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This month's cover

Main photo: The WICEN Communications Trailer attached to the rear of the tow vehicle, set up for the recent Blue Mountains search. See the story starting on page 21. Photo by Compton Allen VK2HRX. Inset photo: Carmei VK2CAR with her new toy - the KNQ7A 40 metre SSB transceiver. Read all about this kit project on page 6. Photo by Carmei Morris VK2CAR.

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