

# Citizen's Band a technological love story

by Terry Dupuis  
 CB Radio has become one of the biggest cultural, commercial and communications phenomena of our time. It has been estimated that there are over 30 million CBers in the United States alone. People

become, it was inevitably only a matter of time before Hollywood would make a movie about the world of Citizen's Band Radio. That time has now arrived. Paramount Pictures has produced the first CB movie. It is appropriately called

numerous occasions to save lives. Le Mat previously starred in such popular films as American Graffiti and Aloha Bobby And Rose. Candy Clark, who also appeared in American Graffiti, has an important role in Citizen's Band as a schoolteacher who faces a romantic dilemma.

The comedy-drama "Citizen's Band" was directed by Jonathan Demme and scripted by Paul Brickman, who also served as associate producer. Jordan Cronenweth was director of photography, and the music is by Bill Conti, who also wrote the music and title song for the Academy Award winner "Rocky".

Director Demme calls Citizen's Band "a technological love story. It reflects how new machinery alters the way people live their lives. We

hope that this film captures the fascinations of the CB medium, which seems to satisfy a deep need to get back to one-to-one communication." "Citizen's Band" opens tonight at both the Pen Theatre and the Midland Drive-In. It is scheduled to run at both theatres for four evenings. The companion feature with Citizen's Band at the Pen is a spoof of disaster movies called The Big Bus. The companion feature with Citizen's Band at the Midland Drive-In is John Wayne's latest western, The

Shootist. Coming to the indoor Odeon Theatre in Midland is The Late Show, an enjoyable spoof of the old murder mysteries of the 1930's and 40's. It stars

Art Carney and Lily Tomlin as a most unusual pair of sleuths. The Late Show is the first movie to be directed by David Benton, a former script writer who wrote the screenplays for such movies as Bonnie And Clyde and What's Up Doc?

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magazine states that "manufacturing and selling CB equipment has become a \$2.5 billion business" and goes on to predict that in the future "an estimated 60 million sets will be in operation." Considering the phenomenon CB radio has

"Citizen's Band", and it is a comedy-drama that explores the current phenomenon of CB radio and its effects on personal relationships.

Paul Le Mat stars in Citizen's Band as a dedicated CBER who comes to the rescue on

## Leadership team set up

County of Simcoe Recreation Department has received a Young Canada Works federal grant this summer to form a "resource team" intended to supplement recreation programs throughout the county.

The "Summer Project Leadership Resource Team", a result of desire to develop leadership in both Simcoe County programs and other recreation groups, is composed of three staff of the original six applied for.

It includes a Project Co-ordinator, Sue Kelley, an Arts and Crafts Activity Developer, Janice Phillips, as well as a Sports Activity Developer, Deborah Charman. The group works out of the Simcoe County Administration Centre in Midhurst.

The team is presently employed in setting up a resource base from which to draw when the various recreation programs commence around the county. They will be available to go right into the program to spend time illustrating leadership techniques to both staff and recreation members in the areas of arts and crafts, singing,

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