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VHF RTTY NEWS



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We often hear 'How does one set up a (RTTY) repeater?" The answer is about as simple as "How high is high"? Wouls like to relate our Southern Counties Amateur Teleprinter Society called SCATS, experiences in this endeavor Some of it is unique to our location and situation the rest you can benefit from our experience, good and bad. The first step is to secure a site. In Southern California we are dotted with lots of mountains up to a mile high providing maybe 100 miles or more range (200 mile portal to portal). Unfortunately most of these sites are crammed with commercial and Ham repeaters and all the VHF and UHF frequencies are already allocated and crowded. 146,10/70 Mhg. is the usual RTTY repeater frequency used by most but not all Groups nationwise. It is recommended to have a guardband (unused channel on each side) to avoid adjacent channel interference. The next step is to secure 6 major pieces of equipment; power supply, transmitter, receiver, terminal unit, duplexers and antenna. As a general rule we would recommend securing the very best equipment you can get (Commercial is usual); This to eliminate maintenance and interference problems. We made the mistake of obtaining "economy" Duplexers and a home brew power supply. The transciever is a Motorola Mobile which now has a super-Regulated-Filtered IBM Power Supply. The 'Motran' model is total solid state and is clean on a spectrum analyzer when transmitting alone, but we have an intermod Tx. problem when other transmitters mix with it. Some of the answers to eliminate interference generation is better cavities, a circulator and surprizingly a tube Final P.A., as transistors are more susceptible to these mixes. Unfortunately RTTY with its readily identifiable tones will cause other systems hearing them to automatically scream "Clean up your filthy Tx." A computer run of any potential potential mixes and a spectrum analyzer check are certainly desirable. Also keep the deviation of the AFSK Tones from the Repeater (as well as your own) to below 2Khz; and run the R.F. power conservatively as it may often be 100 per cent duty cycle for many hours. We'll go further next issue on the TU

and the fun operation to be had with a Computer, Net, Picture, Traffic, Ragchewing, 24 Hr. message service etc. Guess we're biased but we're convinced there is more satisfaction and enjoyment in RTTY than most anything else.

Received the Amateur Radio Research and Development Corp. (AMRAD) newsletter in Washington, D.C. area. Looks like they have a very progressive group of 200 technically-oriented Hams with numerous achievements such as; Computer training courses, Technical Library and on air Computing through their Voice, autopatch and RTTY Repeaters. Their total solid state repeater is the latest state of the art. Not being satisfied with status quo one of their future plams are for a 440Mhz. Repeater for ASCII Computer use (if approved). Keep up the good work!

As recently elected (railroaded) President of S.C.A.T.S. and Editor of our club bulletin "Scatter" we invite you to keep us and the "Journal," posted of your RTTY and club activities for everyones interest. Send us your newsletter. Sometimes wonder about the correspondence we receive though. For example: "Think you've got a great column - Please excuse my writing as they don't allow us anything sharp in this nuthouse."??

C U ENJOY ARNY -K6PXA



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THE RM-300 RTTY MODEM Howard L. Nurse, W6LLO 665 Maybell Avenue Palo Alto, California 94306

Operating RTTY on VHF FM is a joy. Bothersome fades, static crashes, interfering signals, and drifting VFO's do not stand between you and a QSO with a friend. Whether across town on simplex, or across the state through a repeater, VHF RTTY is a reliable trouble-free mode ideally suited for rag chewing or unattended operation.

The ingredients for a VHF RTTY station include a standard FM transceiver, a teletype machine, a terminal unit (demodulator), an AFSK oscillator(modulator), and a means of sending your call in Morse code as required by the FCC.

The RM-300 Modem (Modulator-Demodulator wasdevelopedto provide a simple way for those interested in VHF RTTY to get on the air. The RM-300 contains a phase locked loop (PLL) demodulator to convert the 2125/2295 Hz tones from your transceiver's speaker terminals to Teletype keying pulses a stable AFSK modulator to feed the microphone input of your transceiver, a read-only memory CW identifier, and autostart logic, all on a single 4 1/2 x 6" circuit board. A second board, the RP-400, contains loop and low voltage power supplies and loop keying circuitry. A photograph of a completed Modem is shown in Figure 1.

A schematic and board layout for the RM-300 are given in Figures 2 and 3, respectively. The three major functions contained on the circuit board are grouped on the schematic. The demodulator portion is shown in the top third, the AFSK modulator is in the middle third and the CW identification circuitry is in the bottom third of the schematic. Detailed descriptions of connections to and from the RM-300 circuit board are given in Table 1, while a photograph of the board is shown in Figure 4.

