which are available at each meeting. Also, you can contact Martin-WB6PEX on Monday and Thursday evenings between 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM if you need addresses. If you have more than one call for Martin to check. he'll get them all and call you back the same night. Also, look for Martin after the Wednesday evening net

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THE PREZ SEZ:

Vell, The November meeting is a time to plan for 1975. It is the time for elections. The officers elected at the November meeting will be charged with the responsibility for:

- * Keeping the club active
- * Helping the club grow
- * Ensuring that activities reflect the interest of the members
- *Keeping the club in a sound finacial position

Just as your new officers will be charged with the above responsibilities, you members are charged with the responsibility to nominate and elect those that can most effectively serve the club. So to guarantee that your club will be an active and healthy club in 1975, make sure that you elect those people you want to see in office.

November is also the time to plan for the Annual Christmas Party. This year, your Program Chairman - Art - WA6LHB, has made plans to have the party again at Waynes Steak House (see page 7 for details). At the November meeting we plan to see if the club is in favor of the plans and will approve the necessary expenditures.

We have had many complaints from members on the quality of food and service encountered at our monthly breakfast. So, the December breakfast (Dec. 7, see pages 2 and 8 for details) will be held at Barnaby's Coffee Shop located on Tustin Ave. in Prange, just off the Chapman Ave. exit on the Newport Freeway. I'm sure that everyne will enjoy Barnaby's. So, see you at the next breakfast!!!!!

2 - WGHHC

CONGRATULATIONS

* Sandi - WN6WZN has announced that the long struggle is finally over. In a recent trip to Los Angeles, she successfully passed her GENERAL ticket. Congratulations, Sandi -- and we all hope the mailman comes soon !!!!!

Lloyd - WB6ULU announced that he passed his ADVANCED ticket at Los Angeles and is also waiting for that mailman. Congratulations, Lloyd - and good DXing !!!!!

Orange County Amateur Radio Club

The Orange County Amateur Radio Club was organized in Jan. 15, 1936 with a handful of amateurs. The club has steadily grown untinow it is one of the outstanding groups in Southern California with a membership of fifty. thirty-one of which are active. Active membership is confined to those amateurs living in Orange County, but any ham may belong. A recent survey including nineteen stations in the club disclosed that we have a total of 3046 watts of power or an average of 160 watts per station. Out of this group three were 160 neter. eight were 80 meter, fifteen were 40 meter, fourteen were 20 meter and ten were 10 meter Most of the stations were capable of going on several or all of the bands at will. This is a pretty fair representation in the amateur spectrum. The CW men were about three to one in numbers against the fone men, a fact that proved CW men are better base ball players than fone men at our picnic last year. We have members actively engaged in all phases of amateur activity including traffic men, experimentors. and DX hounds. Speaking of the latter our club seems to be winning the reputation of being very DX minded group. Your reporter is very sorry but this edition will not include a full survey of the DX situation due to the short time available for the composition of this data, but he promises to get the works by next issue. The club meets every two weeks in the YMCA building in Santa Ana, the last meeting being held the twenty sixth of April. A cordial invitation is extended to all those that can get around to one of our FB meetings, and we are pretty sure you will go home full of groceries. inspirations, and an exalted feeling of good will toward fellow ham. The meetings usually start around eight P. M., remarks by NSA to the contrary not with standing.

Club Gossip, Highlight, and Personalities

Our president, Noral Evans, W6LYM has just plunged and procured a couple of the new Gamatrons that has the grid trickling out of the side of the bottle instead of the base as the old 354 used to have. He is very enthusiastic about them and has nothing but praise to offer for the excellent way in which these babys can take it. He, on the other hand, has his ups and downs. It seems that when you drag one of these California Kilowatts out of the power line something has to give and what it gave him was an abundance of good old 50 cycle Qrm in his HRO. Woe is me. The last electric storm that we experienced down this way took a nose dive down one of his Vee beams and tried to make its getaway through the side of his shack, with the consequence that he now has a new black charred effect on the wall about two feet square.

Our Secretary. Roy Compston. W6IBN proves himself to be a very highly deversified personality by the following contribution. His inspiration comes out of one of the least thought of spots that exists in every ham shack.

