



# SRJ - B L A D E T

Årgång 49                      Nr 2



1996-01-20

Årsmötet hölls häromdagen traditionsenligt i Turebergs OK:s klubbstuga (TACK Turebergs OK för lånet) med deltagande av OY/Lasse, RGH/Johan, IWH/Gösta, SVM/Hans, AKF/Bosse, KON/Olle, Gunnar S, Gunnar F, Clas T samt red. Som ordförande valdes red, sekreterare Clas T och justeringsmän OY/Lasse och AKF/Bosse.

Vi började med bastu och fika och fortsatte sedan med att avhandla de vanliga frågorna om klubbens verksamhet under det gångna året, vad som skall ske i form av jakter under det kommande samt avslutade med prisutdelningen. GRATTIS Olle, till din förstaplats!

Årsmötet fastställde medlemsavgiften till oförändrade 50,- trots ökade portokostnader. Bokslutet med kassörens kommentarer bifogas; dock saknas revisor Svens kommentarer eftersom han fortfarande befinner sig i Australien. Har han deltagit i några rävjakter där?

Både i förra och detta blad kan du läsa om jakter där och i USA, uppsnappade av OY/Lasse över Internet. Där finns också numera en hemsida om rävjakt av SVM/Hans; hur den ser ut ser du längre fram.

Bifogat finns också, mycket försenat, protokollet från SM-mötet förra året.

Det blev en ganska häftig diskussion om hur många jakter vi orkar med att arrangera, med tanke på det krympande antalet aktiva jägare och arrangörer, och det slutade som följer med årets preliminära jaktprogram:

Jan. 28: BGU/PA	Aug. 7: KON/Olle
	14?: SVM/Hans / IWH/Gösta
Febr. 24: Gunnar S	20?: AKF/Bosse
	24/25?: SM 96
Mars 3: RGH/Johan	Dessa datum är osäkra
17: RGH/Johan	eftersom SM-datum inte
	är fastställt!
31: 1:a apriljakten	
Clas T/Gunnar F	Sept.1-6: EM i Bulgarien
April 10: BGU/PA	11: Lennart B
20/21: Nat. jakt/Skåp-	18: OY/Lasse
jakt VRK	29: IWH/Gösta / Sven C
24: OY/Lasse	Okt. 6: BGU/PA
Maj 1: AKF/Bosse	13: AKF/Bosse
11/12: Nat. jakt SRJ	20: Sten S
22: Clas T	27: EJY/Anders
29: HBV/Bengt	Nov. 1-3: KM/Gunnar F
Juni 5: Gunnar F	17: Kalle
8/9: Nat. jakt ÖSA	24: CZI/Klas
12: KON/Olle	Dec. 1: Kalle
19: Gunnars mara	8: Kalle
?? MOROKULIEN?	31: Gunnar S

Jakter med kursiv stil blir s k "mysjakter", dvs jakter i mycket snäll terräng (parker t ex) för att introducera nybörjare, som ALLA uppmanas ta med sig från jobbet, hemmet eller skolan. Meningen är, att dessa nybörjare skall prova på rävjakter under ledning av en erfaren jägare, för att senare kunna agera på egen hand. Detta kan kanske vara ett utmärkt sätt att rekrytera nya jägare!

Därmed över till **KOMMANDE JAKTER:**

Söndag 28.1: Samling kl 10.00 vid Ursviks motionsgård för inledningsjakten på 1996 års jaktsäsong  
Arr. BGU/PA

Lördag 24.2: Samling kl 17.00 vid Sundby friluftsgård (telekartan 50/D5) för årets första, traditionella **NATTSKIDRÄVJAKT** (om vädret tillåter förstås). Därefter bastu och fika hemma hos arrangören Gunnar S.