DEMODULATOR AND AUTOSTART

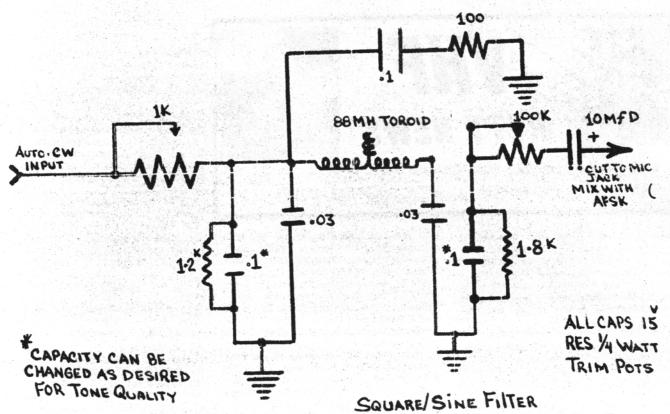
Audio from the transceiver is fed to the XR2211 PLL via pin 18 on the board edge connector. The PLL output on U1 pin 7 is at a TTL-compatible high level when the input tone is 2125 Hz (MARK) and low when the input tone is 2295 Hz (SPACE). The frequency at which the PLL switches from high to low is the PLL center frequency as determined by Center Frequency potentiometer, R3.

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WR6ACA repeater at Contractor's point Southern Califonia, So. Counties Amateur Teleprinter Society Top Panel: RCVR

Middle (open): TU w/ external AFSK &UART, both XTAL controlled.

Lower: transmitter 20 AMP. PWR supply bottom and duplexers.



HERE IS THE SCHEMATIC FOR THE AUTOMATIC CW ID'ER FROM LAST MONTHS ISSUE

FIGURE 1: Front view of a completed RM-300 Modem. The front panel was engraved at an engraving shop for a cost of \$.15 per letter.





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CHUCK EDWARDS W6MNO

Guess it is time again to see what we can find in our letter box to talk about.

One thing that we are going to try to do from now on is to improve our typing and spelling. We do recognize that we lack a lot in this respect

and will do our best to do better with each issue. In the past, we have held our head in shame, at some of the mispelled words and other errors. However, bear with us as we too are learning.

Wonder how everyone likes the new size and format of the JOURNAL? So far, the response has been gratifying. I even had a call from a fellow in New Jersey telling me how hw liked the new size. He said that he was glad that the JOURNAL had at last come into its own.

The nice red color that we had for the cover, last issue was due to our new outside job printer. It seems that he had that color on the press and thought that this was the color we wanted. Well rather than throw the whole batch away and run another batch we decided to go along with it and maybe, in the future look for a nice favor from the printer in return.

We have done one thing though, and I hope that it has been noticed. We were able to get the JOURNAL to the Post Office about two weeks earlier than usual. You should now receive it before the first of the month. Our publisher Dee, and yours truly, made you the promise that we would get it out on time and, by golly, we have.

Been getting a lot of responses to my question of a few issues ago. This question related to whether or not a KIM-L Microprocessor or similar type computer was a good idea for just simply communications management. like it was a good idea and have had a lot of really good incoming suggestions. I plan to write an article on all these inputs in the near future. Will have to buy one and play around with it awhile so that I can see and experience all the things that these fellows say can be done with one -it is amazing what they say can be done, and apparently so simply.

We would surely like to receive technical or amusing articles from our readers. We will run a bit dry here in a short time. With the JOURNAL now requiring over 100 linear inches more than before we need lots of interesting articles. Include such things as field days, conventions, experiences with new

equipment, simple or complex building projects, new designs and anything that you think you would be interested to see in print. Send them to my address or direct to the JOURNAL and I will be most happy to go over them and get them into print as quickly as possible. Another thing that we would like is more commentary on what we are doing to your JOURNAL. Shucks, after all, we are doing it for you, so if there are things that you see that could be improved why speak up!! Can't promise that we will stop the presses or redesign our methods, but we will surely take each suggestion under consideration.

Speaking of articles AMRAD is calling for papers for Amateur Computing 78 Festival. This festival will be held July 22-23 at the Sheraton National Hotel, Arlington, Virginia. Those interested in presenting a paper, participating in a panel discussion, displaying a computer system, or sponsoring a tutorial should submit a letter of intent, along with a one page abstract or outline, by April 15th to: John Miller, Program Chairman, 6921 Pacific Lane, Annandale, VA 22003, or phone (703) 256-5702. Authors will be provided with instructions for camera ready papers which will be due June 1, 1978. John says that topics concerning Amateur Radio applications of microcomputers will be especially welcome.

Information on "Amateur Computing 78" may be obtained by writing: AMRAD PO Box 682, Mclean, VA 22101.

Sounds like an interesting meeting especially to those interested in Amateur Communications applications. Wish i could go!

By the way Listen for the San Diego Teleprinter society netz. This net is on the low bands at 3607.5 plus/minus as necessary to avoid QRM. This will be a weekly net on Wednesday evenings at 7:00P.M. PST. This is a newly formed group of active RTTYers and they plan to spread out all over the USA. So listen in on their frequency and see if you can hear them and check in. It is nice to help a new group just getting started. They plan to have an auto start and sel cal operation on this same frequency, as soon as there are enough operators crystalled up to make it worth while.

