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- 16 COVER STORY — ACCESSORIES:** There are more accessory items for the radio shack than you could possibly shake a stick at, so we decided to look in general areas and limit the scope of devices we discussed. Even then, we've been up to our armpits in option sheets and catalogues for the last few weeks to bring you this 10-page guide.
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**Cover:** Oh all right — it didn't really float out to sea after all. But had it done so the test rig might have survived unscathed, for that funny-looking plastic bag is as close to watertight as you can get for a hand-held transceiver. Sitting inside the **Icom AQ-2 Aquaman** is a sneak look at a new Yaesu, the FT-911, which is a soon-to-be-released 23cm version of the well-known FT-411 HT. **Inset:** I told you we were up to our armpits in accessories, but even this lot is only a small selection of them! Cover photographs by Tony Watts.

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