Söndag 3.1: **MYSJAKT!** Samling kl 10.00 vid Skavlötens motionsgård  
Arr. RGH/Johan

Söndag 17.3: Semmeljakten! Samling kl 10.00 vid brandstationen i Näsbypark, telekarta 18/D3  
Arr. RGH/Johan och Ludmila, som bjuder på hemlagade semlor efter jakten

Söndag 31.3: **1:a apriljakten!** Kontakta Clas T/560 330 42 eller Gunnar F/654 71 01 om tid och plats

Onsdag 10.4: **1:a kvällsjakten!** Samling kl 19.00 vid Sandviks motionsgård i Viksjö (Sandviksskolan), telekarta 15/B5. Glöm inte pannlampan!!  
Arr. BGU/PA

Lördag eller söndag 20/21.4: **Nationell jakt i VRK, tillika årets Skåpjakt!**

Onsdag 24.4: **MYSJAKT!** Samling kl 19.00 vid Skavlötens motionsgård  
Arr. OY/Lasse

Onsdag 1.5: Samling kl 19.00 på P-platsen vid Grönsta/Lidingö, telekarta 26/C2  
Arr. AKF/Bosse

Lördag eller söndag 11/12.5: **Nationell jakt i SRJ**

Onsdag 22.5: **MYSJAKT!** Kontakta Clas T/560 330 42 om platsen

Onsdag 29.5: Samling kl 19.00 vid Altorps station i Djursholm, telekarta 18/D5  
Arr. HBV/Bengt

Med detta är en stor del av vårens jakter klara. Som vanligt gäller regeln, att vid god tillgång på snö gäller skidjakt!

**Vi ses i skogen eller i parken!**

Red. PA Nordwaeger/-BGU, Grävlingsvägen 59, 161 37 BROMMA  
tel. 08-26 02 27 (B), 08-621 36 79 (A), 010-212 59 95 (A)

**STOCKHOLMS RÄVJÄGARE**  
**BOKSLUT PER DEN 31/12 1995**

<b>Inkomster</b>	
Medlemsavgifter 54 st x 50 kr = 2700,-	2700,-
Gåvor	70,-
Överskott från SRJ/OPEN	353,50
Ränta på postgirokonto 1995	12,62
Bonus + ränta på postgirokapitalsamlingskonto	275,36
<b>Summa</b>	<b>3411,48</b>
<b>Utgifter</b>	
Portokostnader för 5 SRJ-blad	1148,40
Priser till poängserien	350,-
Förtäring till årsmötet	121,-
CM-gruppen, kartkopiering	250,-
Idrottsförsäkring	650,-
Amatörradiotillstånd	300,-
<b>Summa</b>	<b>2819,40</b>
<b>Överskott</b>	<b>592,08</b>

**BALANSRÄKNING PER DEN 31/12 1995**

<b>Ingående saldo</b>	
Postgirokonto	1027,74
Postgirokapitalsamlingskonto	6398,07
	<b>7425,81</b>
<b>Överskott</b>	<b>592,08</b>
<b>Utgående saldo</b>	
Postgirokonto	1344,46
Postgirokapitalsamlingskonto	6673,43
	<b>8017,89</b>

**KASSÖRENS KOMMENTAR TILL 1995 ÅRS BOKSLUT**

Portokostnaden för SRJ-bladet har åter stigit, vilket var beräknat. Den uppgick under 1995 till ca 1150 kr.

Vi fick ett överskott på närmare 600 kr för 1995 och har över 8000 kr i kassan. Kassören föreslår att medlemsavgiften bibehålls oförändrad, 50 kr/år.

Spånga, 1996-01-14

*Gösta Bergman*  
Gösta Bergman  
Kassör

- §1 Mötet öppnas**  
Mötet öppnades av P-A Nordwaeger.
- §2 Val av ordförande och sekreterare för mötet**  
Till ordförande valdes P-A Nordwaeger.  
Till sekreterare valdes Hans Sundgren.
- §3 Val av två justeringsmän**  
Till justeringsmän valdes Leif Zettervall och Bo Lenander.
- §4 Frågan om dagordningens godkännande**  
Dagordningen godkändes.
- §5 Föregående mötesprotokoll uppläses**  
Föregående mötesprotokoll (23 augusti 1994) upplästes av P-A. Inga frågor.
- §6 Val av styrelsemedlemmar i RPO-sektionen**  
Styrelsemedlemmar för RPO-sektionen 1995-96 valdes.

