Gippsland Gate Radio and Electronics Club Inc.

Club Meetings are held on the third Friday of each month at the Cranbourne Girl Guide Hall in Grant Street.

The doors open at 8:15 PM & the meeting commences at 8:30 PM.

Visitors are most welcome. Committee Members 1996/1997

President	Ian Jackson	VK3BUF
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Treasurer	Paul Ash	VK3HSA
Committee member	Graham Brennan	VK3KCS
Social Co-ordinator	Reg Goddard	VK3UK

Magazine Editors & Robin Linn VK3TFA Printing and Dispatch Ph. (03) 9807 3083 Deadlines for articles is Thursday week prior to the Meeting.

Club Station VK3BJA Located at the Guide Hall

Club Repeater VK3RDD Freq. in 52.575, out 53.575 Mhz Call in Freqs. are HF on 28.325 Mhz, USB VHF on 146.225 Mhz, FM and UHF on 438.850 Mhz, FM

Current GGREC Inc Membership Fee Schedule Full Member \$30.00, Pensioner Member \$15.00 Junior Member \$15.00, Extra Family Member \$10.00 Fees due after each April Annual General Meeting.

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THE PRESIDENTS REPORT

The last Prac Night was for those who attended quite a lot of fun. Graem VK3XTA brought along his photo cd player which showed how images can be digitally preserved and presented as a slide show on your TV set. Paul. VK3TGX brought along a couple of antique reel-to-reel VCR players for a look and I set up a PC with flatbed scanner so that a few of the members could digitise some prints in preparation for SSTV broadcasts. Next month we hope to continue this theme, and with the help of our resident Slow Scan TV expert. Reg VK3UK, we will see if we can send and receive a few pics from the Club Rooms. If you are interested in the more practical aspects of radio and electronics, why not come along to the Prac Nights, usually on the 1st Friday of each month.

Pat and Peter Pavey have returned from their South Australian trip. Perhaps we can catch up with some of their experiences at this Friday nights meeting. I listened in a couple of times on the HF skeds on Sundays and Wednesdays and was pleasantly surprised to see that there were a few regular participants. Perhaps we will now be able to link up with Judy and Ron VK3EXJ on HF now that they have just departed on a trip of their own to the North.

At our last general meeting John Eyres and Keith Jones from the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard were our guest speakers. They gave an in depth look at how emergency communications on coastal and inland boating is managed. Their radio setup is quite extensive, and we have been invited to inspect the communications centre at Sandringham, some time in the near future. We have two windows of opportunity to choose between. August the 2nd or August the 9th. We shall select one of these dates at Friday's GM and give them a rough idea on how many will be attending.

Our Mid Year dinner is coming up fast, 6:30pm on Saturday the 12th of July. Tis is an important one as it commemorates the twentieth year of our Club. Details are elsewhere in this mag.

We have been able to continue our series of regulations and theory exams within the Club. There will probably be a July exam date as well. If you are interested in sitting any of these exams, call me on 9776 5000 soon, as we will be ordering papers ithin the next fortnight.

The Club Books were audited Last month by Tom Wilson VK3DTW. Details of the audit appear in this magazine. The results show that we nearly broke even, despite our expenditure on the ATV transmitters.

If you haven't already noticed, (and I hope you have) our 6 metre repeater is off the air. Ron, Max Colin and myself—visited the site recently and checked out the problem. Several thousand ants had infiltrated the repeater cabinet and had agreed to call the inside of the transmitter and receiver modules 'Home'. We killed (or frightened) most of them with half a tin of aeroguard, then hauled the transmitter and cavitics away for a more extensive cleaming and tune at my QTH. Hopefully it will be back on the air soon, that is just as soon as we iron out a few bugs.

All members both past and present are welcome to attend this years

Midyear Dinner

which celebrates the

20th Anniversary

of the founding of our Club.

When ... 6:30pm Saturday 12th July 1997

Where ... The Girl Guide Hall, Grant St Cranbourne.

What to bring ... Main meal, Drink, Cutlery, Crockery, Humour.

Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Profit and Loss

April 1996 through March 1997

	Apr '96 - Mar '97
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Classes	2,279.00
Fund raising	377.20
Membership Fees	490.50
Small Sales	42.00
Special Events	346.00
Total Income	3,534.70
Gross Profit	3,534.70
Expense	
Accommodation fee	100.00
Accounting Fees	18.67
Advertising	32.78
Equipment purchases	1,100.15
General Expenses	1,463.94
Govt. fees	32.00
License Fees	194.75
Magazine	277.04
Postage & Freight	139.45
Rent & Rates	406.50
Staff Amenities	15.80
Total Expense	3,781.08
Net Ordinary Income	-246.38
Other Income/Expense Other Income	
Interest Received	202.21
Total Other Income	202.21
Net Other Income	202.21
Net Income	-44.17

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GGREC ASSETS 1/4/97 1996/1997

IBM PC	\$1000.00
Soldering Iron	\$ 133.00
Nally Radio Tower	\$ 500.00
TH3 tri band antenna	\$ 150.00
UHF TV yagi	\$ 20.00
Jpole antenna	\$ 80.00
Antenna rotator	\$ 120.00
Power supply, 12V, 20A	\$ 100.00
Kenwood TS520S HF transceiver	\$ 350.00
Kenwood 2m transceiver, xtal locked	\$ 150.00
Digital frequency meter, 500Mhz	\$ 100.00
RF noise bridge, Palomar	\$ 80.00
Capacitance meter	\$ 40.00
6 metre J pole for 6m repeater	\$ 50.00
Power supply for 6m repeater	\$ 80.00
Repeater rack for 6m repeater	\$ 50.00
Diplexer unit for 6m repeater	\$1000.00
Transmitter/Receiver in 6m repeater	\$ 200.00
Stock held for small sales, drink coolers etc	\$ 120.00
White board & stand	\$ 300.00
12' x 24' tent	\$ 100.00
Club coax kit	\$ 130.00
Club equipment rack	\$ 400.00
Assets purchased this year.	
Desk mic for HF radio	\$ 50.00
TV decoder (VGA to Comp video)	\$ 349.00
ATV transmitters	\$ 721.00
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Total value of non monetary Assets* \$6073.00

Investment account with Cornerstone Bldg Soc. \$2500.00

Assets in Commonwealth bank and cash in hand as at 31/3/97 as per Database ledger: \$1048.65

Total assets as at 31/3/97 \$9621.65

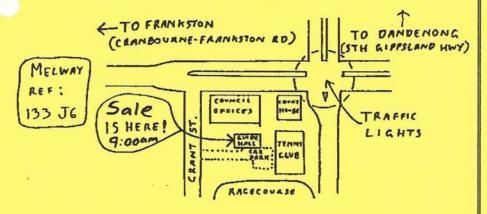
The value of assets are based upon a reasonable estimate by the Treasurer of their redeemable value should they be sold at the present date.

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GGREC White Elephant Sale

Saturday 19th July 1997

This will be held at the Guide Hall in Grant Street, Cranbourne.



The doors open for Sellers to set up at 7:30 am. \$10.00 a table, \$5.00 a half table.

The doors open for Buyers at 9:00 am.
Entrance fee \$2.00

For bookings or further information, please contact:

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