See you next month--73 de W6MNO Chuck.

SOME IDEAS ON AUTOMATIC STATION CONTROL

Jim Eadie, VE3DCX

Anumber of excellent articles have appeared in various publications describing electronic stunt boxes, SELCAL units, and message generators. In the past year or so I have built a number of these units, and finally decided to put the whole thing together in one package. I am about to describe the control and interface circuitry used at my station to combine a SELCAL and message generator for unattended operation of the RTTY station. Some portions of the circuit may find useful applications in other projects you may have in mind. It is suggested if you are not familiar with the "selcal" that the article written by VE6 BV appearing in the February 1975 issue of "73 Magazine" is required reading.

The SELCAL used at this station has 3 independent "character sequence recognizers" each requiring 4 selected characters be received in order to turn on. Two of them are used to activate the message generator, and one for the T.D. The message generator may be activated alone, however, if the T.D. is activated, the message generator must be activated before the T.D. will

operate. The message generator contains station identification in both CW and RTTY(see Dec. 75 issue "RTTY JOUR-NAL"), thus the station will always be identified at the end of a trans-mission

The PTT line turning the transmitter off and on is protected with a timer so that the carrier will remain on the air for no more than 2 minutes under any circumstances. Another timer circuit is also included so that the transmitter is not activated until 5 seconds after the received carrier drops out. assuming the SELCAL has been activated. While a signal is being received, input F (Fig.1) is held high. When the carrier drops out, input F goes low, and after 5 seconds elapses the output of U9C goes high, activating gates U11A and U12B.

Jim Eadie, VE3DCX RR#1 Thomasburg, Ontario, Canada

Continued from Page 3 The PLL output signal is invertible U4 and applied to the anti-specircuitry (U5 and U6-C) and the ing inhibit gate U2-A. FIGURE 2 Continued RM-300 RTTY MODEM PARTS	pace key-	man jogged in the Public Fin pulled a gun, money from He took \$800 the office, s	d, California, and the office of ance Company and demanded the employees in cash and leftill jogging	of d s. t
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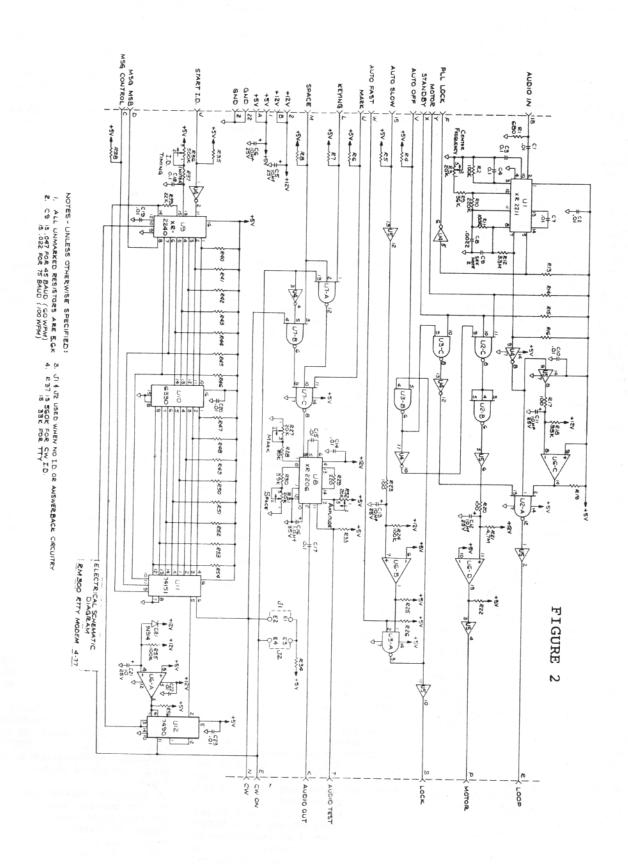
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The anti-space circuitry prevents -Space tones longer than approximately 200 milliseconds from keying the loop. The output from U5 pin 2 clamps the voltage across Cll near ground as long as the PLL is detecting a MARK tone. A space tone allows the voltage across Cll to rise at a rate determined by R18. If the voltage rises above 5 volts, the output of U6-C goes low, which forces the loop into MARK-hold.

The autostart circuitry and the standby logic can be used to force the loop into MARK-hold. The PLL contains a carrier detector which has a TTLcompatible output on pin 5 of Ul. This output is low when a signal within the lock range of the PLL is detected. The carrier detect output, after inversion by U4, can be used to control the FAST or SLOW modes of the autostart function. The FAST mode allows the Modem to respond immediately to a detected signal, which gives sufficient noise immunity on VHF circuits. When a carrier is detected by the PLL, the LOCK output (edge connector pin5) goes low. This output can be used to control a LED on the Modem front panel.

If the AUTO OFF input (edge connector pin V) is grounded or a carrier has been detected, and the STANDBY input (pin X) is high, the loop can be keyed by the PLL because pin 13 on U2-A is high.