Valet var baserat på "Förslag till utbyggnad av RPO-sektionen inom SSA" som delades ut innan mötet.  
Se bilaga 1.

Ordförande:	P-A Nordwaeger	SMØBGU
Sekreterare:	Hans Sundgren	SM5SVM
Kassör:	Clas Thorén	-
Tävlingssamordnare:	Bengt Evertsson	SM4VMU

Valberedning:		
sammanställande	Gunnar Svensson	-
ledamot	Leif Zettervall	SM5EZM

I samband med valet av RPO-sektionen informerade P-A om ekonomin. Ca 73.000 kr finns "på kontot". Troligen kan Clas få teckna fullmakt för kontot (SSA ska diskutera med banken). Makedonien har inte betalt sin VM-avgift och det är svårt att driva in pengarna.

- §7 Nästa års SM-arrangör**  
För 1996 års SM-tävlingar ska P-A undersöka om Göteborg, Borås eller Eskilstuna kan ställa upp. Om inte någon av dessa kan ställa upp, med eller utan hjälp av andra klubbar, kommer SRJ att arrangera SM:et.
- §8 Nästa års NM-arrangör**  
Danmark står i tur och jaktområde blir troligen nordöstra Jylland, nära Fredrikshamn.

(nästa VM kommer att arrangeras 1997, 1998 och 2000)

**§9 Nästa års nationella jakter**

20-21 april VRK  
11-12 maj SRJ  
8-9 juni ÖSA

**§10 Nästa års skåpjakt**

I samband med VRK:s nationella jakt 20-21 april.

**§11 Övrigt**

**11.1 Nationella eller internationella regler?**

Hans Sundgren frågade om det ska vara internationella regler (som 1995) eller nationella regler på de nationella jakterna. Efter kort diskussion enades man om att banläggaren bestämmer.

Det var en allmän uppfattning att flera rävjägare starkt föredrar nationella regler med 7 rävar. Det blir också troligen fler löpare på de nationella jakterna om dessa arrangeras med nationella regler.

I den mån uttagningstävlingar för EM eller VM krävs (med internationella regler), får dessa arrangeras separat, t ex i samband med träningsläger.

**11.2 Bemannade rävar?**

På fråga från Göran Arvidsson fastställdes att de nationella jakterna inte behöver ha bemannade rävar utom på natten.

**11.3 Tidpunkt för SM?**

SM bör arrangeras en vecka senare än de senaste åren, dvs helgen 24 augusti eller 31 augusti. Detta för att inte krocka med RTTY test och för att ge tid för löparna att komma igång efter semestern. Koordineras med NM och EM.

**§12 Mötet avslutas**

Mötet avslutades av P-A.

Vid den efterföljande prisutdelningen meddelade Bengt Evertsson att det av honom instiftade SM-vandringspriset tillfaller den som har flest inteckningar år 2000. Idag (1995) har Bengt 3 inteckningar i priset.

**Bilaga 1: "Förslag till utbyggnad av RPO-sektionen inom SSA"**

Vid protokollet

  
Hans Sundgren SM5SVM

Datum: 95-08-21

Justeras

  
Leif Zettervall SM5EZM

Datum: 95-09-06

  
Bo Lenander SM5CJW

Datum: 95-09-07

## Förslag till utbyggnad av RPO-sektionen inom SSA

Hans Sundgren och Bengt Evertsson 950815

### Bakgrund

RPO-sektionen inom SSA har idag ansvar för en ekonomi som motsvarar en mindre radioklubb. Även om RPO-sektionen har fungerat och fungerar tillfredsställande, har den formella organisationen av sektionen blivit mer och mer otydlig för varje år. Exempelvis har inget protokoll skickats ut från årsmötet 1994. Årsmötena har dessutom en tendens att bli långdragna beroende på att det är enda tillfället RPO-folket formellt kan ventilera frågor.

