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From your Chairman

My congratulations to all those who passed the May Radio Amateurs' examination.

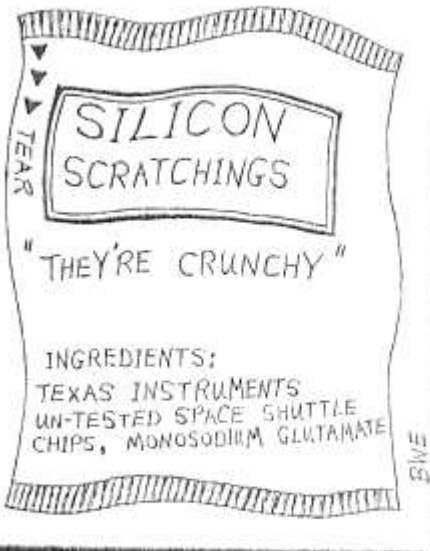
This will be the last issue before the A. G. M. and therefore, my last Chairman's piece. My thanks go to the Committee and all those members who have supported the Club throughout the year. Please continue to come and enjoy the Club during its sixteenth year. My best wishes to the new Committee.

Don't forget the Junk Sale, coach trip and Beer & Skittles during the autumn.

Would someone please run a regular Morse class during the autumn.

Bob, 64BWB

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How to decode sales literature

*New:* Different colour from previous design  
*All new:* Parts not interchangeable with previous design  
*Exclusive:* Imported product  
*Unmatched:* Almost as good as the competition  
*Design simplicity:* Manufacturer's costs cut to the bone  
*Foolproof operation:* No provision for adjustment  
*Advanced design:* Nobody understands it  
*It's here at last:* A rush job  
*Field tested:* Manufacturer has no test equipment  
*High accuracy:* Unit on which all parts fit  
*Rugged:* Too heavy to lift  
*Lightweight:* Lighter than rugged  
*Years of development:* Finally got one that worked  
*Unprecedented performance:* Nothing else ever worked like this  
*Revolutionary:* Different  
*Energy saving:* Achieved when power switch is "off"  
*Distinctive:* A different colour or shape  
*No maintenance:* Impossible to fix  
*Redesigned:* Previous faults may have been corrected  
*Hand crafted:* Machine that assembles it is operated without gloves  
*Performance proven:* Will operate through warranty period  
*Meets quality standards:* Manufacturer's, not customer's

Collected by Dave, G49PJ

Mostly true

Those who visit newsagents will have noticed the number of magazines dealing with Amateur Radio rapidly increased recently, with both new magazines and old ones revising their editorial policy. However, the quality of some of the articles is abysmal.

The last pile of drivel noted is in the September 1984 issue of "Amateur Radio" in the column "On the beam" by G8MWR. Initially he sets himself up as experienced ("on 2 metres ... since 1949...") and ace operator ("I managed 5 & 9 from UC2AAB in NN..."). Bolstered by this he then goes on to attack those who are not like himself - in at least five different categories.

Just who does this individual think he is ? (Hint - he often uses the royal plural). Let me point out that Al Lies has been on 2m since 1888, changed Marconi's nappies and works VK on 1000 GHz before breakfast every day. G8MWR views should be treated with contempt by all decent SARC readers.

SARC readers may be interested to learn of other happenings in the radio world. In August this year, G4FRX (assistant to the RSGB's general manager) stated at a combined meeting of several Sussex clubs, that the 50 MHz band is expected to become available to Class A & B amateurs at the end of this year. Other usually reliable sources have advised Al Lies that this is not likely.

Al, LIES

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## Events

### PULL-OUT SECTION

Keep this sheet to remind you what is happening at your Club

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|-----------------|--|
| 12 October 1984 | Annual General Meeting<br>You can vote if you are a member                                   |
| 26 October      | Junk Sale<br>Sell your junk, buy others' bargains  |
| 27 October      | Coach Trip to Granby Halls - see G4BWB<br>For those that have any money left                 |
| 9 November      | "Atomic Absorption Spectroscopes" - G4DPJ<br>You've got to come just to hear this pronounced |
| 23 November     | Film night<br>?  |
| 7 December      | "Aerial Antics" - G3HKA<br>A trapeze act   |
| 14 December     | Radio Film & Raffle<br>??  |
| 5 January 1985  | Beer & Skittles - Royal Oak, Nailsea - see G4BWB<br>Highlight of the year                    |
| 11 January      | CEGB film - G4GAR  |
| 25 January      | Dean II - G4DPJ  |

# Subscriptions

1984/85 subscriptions now due - a mere £10  
Students & DAP's £5  
See G4GAR

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WANTED

Transverters - 5w, 4w, 2w & 70ca output from a 10w input. Preferably solid state but valved considered if a decent power supply is included. Details to G4FRD.

SALE

Yaesu FT-101 hf transceiver. Covers 1.8, 3.5, 7, 10, 14, 21, 27 & 28 MHz. 260 watts peak envelope power input. AM, USB, LSB, CW (with 250 Hz filter). Mains or 12 volt dc input. RF speech processor, etc. This rig even won nfd 17 MHz). £350. See Colin, G3YHV or tel 683182.

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