The open collector loop output from U5 pin 2 is high for MARK and low for SPACE. It can be connected directly to a loop keying transistor or to the serial input of a UART.

The MOTOR output (pin P) is low when a signal has been detected, the STANDBY input is grounded, or the MOTORinput(pin Y) is grounded. The -MOTOR output will stay low for app. 25 seconds after a signal has dropped. This timing is determined by the RC time constant of R21 and C12.

AFSK MODULATOR

The heart of the AFSK modulator is an XR-2206 Function Generator integrated circuit. It produces low distortion sine wave tones at a frequency determined by capacitor C15 and the resistance between pin 7 or 8 and ground, depending on the control input on pin 9. When pin 9 is high (MARK) R27 is used to set the output frequency to 2125 Hz, and when pin 9 is low (SPACE), R31 is used to set the output frequency to 2295 Hz. The output frequency can be monitored at the -AUDIO TEST output (pin T) which provides a TTL-compatible square wave replica of the function generator output waveform.

The output level from the AFSK modulator should be adjusted to match the requirements of your transmitter audio circuitry using potentiometer R32. The output amplitude can be adjusted to a maximum level of approximately 5 volts

peak-to-peak.

All control inputs to the AFSK modulator are TTL-compatible. The teleprinter keyboard signals are applied to the KEYING input (pin L). Consistent with the design convention used throughout the board, a high input yields a

MARK tone while a low input yields a SPACE tone. MARK and SPACE override inputs are provided on pins U and M, respectively. These inputs can be used to force the AFSK modulator to either state despite information present on the KEYING input. The remaining control input to the AFSK modulator is from the CW identifier. CW IDENTIFIER

The CW Identifier output signals include the CW keying line, which provides full shift keying, and a CW ON control line which precludes all other keying when it is active. The CW Identifier, started by momentarily grounding the START ID input (pin J), causes either "O" or "." characters to be printed by the receiving station. The timing and memory programming required to accomplish this format were described in the January 1974 issue of Ham Radio. One new feature, available with the

"O" option, is the ability to have two

call signs in the read-only memory.

One call sign is accessed by grounding the MSG CONTROL, pin C, while the other is obtained by leaving pin C open. If your call is too long to fit in one half of the memory (128 bits) the whole memory can be used by connecting the MSG MSB Output, pin D, to pin C on the edge connector. On-off control of the CW identifier is accomplished with U9, an XR-2240, which contains as oscillator, an eightstage divider, and a control flip-flop. The timing of the CW output is established by adjusting the I.D. TIMING potentiometer, R36. Five of the eight divider outputs from U9 address the 32 bytes of memory in UlO, while the remaining three extract the CW characters from the selected bytes with multiplexer Ull. Decade counter Ul2 monitors the CW input for consecutive "blanks", and afer it detects eight, turns off the control flip-flop in U9.

count when power is first applied. ADJUSTMENTS

Proper adjustment of the Modem requires a frequency counter and a voltmeter or oscilloscope. The Modem can be adjusted with help from another station who has a counter or an AFSK oscillator/demodulator which is known to be calibrated.

Comparator U6-A and its associated

circuitry resets the decade counter so

the counter starts with the correct

AFSK Generator: Connect a counter to AUDIO TEST, PIN T.

Ground MARK, pin U. Adjust R27 (M) to obtain a counter reading of 2125Hz. Move the ground lead from pin U to SPACE, pin M. Adjust R31 (S) to obtain a counter reading of 2295Hz. Use a voltmeter or oscilloscope connected to AUDIO OUT, pin K, to adjust the output to a level compatible with your transmitter audio input using R32 (A). Remove the ground lead.

Phase Locked Loop (U1): Use a jumper to connect Audio out, pin K, to AUDIO pin 18. Connect an oscilloscope or voltmeter to Hex inverter U4-8. (This voltage will swing between ground and approximately 3 volts.) Ground MARK, pin U, and adjust R3 (CF) until the Hex inverter output goes high. Remove the ground from MARK, pin U and and ground SPACE, PIN M. While counting turns, adjust R3 until U4-8 just goes low. (R3 should be adjusted in a CCW direction.) Divide the number of turns by two and adjust R3 in a CW direction by that number.

CW Identifier Timing: This adjustment is most easily made with the aid of another station. Initiate an Ident while the other station monitors your signal with his printer. When the timing is adjusted correctly his printer should print 00000000.... with the number of O's determined by your call sign. If you have selected the Baudot ident option, adjust the timing with R36 until the other mmachine prints the encoded message correctly. POWER SUPPLY

The PR-400 Power Supply was designed to furnish the voltages required by the RM-300 in addition to an auxilliary -12 VDC supply for other circuitry you may wish to add, such as a UART. Included on the board are: 2 80 VDC, 60 ma loop supplies

1 plus 12 VDC, 100 ma

l plus 5 VDC, 300 ma logic supply 1 -12 VDC, 100 ma auxilliary supply A high voltage loop keying transistor is also located on the RP-400 Power Supply board. Aphotograph of an RP-400 board is shown in Figure 5, while a schematic and parts layout for the board are given in Figures 6 and 7, respectively.