Detta är anledningen till att vi föreslår en utbyggnad av organisationen för att sprida uppgifter på fler personer och dessutom få ett beslutsorgan som kan ta snabba beslut och som har representanter från flera aktiva klubbar.

Detta första år föreslår vi nedanstående personer i sektionen med önskemål om att nästa år få in representanter även från andra RPO-aktiva klubbar. Om behov finns kan sektionen byggas ut med ansvariga för olika områden, t ex *Ungdom/rekrytering, Teknik, Regler, Information, Materialförvaltare, etc.*

### Förslaget

*RPO-sektionen inom SSA dag:*

*Ordförande:* PA Nordwaeger

*RPO-sektionen inom SSA efter årsmötet 1995:*

<i>Ordförande:</i>	PA Nordwaeger	SM0BGU
<i>Sekreterare:</i>	Hans Sundgren	SM5SVM
<i>Kassör:</i>	Clas Thoren	-
<i>Tävlingsamordnare:</i>	Bengt Evertsson	SM4VMU

Ovanstående sektionsledamöter har tackat ja till uppgifterna inför 1995-96.

Sektionens ledamöter ska väljas (som vanligt) vid årsmötet i samband med SM varje år. Då väljs även en valberedare inför nästa årsmöte.

### Att göra på SM-mötet i Örebro

Alla närvarande RPOare väljer ovanstående ledamöter (eller eventuella motkandidater, eller andra förslag).

Diskutera vilka första uppgifter som sektionen ska syssla med, t ex skriva ner "stadgar".

# Radiopejlorientering på Internet

Nu finns det en hemsida för radiopejlorientering. Sidan innehåller information om:

- Hur RPO utövas
- Detaljer från världsmästerskapen med lista över alla världsmästare 1980-94
- Länkar till andra RPO- och orienteringssidor runt om i världen
- Länkar till radioamatörer och tillverkare av RPO utrustning
- Information om hur man prenumererar på RPO-information via "Fox-list".

Adressen är: <http://spitfire.ausys.se:8003/hsn/rpo.htm>

Sidan uppdateras minst var 14:e dag av Hans Sundgren, SM5SVM.

The screenshot shows a Netscape browser window with the title bar "Netscape - [Radiopejlorientering - Radio Direction Finding]". The address bar contains "http://spitfire.ausys.se:8003/hsn/rpo.htm". The main content area features a logo on the left and the following text:

**Radio Direction Finding**  
**Radiopejlorientering**

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**Other pages with radio direction finding**

**Australia**

The Melbourne Club has a home page for 144 MHz hunting by ear. Includes a list of

To: fox-list@netcom.com  
Subject: Albuquerque Oct 22nd Hunt Results  
Sender: owner-fox-list@netcom.com  
Precedence: list

Here's the results as posted on the K5QQ PBBS in Albuquerque NM. If any of you are in the area, check in or better yet, join us on a hunt.

MSG#2 10/25/95 18:55:39 FROM AB5P TO ALL SUBJECT:  
10-22 Hunt Report  
PATH: K5QQ

#### Results of the October 22nd, 1995 T-hunt

This T-hunt, as with many others, turned out to be quite different than what the hider (in this case, me) had planned. It was \*supposed\* to be an EASY hunt, in order to give new hunters a simple example of what T-hunts are all about. I set up a transmitter in the park just north of the Technical Vocational Institute (TVI), between Morris and Juan Tabo. The area is open (except for some scrub brush on the east side), and should have given a clear signal to the start point. The fox was running 1-1/2 watts into a rubber duck antenna, and should have put out a pretty decent signal to home in to. That was the plan, anyway.

