

DUNDALK AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, which grew out of a few radio 'hams' coming together to put on a station for the town's Maytime Festival. Since then the society has gone from strength to strength and now numbers up to forty members of whom some twenty five have obtained their transmitting licences.

The Dundalk Amateur Radio Society is grateful for the sponsorship of Messers Ecco Ltd. during the Maytime Festival and will be operating a station from the Forrester's Hall, Market St. for the duration of the Festival. Anyone will be welcome to attend and see the station in operation. The Society runs classes for those interested in the hobby; details of these and the Society's Programme can be obtained from any of the members. Last year some fifty countries were contacted from Dundalk putting the town on the world map.

To date the Amateur Radio enthusiasts, operating from the Foresters hall, have made contact with ~~SEVENTY~~ different countries, including Zambia, Australia, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Holland, Russia.

Call signs they are using are :

E.I.9.C.D.; E.I.4.C.G;
E.I.I.C.S.; E.I.2.I;
E.I.3.K.; E.I.9.C.J.;

Chairman Jack Welsh had an interesting experience on Sunday last. He made contact with Germany, and the person in Germany wanted to know what the weather was like in Ireland - his reason for the question being that he was coming to Ireland on Tuesday, to film the Republic of Ireland v West Germany Match in Landsdowne Road! Last night 15 hams from Trim, Cavan, Drogheda and Bailieborough were present in the Forrester's hall. If you are interested you are welcome to stroll in any evening between 7.00p.m. and 9.00p.m. and the friendly operators will be only too pleased to explain all the workings to you.

