

WIRELESS CLUB REPORTS

The Editor will be glad to publish reports of wireless clubs and the doings of amateurs and experimenters. Address all communications to the Editor, "The Listener In," 62 Flinders street, Melbourne.

Hobart Experimenters' Club

THE Hobart Radio Experimenters' Club is a strong body of wireless enthusiasts, captained by Mr Geo. Collis, well-known in Australian wireless circles. Perhaps the most noteworthy member of the club is Mr T. Watkins, owner-operator of that remarkable amateur transmitting station 7AA. The secretary is Mr D. Chesterman, himself the proud possessor of an eight-valve installation of his own construction. The club was once known as the Wireless Institute, but a split occurred (in the course of which some blood was spilt and a black eye told its tale), and the new body was formed with the donor of the black eye as president. The Wireless Institute is still in existence, but in rather a negative state at present. There was recently a movement on foot on the part of local experimenters to close down the Hobart broadcasting station 7ZL on account of its interference with "important experiments."

Launceston Experimenters' Club

THE Launceston Radio Experimenters' Club made a name for itself last Saturday when the Henley-on-Tamar regatta was carried out by means of wireless. A speed boat was

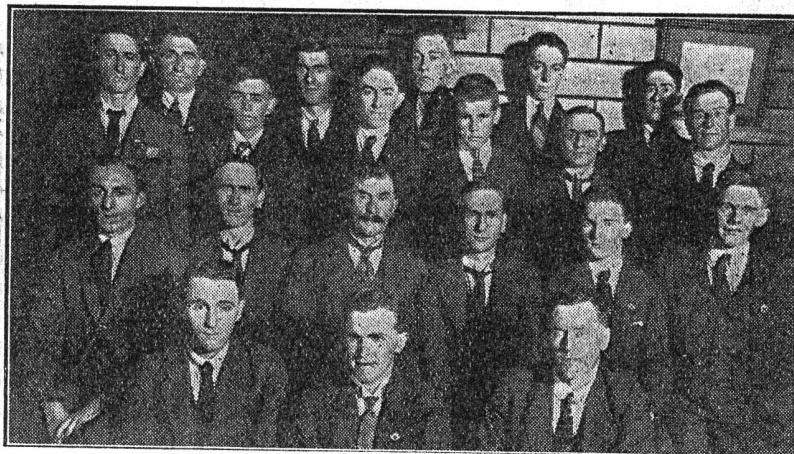
fitted with an efficient wireless telephone apparatus, which conveyed the results of races, etc., to a giant loud speaker stationed on the regatta ground. In this way the results were made known to thousands of spectators who were unable to see the finish of the races in true perspective. Quite a number of the boats participating in the regatta were fitted with wireless, so that it was possible for the yachtsmen to communicate with their friends during the course of a race.

Essendon Radio Club

THE recent meetings of this club have been devoted to the discussion of the deadlock which arose be-

tween this club and the council of the Wireless Institute regarding the introduction of a graduated system of membership in the various suburban clubs. Members of the Essendon club were not disposed to endanger the harmony arising from the absolute equality of its membership by introducing unwelcome distinctions which were not considered necessary in a club founded on a science which was merely a pastime with the vast majority of its members. A solution to the difficulty has now been arrived at whereby the club may retain its connection with the Wireless Institute, whilst the old conditions of membership will be maintained.

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