The first hunter to show up was Joe AB5YC. Sandra KA5NQY and I were arked along Osuna, on the north side of the park, and about 40 feet from the fox, when we spotted Joe across the park and in the TVI east parking lot, turning his antenna and taking bearings on the fox. Soon, Joe drove back out, and around to Osuna, and parked about four cars behind us. Carrying his sniffing gear, he walked right past us, not recognizing Sandra's new car, but quickly sniffing out the fox. Calling out to Joe, I told him about the second transmitter which offered an optional sniffing challenge for those that wanted to find it. I was a little surprised when Joe later mentioned that the signal from the fox was not very strong.

The wind was pretty strong at times, making it uncomfortable to be out in the open.

The next hunter to show up was Tom WD5JMA. We spotted Tom in the TVI parking lot, too, and after he left there, soon was seen again in the parking lot on the south side of the park. Tom had no trouble sniffing out the fox, either.

Next we saw Jim K5QQ in the TVI lot. Instead of leaving there and coming all the way around to Morris and Osuna, Jim opted to drive down the dirt road to the south side of the park. While he was getting his sniffing gear together, we spotted Don KB5TMM also coming down the dirt road, passing Jim, and heading for the parking lot that Tom had parked in. Jim and Don also made short work of sniffing out the fox. Don was using the "Handi-Finder" sniffer.

The wind by now was getting quite cold, as a front passed over us from west to east. The temperature was about 47 degrees, but the wind chill seemed pretty cold.



We waited. And we waited. Then Jim began calling the two other hunting teams, including Jerry WB8WFK, and a new hunter riding with him: Tim Miller, and the other team: Tim N5UJG and a new hunter riding with him, Peter Adams.

While we were waiting, Jim's son: Mike N5UJN, who is also a T-hunter, called in to say "hello", and we chatted a bit. Mike was out running errands, so hadn't been able to hunt, or load his T-hunting gear in the car. Both missing teams seemed to be circling around us to the east and southeast. I think they were trying to get a higher vantage spot to get a good bearing, and were driving up nearer the mountain.

At some point, we began to hear Tim N5UJG and his partner Peter talking on the T-hunt frequency. Their microphone had stuck open! We could hear them discussing their last bearing, and strategy for how to proceed next. Eventually the mic became unstuck, and they went "off the air".

A bit later, we were surprised to see Mike N5UJN show up! Mike was not even hunting, so we wondered how he found us. It turns out that Mike had heard Tim and Peter too, and using the bearing they had spoken of, and guessing where they were when they took the bearing, he figured that the fox must be at Eldorado High School, near Montgomery and Juan Tabo, so he decided to drive by and visit. When he got there the signal was much stronger, so he drove north up Juan Tabo and as he was passing the park, saw a bunch of people standing around and guessed correctly that it was the T-hunter group!

By now, the wind was getting brutally cold, and Joe left for warmer places. Pretty soon, Jerry WB8WFK and Tim Miller found us, and soon sniffed out the fox. Tim N5UJG and Peter were having connector problems, but soon also found us.

Here are the results:

Joe AB5YC	11.1 mi.
Tom WD5JMA	12.5 mi.
Jim K5QQ	15.1 mi.
Tim N5UJG/Peter Adams	20.3 mi.
Jerry WB8WFK/Tim Miller	35.3 mi.

Total time was 3 hours.

Several hunters complained about the weak signal from the fox, so the first thing I did, when I got home, was hook up the Bird wattmeter and a Bird dummyload, and see what the output power was. Into a good load, the transmitter was putting out 1.1 watts. I had set it for 1.5 watts, but since the T had been running for nearly three hours, this seemed OK. I next checked the SWR of the rubber duck used for the fox, and it registered almost infinite SWR! Rubber ducks are not very good antennas to begin with, but this was awful. Sorry about that, everyone.

