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- ARA PROFILE: MAURIE BATT, VK3XEX: You don't have to be young to ride a bicycle! Barry Wilton, VK3XV, visited Rokewood Junction in the quest for eternal youth.
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- **QUARTERLY CLUB DIRECTORY:** Here's where it's all happening. There must be one close by your QTH...

Cover: Those faint lines are the miraculous part of the CX Miracle antenna. That's the article's author, Aki, on top of a tower he reckons he could climb blind-folded. Inset: The youngsters in the Great Caltex Bike Ride won't have a thing on Maurie Batt, VK3XEX. Here he is at Warp 2 through Rokewood Junction... Right: Who is the joker with the 'phone' in the Yobbomobile? The first correct answer before this Friday, 4 November, wins a free subscription to Amateur Radio Action.

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