The loop supplies run from a voltage doubler consisting of Clol, CR101 and CR102. The resulting DC is filtered by Cl02 before being sent to the adjustable wirewound resistors, R101 and RL)@.

Two suggested ways of connecting your Teletype machine to the loop supplies and keying transistor are shown in Figure 8. The usual connection, with the selector magnets and keyboard contacts in series, is shown in Part A of the figure. Resistor R104 provides a TTL-compatible low level when loop is open. If you desire separate selector magnet and keyboard connections, use the wiring diagram shown in Part B of Figure 8. Split wiring might be used when you wish to use the output of a repeater to provide local copy through a demodulator. By operating in this manner it is possible to tell instantly if you arn't making it through the repeater.

The low voltage power supplies are similar to each other in design. Each has a half wave rectifier, filter capacitor, and three terminal regulators. CONSTRUCTION

The RM-300 Modem board, RP-400 Power Supply, solid state motor control relay and power supply fit nicely inside a 12" x 12" x 3" "MODULINE" enclosure. A photograph of the inside of the completed Modem is shown in Figure 9.

A schematic showing one way to conect the boards, front panel controls, and rear panel connectors is shown in Figure 10. Variations on this writing Figure 10. Variations on this wiring will be dictated by your own station requirements.



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Greeting to all

From Erik, SM5EIT the out going traffic manager for SARTG new officers for SARTG: President is SM6ASD, Bo Stjeernberg, Sagspansgatan 21, S41680 Gothenburg. Editor SARTG News:SM6 EBM, Bjorn Garpman, Bjornbarsvegen 12, S-43400 Kungsbacka. ztraffic Manager:SM6GVA, Goran Johamsson,Eriksbergs skola, S- 524 00 Herrljunga. W7VCM, Jack Taylor is now K700. WAC RTTY # 52 for I5HZZ and WAC RTTY #53 for I5GZS.

DXCC #3, 130 countries confirmed for I5KG, Giovanni has worked 138 to date. EL2AG has been active on 20 meters QSL via PO box 3049 A Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

Bad news for RTTY DX'ers that are looking for KM6BI. Pat reports that he is being transferred to KL7 land. Those working him from KM6 can QSL via Pat Shaughnessy, 18245 First Avenue South, Seattle, Washington 98148.

Dusty, WA3IIK reports OD5AO a semirare country is putting in a good 20 over S9 signal into the east coast.



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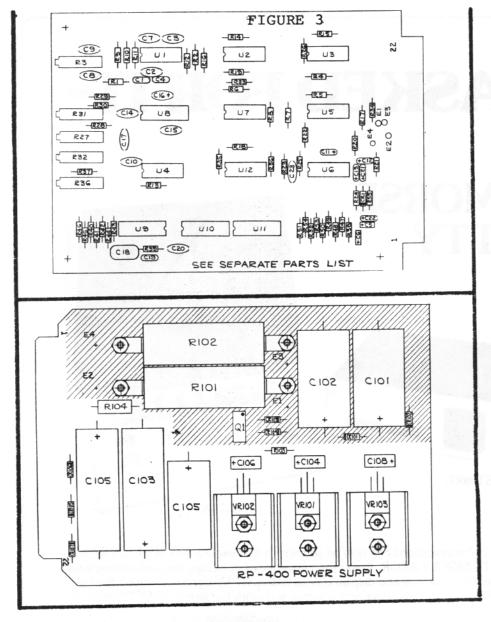
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(NOTE)

From The Publisher Dee Crumpton

The roof over the office leaks, the plumbing has finally been unclogged, the basement is no longer an indoor swimming pool, and the unplanned lake in the yard has dried out. Today the sun is shining and everything looks bright as a new penny.

I want to take this time and space to thank all of you wonderful Amateur Radio Operators out there. Your cards and letters and telephone calls have all helped me keep my chin up and my spirit intact.

I felt that I had to do something for you in return. So here is the new RTTY JOURNAL. I hope you like YOUR magazine.

Please keep your articles coming in and also pictures of you and your shacks. Black and white glossy pics are the best. We will need a lot of material to keep the JOURNAL at its present size.

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The new RTTY HANDBOOK is coming along just fine and will rolling off the press around March 1st.

My staff and I all wish to say that it is great working with and for the greatest bunch of people around.

Best 73's de DEE

DID YOU KNOW:

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Glenn, K3SWZ is at H18 land but his
Hal gear is down. H18XDJ will be on
again as soon as the gear is working.
He is printing but that doesn't help

anyone!

EA6CK has been active and into the east coast with a very good signal. KØPJ/6 worked 5T5JD who is only using 80 watts, Paul says he had a good signal so must have an excellent antenna system.