73 de Brett AB5P and Sandra KA5NQY

Received: by bangate.compaq.com; Tue, 9 Jan 96 14:01:55 CST

Date: Tue, 9 Jan 96 13:55:12 CST

## COMPAQ AMATEUR RADIO CLUB FOXHUNT RULES

**OBJECTIVE:** To develop radio direction finding skills, foster the construction radio direction finding tools, and have a good time through competition and social interaction. Designed to be a fun event for all.

The date of the hunt will be Saturday, January, 20. There will be a morning hunt starting at 9:00 AM and ending at 11:30 AM and an afternoon hunt starting at 1:00 PM. The ending time on the morning hunt is to allow everyone to get lunch so that the afternoon hunt will start on time. We will meet at a to be determined by the morning fox establishment for lunch between the two hunts for a chance to compare hunting techniques.

The fox **MUST** be copyable at the starting point by a majority agreement among the hunters present. The starting point is the top level of parking garage PG10 at Compaq (NW Houston at the corner of SH249 and Louetta Road). **WARNING:** External antennas must be capable of removal to get in this garage!

Talk-in frequencies are the 146.76 and 444.450 linked repeaters. The fox transmitter will be on 144.36 MHz and maintain constant power throughout the hunt. The antenna may not be changed during the course of the hunt.

The fox must transmit voice audio for a minimum of 60 seconds every 3 minutes. The audio may be pre recorded but the use of sound effects is prohibited. The fox antenna and transmitter shall be within 500 feet of access by standard passenger cars in a publicly accessible area with no charge for admission. Reasonable care must be taken to ensure that hunters can safely get to the hidden T.

The fox may not simultaneously transmit another signal in the two meter band to interfere with the fox. A crosslinked fox must be linked via another band. The fox must also monitor the talk-in frequency to collect drop outs and announce if he is having technical difficulties. The hunt boundaries are the area bounded by I-290, Beltway 8, I-45, and FM-1488. Private lands are out of bounds. A good map of this area is available for free from the Tomball Chamber of Commerce.

**RULE MODIFICATIONS:** Rule modifications must be announced before the day of the hunt and should be announced at least a week early. Winner is determined by the least mileage on the hunter's car odometer at the time of finding the fox. The fox will record this mileage when found. For more information on foxhunting or this hunt contact:

Earl Morse KZ8E

kz8e@bangate.compaq.com Put the word "FOXHUNT" as the subject.

Compaq ARC Web Page [www.ssd1.com/hamradio/](http://www.ssd1.com/hamradio/)

To: fox-list@netcom.com

# AVARC - Antelope Valley Amateur Radio Club

## T-Hunt Rules, Dates, and Location Page.

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### Welcome to AVARC's T-hunt division

**Saturday January 16th, 1996 will be the AVARC's monthly T-Hunt.** Everybody is welcome to join us and have a good time. You don't have to be a licensed HAM operator to participate. Simply find a VHF receiver that has the smoke contained and you have the basics to at least get started.

If you miss this one this Saturday, that's OK. **Every third Saturday** of each month we have another T-Hunt.

**Where do we meet?** The old fire station on Avenue M between Sierra Hwy and 10th St West. Lancaster California off Hwy 14. It's real easy. From Hwy 14, get off at AVE M, go East about a mile or a little less, and you will see an old fire station. That's It...

**When do we start?** About 1:00 PM we converge at the fire station while the transmitter is already in the process of being hid. At the fire station we chat a little, get newcomers situated comfortably, and test the T-hunt signal to make sure we can hear the signal at the starting line.

**Talk-in Frequency** 146.73 Mhz with a PL of 100 hertz. Ask for anybody going to the T-Hunt or call for me Dave KD6BZN. Someone will be glad to help.

**Rules?** Not to many of those. There are a few that we stick by so I will mention the few. First chap to find the fox doesn't win. Well what do you mean? Well we primarily race to see who can find the fox in the shortest distance in miles. Although, the first chap gets 10% of his mileage subtracted from his score to make his score even better. The person with the lowest mileage will hide on the next T-Hunt.

