

SHACKNEWS

HIGHVELD AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Second Quarter 2018



COMMUNICATION IS THE NAME OF THE GAME

The second quaterly quarterly meeting takes place on Saturday, 16 June at the home of Rex - 14:00 for 14:30. Don't forget subs are due - R50.00

The key of Reg Barnes, ZS6AHB is now silent (01-07-1934 to 21-05-2018)

Reg was at one time chairman of the Highveld Branch as it was known then, from the late 1970's to early 1980's.

See interesting story on page 2







We were following a lioness carrying her cub for around 2kms when we could see she was getting really tired. Suddenly, an elephant showed up and looked as if it was wanting to help the tired lioness! The elephant put its trunk down, the cub jumped up and the elephant started carrying the lion cub!! I never ever knew this was possible!

Submitted by Selwyn





In the 1970's Reg Barnes ZS6AHB performed one of the greatest humanitarian acts as a radio amateur member serving his country.

It was just after midnight, ONE NIGHT, when the Springbok Radio in Johannesburg received a call for help from LM Radio.

This call was rushed to the late Joe Asher ZS6BHL who was OIC of SAPWRR at the time. Reg who had his own twin engine aircraft at Lanseria Airfield in Jhb, immediately responded to assist in flying 50 litres of a very rare blood plasma to save the life of a Mozambican soldier who was dying after being shot in Nampula.

Finding this amount of RARE BLOOD around midnight took radio amateur members of WRR, searching the big city blood banks, around the whole of South Africa & it took an hour. Once it was located, it was rushed to Reg standing by at his aircraft, by Joe Asher ZS6BHL in his car, with the life saving cargo of Blood Plasma.

Reg flew off with this valuable cargo in total darkness, single handed & was assisted by radio amateurs on HF, while operating Aeronautical Mobile & kept in touch with all parties concerned for the entire flight to keep Reg informed.

LM Airport were alerted when to switch on huge search lights, to make it possible for Reg to be able to see & to land safely around 3am..

The authorities in LM had a military aircraft standing by to transfer the valuable crate of BLOOD & fly it to Nampula in the northern area of Mozambique.

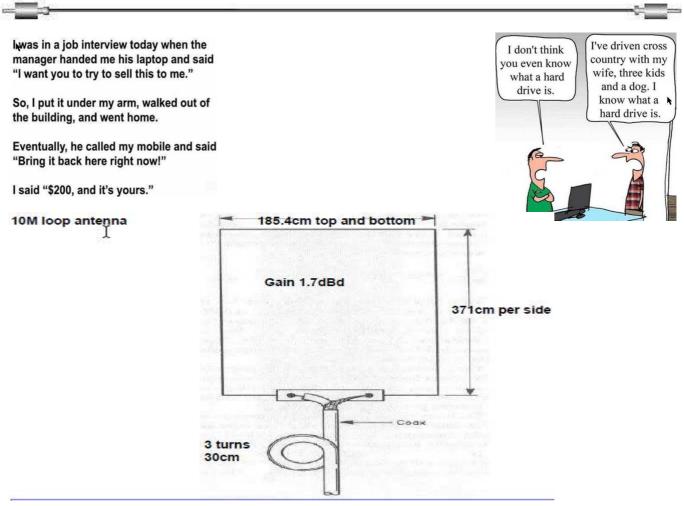
This was all done with precision & the blood arrived at the hospital in Nampula as the last drop of the Hospitals transfusion supply ran out.

The soldier was placed onto the blood from South Africa & a few hours later he showed signs of a recovery. His mother was there to see her son saved by Reg's voluntary service to a total stranger & saved the soldiers life. Reg flew back to JHB soon after that same morning & landed safely.

I saw the NEWS placard later that morning headed... RADIO MAN SAVES SOLDIER !!! The late Colonel Van Rensberg SAP OIC WRR in Bloemfontein remarked... "it sounded like a heroic fairy tale that makes all of us & Radio Amateurs, so proud. !!"

Submitted by Denis Wells ZS1AU.

From the SARL Forum

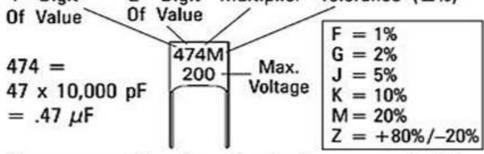


CAPACITOR GUIDE

The Result of Capacitor Code is Given in pF

1st Digit 2nd Digit Multiplier Tolerance (±%)

Of Value 0f Value



On some capacitors the value is shown as a straight number (4.7pF). On others the decimal point is replaced with the first letter of the prefix (4p7 = 4.7pF).

Prefix	Abbr.	Multiplier
pico	р	10-12
nano	n	10-9
micro	μ	10-6

1000 pico = 1 nano 1 nano = .001 micro 1000 nano = 1 micro

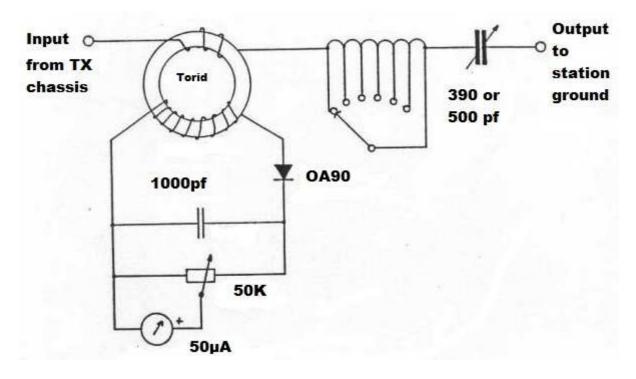
EXAMPLES:

$$223J = 22 \times 10^{3} pF = 22 nF = 0.022 \mu F$$
 5% $151K = 15 \times 10^{1} pF = 150 pF$ 10%

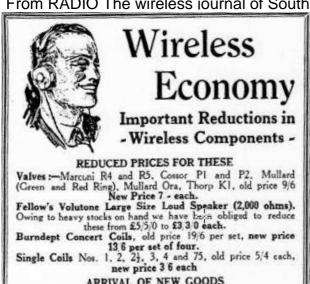




Tuneable station earth. you would have to experiment with Torid and tapped coil size and windings



From RADIO The wireless journal of South Africa November 1925



ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS

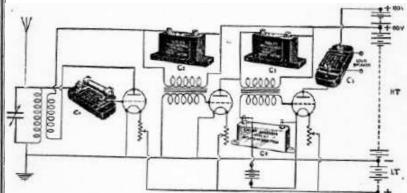
Square Wire Tinned Copper, 16 and 17 gauge 1d. per yard, 18 gauge 1d. per yard.

Ebonite for large panels up to 40 inches, dd. per square inch.
Redio Instruments (Transformers) 30 - each.

R.I. Dual Rheostats, 9:6 each. McMichael Vernier Condensers, 4:3 each. McMichael Neutrodyne Condensers, 3:9 each.

Send for Wireless List-a copy will assist you

Johannesburg



ACENTS: The Western Electric Co. Ltd. Cam Buildings monds Street (South) Johannesburg British General Electric Co. Ltd Cor. Loveday & Anderson, Sts Johannesburg, Capetown, Durban.



OUBILIER

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Monthly meeting venue

Every Third month

On the 3rd Saturday of the month at 14:30.

@ various venues

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