From Gin, JAIACB comes word of hearing or working a few VS6's, KA 6's and 9M2's. KG6SW on Saipan is active on RTTY on ten meters.

The Giant RTTY Flash Contest was almost over before I realized that it was on. Some how the information got to me very late. Surface mail takes up to three months to arrive here. As a result very few RTTY'ers in the US were active during this event.

Please note all information pertaining to DX activity should be mailed to me directly as there is another delay of a day or three in getting it from the office.

John, W3KV has many inputs this month. After having had many QSOs with Henri Coste as FO8BS and LU2ESB all will be glad to know that he is again QRV with his home call F9SO.

OSL INFORMATION:

Miguel, EA6BG, Juan Alcouaie, Palma, Mallorca, Fernando, EA8IY, Box 6, Observatorio De Iyana, Tenerife, Canary Island.

5Z4PD ,Wolfgang Ritcher, Box 14829, Nairobi, Kenya. OYIA, Arne again active but very weak stateside. FP8DF, Peter Box 41, St. Pierre at Miquelon for QSL. The Vatican, HV3SJ with Father Ed at the keys made a rare showing on Christmas Day.

A near future possibility is GJ5TU, John from Channel Island of Jersey. OD5AD, Ray, in Beirut using Hal DS3000 video QSL via FØDDA.

OD5JW, Wassim, also active, he is also Jy4JW. 3A2FB, Ray is very active

using viseo from Monaco.

In late December Paolo, 5N2TWO, showed up on 14 MHZ with super signal. Said to QSL TO CTO, Impresit, Backolori Talata, Mafara, Nigeria. Said he would send a Panoranue QSL card. EI5BH, Paull, about the only station QRV from the Republic of Ireland on HF bands. One other is Jim, EI5C who is in the military in Dublin.

Fantastic activity from remote Reunion Island. Latest QRV is Jean, FR7AB QSL to Box 278, St.Denis, Reunion. With Roland FR7AB and Michel FR7 ZS also QRV one should have no trouble contacting this rare prefix.

In eastern Canada Zone 2 has always been hard to come by. Usually you had to land a VO2 in Labrador.Now QRV is VE2NL in Northern Quebec Province.

A good catch in a contest.

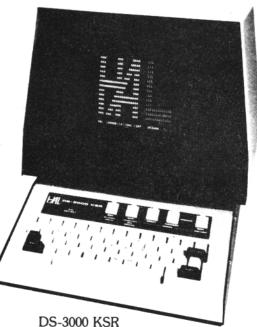
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Robin, G8LT now has an excellent column on HF activity in the BARTG Publication 'Newsletter'. Thanks John. 73 de SKIPS

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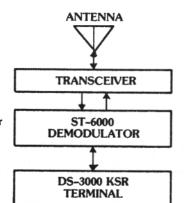


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PLL LOCK/F	TTL High when PLL locked to input signal.
MOTOR/Y	When grounded causes MOTCR/P to go low.
STANDBY/X	When grounded causes MOTOR/P to go low and LOOP/R to go high (MARK level).
AUTO OFF/V	When grounded forces Modem into receive mode without control by the PLL LOCK/F function.
AUTO SLOW/15	0.5 Second Autostart control line.
AUTO FAST/W	Instantaneous Autostart control line.
MARK/U	When gounded forces AFSK modulator to MARK.
KEYING/L	Normal RTTY keying line. MARK (2125 Hz) is high and SPACE (2295 Hz) is low. This input is overridden by CW Ident cycle.
SPACE/M	When grounded forces AFSK modulator to SPACE.
+12/2,B	+12 VDC at 20 ma max.
+5/1,A	+5 VDC at 200 ma or less.
START ID/J	Momentary ground starts CW Ident cycle.
MSG MSB/D	Logic low for first 128 cycles of CW Ident.
MSG CONTROL/C	When grounded enables first half of CW Ident memory. When high, enables second half.
LOOP/R	Loop control output, high for MARK and low for SPACE. Can sink 40 ma at 15 volts.
MOTOR/P	Output goes low to turn on motor. Can sink 40 ma at 15 volts.
LOCK/S AUDIO TEST/T	Output goes low when PLL has locked. AFSK Oscillator test output. 5-volt p-p.
AUDIO OUT/K	AFSK Modulator output, 600-Ohms, 6 v p-p max.
CW ON/E	Output goes low during CW Ident.
CW/N	Output goes low during each Ident key closure.

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FIGURE 9: Photograph of RM-300 Modem interior. Solid state motor control relay is near the power cable at the rear of the chassis. The RM-300 board is below the RP-400 power supply board.