**Some more rules?** Maybe not rules but we are trying to be nice when we hide the transmitter so that the people at the start can hear the signals so that they can get right on with the contest instead of having to find a tall building to climb to get a basic bearing. The old rule was 10 miles but that became a sore and probably was a product of the 70's energy crisis anyway. We also do not hide on private property. That way we keep the shotgun blast to a minimum from people who are not totally familiar with strange looking devices hanging out the windows of a variety of vehicles.

**Pizza Anyone** After every T-Hunt there is a food frenzy and the nearest pizza joint is targeted. Everyone is welcome, bring the wife, kids, room mates, whatever. While enjoying good pizza and good toppings we generally discuss each of our *war stories* and compare who had the best time finding the bad ole fox.

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David Mulvey (KD6BZN) <[kd6bzn@qnet.com](mailto:kd6bzn@qnet.com)>

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Date: Mon, 11 Dec 1995 21:35:41 +1100  
From: Craig McMillan <craig@melbpc.org.au>  
To: fox-list@netcom.com  
Subject: Melbourne Hunt, December 1995

REPORT ON THE MONTHLY MELBOURNE FOX HUNT  
DECEMBER 1995

The December hunt was held on the evening of the 8th in dry and mild conditions. The fox was Phil VK3GMZ, with some thirty amateurs in eight teams taking the role of hound. All hunting was on 2m, with competitors gathering at Burwood K-Mart.

In ten years' time, they'll still be talking about December's first event. All hounds, as they neared the transmitter, rounded a corner and found themselves passing a white Commodore sedan on the nature strip, with a camera and flash unit sitting in front of it. Yes, an unmarked police speed camera, and the signal really starting to pick up in strength. Most teams were distracted by the police presence, and didn't notice how quickly the signal swung as they drove along that stretch of road.

However, most teams quickly realised that they had overshot the fox, so turned into a park opposite the police. As they took final bearings prior to leaving the car, it dawned that the signals were coming from the police car. Closer investigation showed that the flash unit was a simple wooden box, but with the transmitter inside it. All hounds admitted to having been completely fooled on this event.

But the story doesn't end there. As the fox packed up the imitation camera unit, a genuine unmarked police car appeared around the corner, with two uniformed officers approaching the fox, asking if he knew that impersonating a police officer was a criminal offence. The hounds were more than a little amused to see the fox getting a dose of his own medicine, although the police were ultimately quite satisfied with the explanation. Placings on this event went to VK3VR, VK3TKQ and VK3CRA.

A sniffer event was then held in the immediate area, with the hounds required to head off carrying only hand-held equipment. The event was held won by Mark VK3JMD - a leading contender to represent Australia in the Region 3 Direction Finding Championships in 1996. Minor placings went to VK3YQN and VK3PW.

The next few events led the hounds to a road bridge in Wantirna and a park in Ringwood East, finishing in Antonio Park Ringwood.

A barbeque supper was held in the park, where the results showed that our winner was Mark VK3JMD, winning by a single point from Paul VK3PW and Greg VK3VT two points further back in third place.

The January hunt will be held on the evening of the 19th, commencing from the Burwood K-Mart at 8:15pm. The fox will be Jack VK3WWW, with all hunts to be on the 2m band.

For further information on fox hunting in Melbourne, please contact Craig McMillan VK3CRA on (03)9551-5635. Or for those with Internet access, look at the Melbourne Fox Hunting Page at <http://www.ozemail.com.au/~amac/fox.html>

Scoretable for the night...

VK3VT	0	7	4	6	5	2	24
VK3PW	7	5	1	4	2	3	22
VK3YQN	9	5	4	10	1	6	35
VK3WWW	8	10	4	4	0	0	26
VK3BLN	7	9	1	0	10	4	31
VK3TKQ	1	10	7	7	3	10	38
VK3CRA	1	7	5	4	8	4	29
VK3JMD	10	0	0	4	3	4	21