It is rumored that LXM has taken his second class fone commercial examination and is now waiting to see how he made out. Another good man gone wrong. Plans joining the BCL servers.

Nobody can ever accuse JMA of not being a kind hearted lover of nature. It seems as though a bird has built a nest in his five meter feed line and is very buisy raising a family. So, JMA has not been on five meters for a long time and now spends his time looking through the window at that last egg which hasn't hatched yet. Incidently if you want to see how a 913 scope should be built up and you should drop in on him and take a look at the excellent job he has done. At the present time The scope is on display in a radio exhibit at the high school where he teaches.

There has apparently been a rush on 35T tubes lately. JMA, MQF, CIG, LPK, BVX, and LQX all have this tube in use or building up around it.

BAM had his station photo printed in a 1933 Argentine magazine called "Revista Telegrafica." And, speaking of pictures, if you want to see a swell collection of station photos from all over the world, you should see BAM's album. It contains over fifty pictures, dating back as far as 1927.

Who has got the oldest unmoved antenna mast? BAM claims that his has not been down for twelve years!

BVX has his station located on the top floor right under a hugh water tank. When it rains his tubes are water cooled, he says. He has a BCL receiver on the operating table and listens to music with one ear while he listens to R9's from Europe in the other.

LDJ, LHN, LVB. MNV, and INV are inseperable and their shacks are eternally being shadowed by weird new sky wires. We wonder where they get their inspirations for all those experimental antennas.

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THE AMATEUR RADIO NEWS

MAY, 1937

KNOW YOUR CLUB OFFICERS

BOB ECKWEILER - WB6QNU MEMBER AT LARGE

My interest in Ham radio began back in 1959 in Manhasset, New York. A school friend had a Novice license and was on 2 meter AM. One day we dropped by an old timers shack W2CJY - George. One look at his impressive SSB station, (there weren't many SSB stations at that time), and I was hooked.

My Novice license finally arrived on the 3rd of July, one day before my 14th birthday. I already had an old NC-88 receiver, got a DX-40 Heathkit for a birthday gift and after a week of assembly, was on the air as WV2GUQ. My first contact, of course, was W2CJY on 40 meters.

After a year as a Novice, I received my General and WA2GUQ about the same time as some of my fellow ham friends. Our late night rag chews went from 40 CW to 15 AM phone.

The DX40 soon went for a new Apache (Heathkit) and a TH-3 beam. Unfortunately, the plans to replace the old NC-88 receiver never came to light. With a good transmitter and poor receiver DX was hard to get. However, a friend lent me a Mohawk receiver and for two weeks I was in heaven. The results were WAS, WAC and 70 contacts towards DXCC.

Soon after that I left for Penn. State to major in Physics and left ham radio temporarily. Soon after I moved to California and finished my degree at CSULB, when I received my present call. During that time I was living in a dorm or apartment and was unable to get on the air. Most of my free time was spent learning to fly. Upon graduation, I started working in the Flight and Lab Development group at Douglas in Long Beach.

As soon as the pay checks were coming in, I bought a new receiver, (finally) an SB-301 and it was on CW with this receiver and the Apache that I first talked to Ken W6HCC. He invited me to the O.C.A.R.C. 1968 Field Day and soon after I joined the club.

The rig expanded to the current set: an SB-301, SB-401, and SB-220. Still today, I'm meeting many new friends locally thru Ham radio.

73 . . Bob-WB6QNU

CONTESTS HERE SOON

The ARRL announces two operating contests to be held in December, the 2nd Annual 10-Meter Contest on Dec. 14th and 15th, and the 5th Annual 160-Meter Contest, Dec. 6th thru 8th.

OCARC members have done well in operating contests in the past, so let's keep up the good reputation and get with it in December.

FIELD DAY RESULTS

The 1974 Field Day Results arrived with the November issue of QST, with OCARC listed as coming in 14th in the 4A category (4 transmitters, 2 or more operators, in a club or group effort), overall standings, with 1601 contacts, for a final score of 3652 points.

The Club had the 2nd highest W6 score in this category, and everyone who participated in or supported the '74 Field Day operation can be proud of another "Job Well Done."

