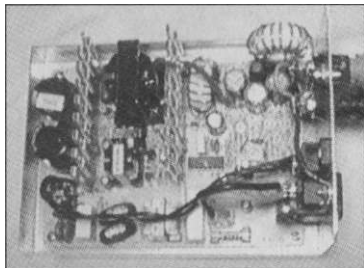


OLYMPIC GAMES TO 'BORROW' 70cm BAND

Here's the full text of a public announcement from the ACA. We'll be lending 70cm to the SOCOG...

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT SWITCH-MODE SUPPLY

This piece is a work of sheer genius. Take one junked old IBM PC, extract the power supply, wave the soldering iron over it... then run the shack from it! An outstanding piece from Phil Harman, VK6APH.



HOW FAR CAN 2M GO?

On any balmy Summer night, you're bound to find legions of 2M devotees glued to their SSB boxes. Why put up with perfect HF sigs when 2m provides a challenge? Ask Chas...

THE Y2K 'BUG'. A MTYH?

Russell Dovey is a computer user who worries about little things like his computer breaking down, or blowing up or whatever. So who cares about the Y2K thing? Ask him!



COVER REVIEW: AOR AR-8200

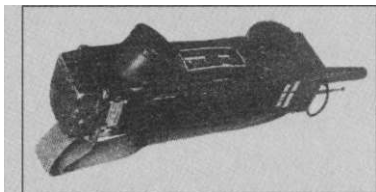
Scanner users have long referred to the AOR line of scanners in hushed tones. And now there's a new one, which displaces the fabled AR-8000. Is it any good? Well, Russell simply kept the review one! Hey,

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It can't *really* be 58 years since the first hand-held transceiver hit the market, can it? Greg Whiter, VK3CA turns back the pages of time...



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Well, why not? Take one used *Station Master*, stir in vast dobs of black magic, then work the world!

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Is this a radio with an identity crisis? Fancy putting the CB channels into a serious 10M all-mode box? We sent it to a 10M junkie to check out.

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Hang on, have we missed the boat? No, this is the ultimate frequency guide to Australian motorsports...

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Jason Reilly looks at the scanner's