

IT'S ALL IN THIS ISSUE

GET A HAND-HELD!!

According to In-Flight guru, Bob Bell, VK2UTG, there's only one scanner to consider — and that's one you can hold in your hand!

THE IDEAL MONITOR STATION EQUIPMENT

... But what if you don't *want* to hold all your gear in your hand? Simple. You buy the biggest, the best, the most expensive... and here is John Batty's wish list.



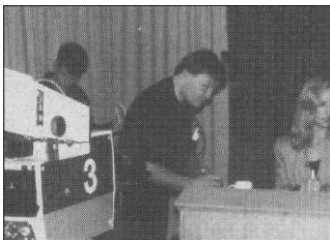
REVIEW: ICOM IC-R8500

... Or you could save ten grand or so and consider this all-new comms receiver from Icom. It covers DC to daylight — literally!



GLADESVILLE - RADIO CLUB OR TV STATION?

The Gladesville amateur radio club has been setting a very good example for other clubs to emulate. Let me *show* you, sir...



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HEARD ISLAND — GO

Here's a last-minute report about the huge DXpedition to Heard Is.

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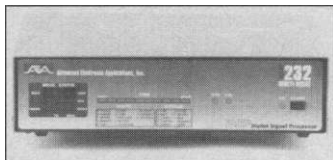
A LITTLE CHRISTMAS READING...

Here are a few ideas for great last-minute Christmas pressies. Just leave the magazine open with a circle around the one you want...

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REVIEW: AEA DSP-232

Paul Butler, VK3DBP, checks out the latest DSP-equipped multi-mode TNC. This one's from AEA.



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SSTV — IS IT FOR ME?

Jim Smith, VK9NS, continues his interesting yarn about slow-scan TV. This looks like fun...

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EMERGENCY! NSW

Last month we checked out some great frequencies for Victoria. This time we list everything worth ckecking out north of the border.

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DIGITAL... WHAT?

Geoff Arnold grew up with valves. These he could understand. But then the world went digital. Uh-oh...

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REVIEW: BENELEC'S 24-ELEMENT DISCONE

We've often told you that even the greatest radios are useless without effective antennas. So try this one.

Sorry, but the audio filter project advertised on this month's cover has had to be held over until next month. Apologies...