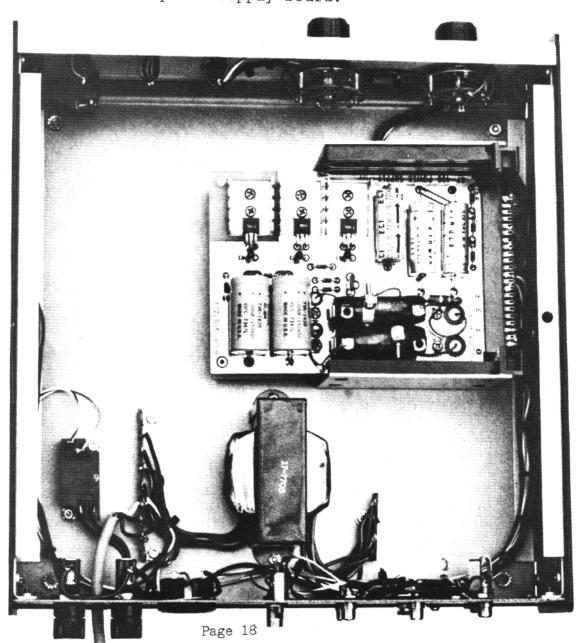


FIGURE 5: Photograph of RP-400 Power Supply circuit board. The board is 4½" x 6" in size. See parts list for RP-400 Kit information.

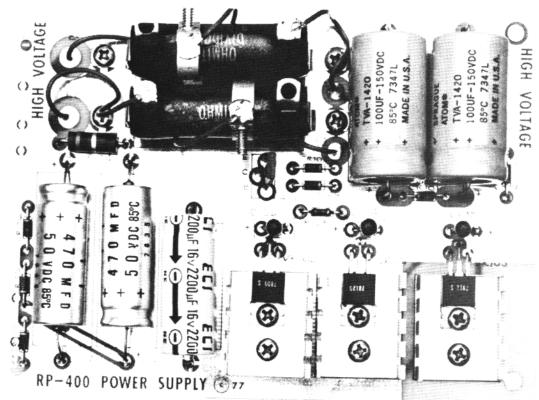
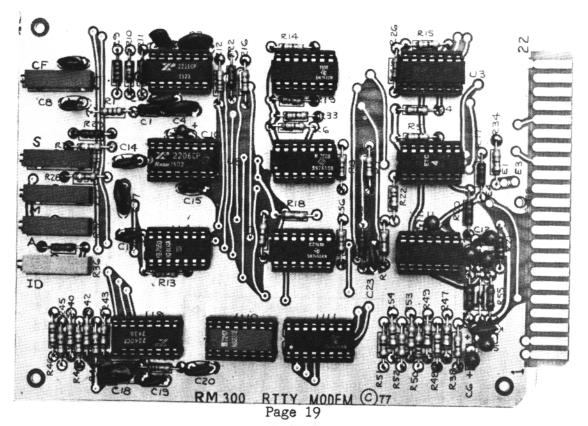


FIGURE 4: Photograph of RM-300 Modem circuit board. The board is 4½" x 6" in size. See parts list for RM-300 Kit information.



