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The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Iowa City Amateur Radio Club will be held August 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the First-National Bank, 1117 William Street, Towncrest area of Iowa City. The program is yet to be announced.

MEMBERSHIP

QUESTIONAIRE

No.

August

In last month's issue of the Rag, a questionaire for all members was enclosed. To date I have received 17 of these back out of 43 sent out. It is important that these be returned to me as soon as possible, whether you are licensed

returned to me as soon as possible, whether you are licensed or not, inactive or active. The information is required for renewal of our ARRL affiliation and is a condition of membership in the Iowa City Amateur Radio Club as specified in the Constitution. These forms are self addressed, and will take only about three minutes of your time to complete, fold, tape, stamp and mail (or bring to the August meeting with you.) Please, members, cooperate and send back the forms!

--KØUJJ

This issue of the Rag will be shorter than usual because of a malfunctioning typewriter and a lack of time on the part of the Editor. I hope that next month's issue will be back to the usual 4 pages.

The recent Bicentennial Celebration contest sponsored by the ARRL was one of the best contests in memory, with lots of stateside and DX both available for the working. Two Iowa City stations worked the contest: WØPPF and KØUJJ. George reports he made 122 contacts and worked 30 states. Craig made 235 QSO's, worked all 50 states and 7 countries. Now it sure would be nice to hear a few more locals working a contest like that......

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NOVICE PHONE PRIVILEGES are to be proposed to the FCC by the ARRL. The League Board of Directors voted in Denver to petition the Commission to immediately add 145-145.5 and 222-225 MHz CW, AM and FM with 50 watts DC input to the Novice frequency bands.

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The Iowa City Amateur Radio Club received a nice bit of publicity in last Sunday's Des Moines Register with the publication of a letter from the club concerning the CB column that appears weekly in the Register. The letter was written by Jim Brady, WBØLKW and Signed by President Mike Nowack and 24 others. If you haven't read it, its worth looking up, as the position of Amateur Radio is very well stated by Jim.

WANTED: Heathkit SB-630 Station Console. Contact WBØMCX, Dennis, 337-4777.

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For Sale: Hallicrafters HT-40 Novice Transmitter and 12 crystals, Hammarlund HQ-110 Ham Band receiver. \$50 and 115 respectively. Marvin Cullison, Muscatine. 264-5348.

PROPAGATION AUGUST 2-17. Old Sol still hasn't changed his sleepy habits so the present low level of activity continues. DX conditions will continue to be as they have been recently, though the 21 MHz band will begin offering openings to Africa and some parts of the Pacific shortly.

Solar Disturbances should not be an important factor during the forecast period so little day-to-day variation is likely. In spite of shortening days, even the most dedicated 9-5er should find interesting DX conditions to occupy his leisure hours.

-hr REPORT

REMEMBER the Iowa City Amateur Radio Club meeting, Wednesday evening, August 11, 1976 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community room of the First National Bank Towncrest branch, 1117 William Street, Iowa City. A program of interest to all will

be presented. See you there!

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