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The OCARC held its Annual Auction at the October Club Meeting, with everything from soup to nuts being sold: power supplies, rotors, power tubes, VTVM*s (one with no meter!), a pre-WWI broadcast receiver, code practice oscillators, a tube checker, even a piece of shielded cable for some lucky recipient.

The auctioneering was performed admirably by Prez, Ken - HHC, and everyone had a good time. We're looking forward to the next OCARC Auction in 175.

NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING

The OCARC November Club Meeting will hold nominations and General Election for the positions on OCARC Board of Officers for 1975. Everyone is urged to be there and vote for the candidate of their choice.

This month's presentation will be two-fold: the first part being a slide presentation by Roger Denny - WA6ARK, of his recent visit to ARRL Headquarters Station W1AW.

The second part of the presentation will be slides of Fried's - WZO - antenna raising party. Looks like interesting entertainment.

DON'T MISS IT!!!

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Any time we're tempted to think that our technology has gone about as far as it can go we should stop and remember a certain Commissioner of the U.S. Patent Office. In 1895 he proposed to Congress that the Patent Office be closed because all the great inventions had already been made.

DECEMBER MEETING -- ANNUAL OCARC CHRISTMAS DINNER ********************************

The O.C.A.R.C. is proud to announce that it will hold the ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER on the third Saturday, DECEMBER 21, at WAYNES STEAK AND LOBSTER HOUSE located at 720 EAST KATELLA in the city of ORANGE. This fine event is planned to start at 7 o'clock P.M. and features the following items:

- 1. FABULOUS FOOD AT REASONABLE PRICES
- 2. FREE DINNERS FOR CHILDREN UNDER 13
- 3. FREE GIFTS FOR CHILDREN
- 4. A GIFT EXCHANGE FOR MEMBERS AND XYL'S
- 5. THE 2 METER TRANSCEIVER RAFFLE

DINNERS Two fine choices are available:

NEW YORK STEAK--\$4.50 PRIME RIB----\$5.75

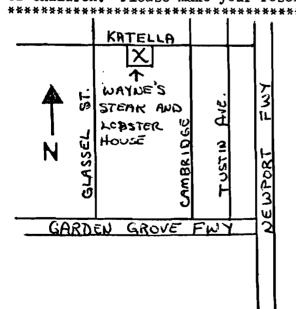
Both choices include TOSSED SALAD, STEAK OR PRIME RIB, BAKED POTATO, GARLIC BREAD, SHERBIT, AND BEVERAGE. The price includes DINNER, BEVERAGE. TAX. and TIP.

CHILDREN'S DINNER

The children's dinners will include SALAD, 1/4 IB HAMBURGER, FRENCH FRIES, SHERBIT, AND BEVERAGE. The dinner is being provided with compliments of the OCARC to all children, 13 & under. (Bring them all)

ADULT GIFT EXCHANGE Presents for the adult gift exchange should be valued between \$1 and \$2. All OM's should bring a gift suitable for an OM, and XYL's suitable for a XYL. Be sure that you attach a label indicating whether the present is for an OM or XYL or BOTH.

Please contact Art Sheldon - WA6IHB (832-9676) for reservations by December 14. Indicate the number of adults, choice of dinners, and the number, names, and ages of children. Please make your reservations as soon as possible.





How many times have I told you, Kei, to stop drawing arcs off your finals with a pencil.

75.00

SALE CORNER

SB-102, SB-600, HP-23A, TA-33JR, EICO Tube Tester,

5" DUMONT Scope, 60 W 10 M AM XMTR in 6 FT. cabinet.

Contact: Don - W600H Phone: 832-9682

Spaulding-Rahn 48, self-supporting tower, 6-8 sections \$175.00

Prop pitch rotor with selsyn control & transformer-cables 65.00

Contact: Bob Karon WB6SCS at message phone: (714) 544-7293 EVENINGS ONLY

NEW MEETING PLACE FOR -O.C.A.R.C. MONTHLY BREAKFAST. Due to many request we are changing the meeting place. Starting December 7, we will meet at BARNABY'S located at 144 SOUTH TUSTIN in the city of ORANGE. It is just south of the intersection of Chapman and Tustin Avenues. Remember the 1st Saturday of each month is the club breakfast. See you there.

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