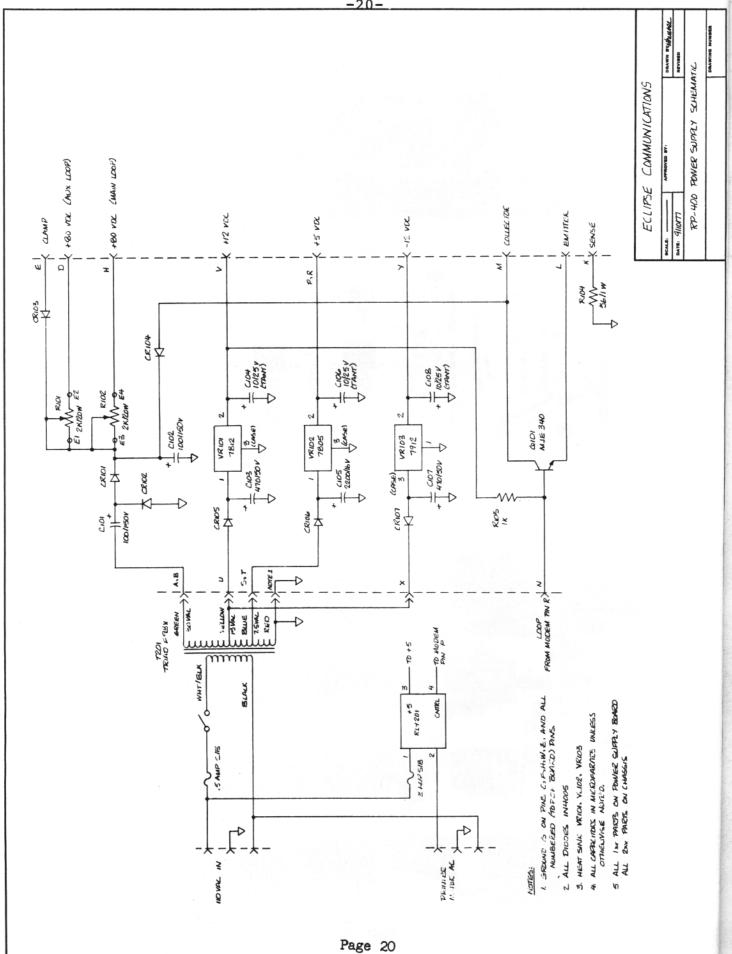
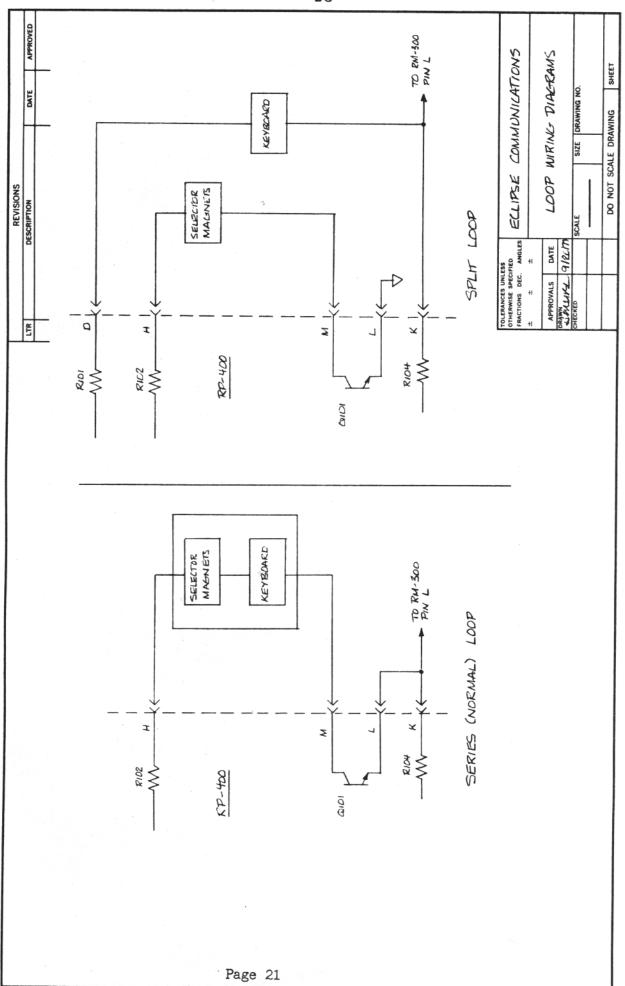
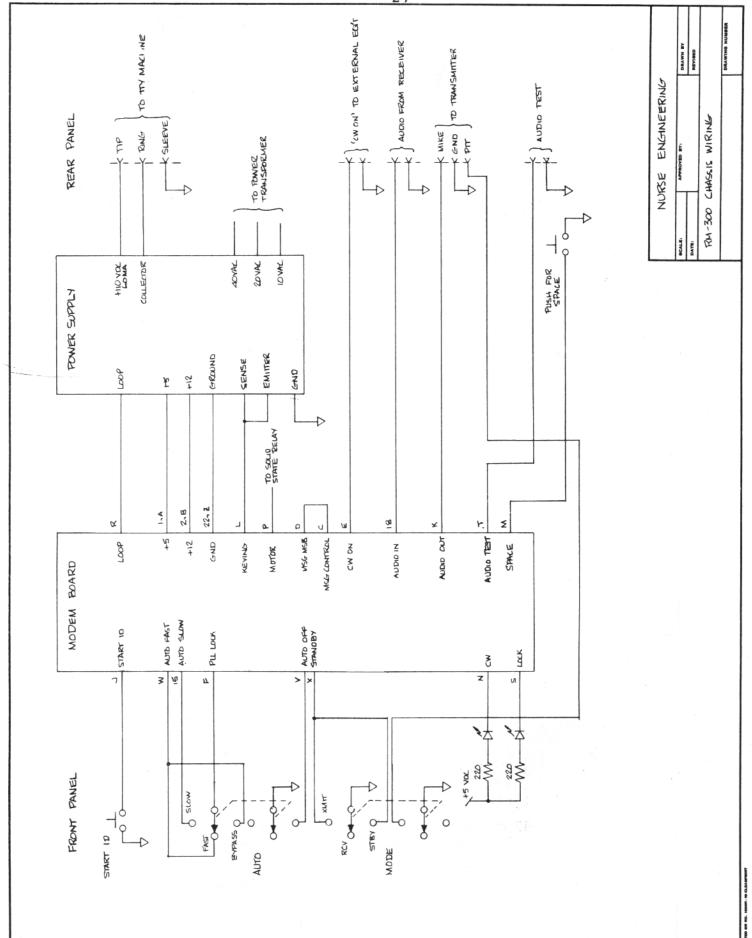


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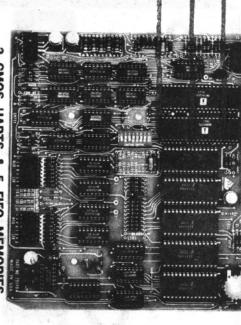


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