

Further circuits and the keeping of a record of experiments and a tribute to the late Bob ZL2ASO

I need to say a word about my late friend Bob ZL2ASO, from Wellington, who I contacted almost every day for 15 years. At the age of 89 he even tramped into Flora Hut for a night with me – where he played "radios" with his homebrew rig. He was a wonderful friend to bounce technical ideas against, He was also a member of GQRP club and one of his rigs was published on the front cover of SPRAT in 2010 – fronting MY article about the DSB!

Bob died in 2020 and I really miss him as someone to discuss technical things with.



Bob and Eric set out to Flora Hut



A great year said Bob. His year of birth!

During the years after about 2010, when Bob and I did so much, I began to keep a journal detailing all our experiments with crystals, resonators, NE602s, and so on. Later I added to this my experiments with ladder filters and many other circuits.

The journal is now over 100 pages – and I think I might publish a few of these on the website in time. I will probably put them up exactly as I wrote them – just pics of the pages . I may make a few comments – but you can make of them what you will.

No doubt some of them will be contentious – because despite a degree in Physics, I am a practical person, and some of the boffins will say (for instance) "you can't make crystal filters that way." Well I do! And they work well enough for me.

At 78 – despite learning new things – I also discover the forgettery is improving too! So here is just a sample from the "book" (NOT the GOOD BOOK you understand).

This bit still to come

**But you will find in the downloads
the circuit of the SugarCube with
generic Si5351 as I built it
- from the journal**



Sorting the aerial that Eric tangled in a tree!