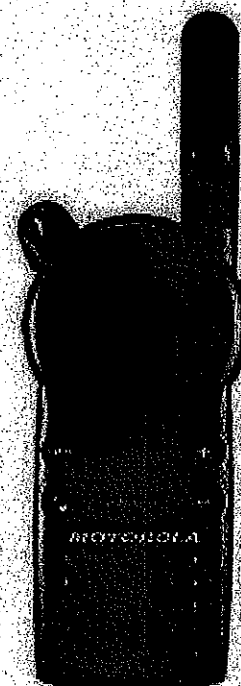
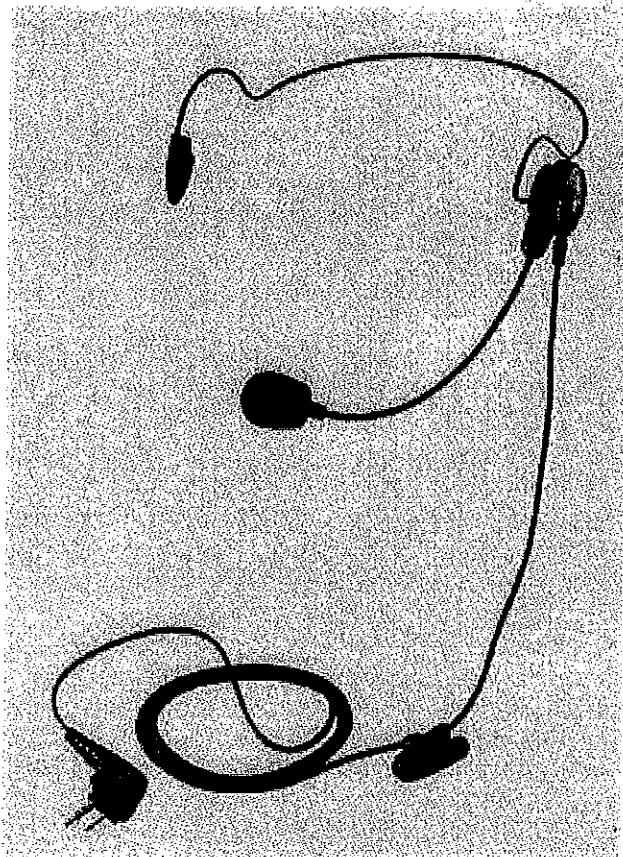


Radio: Motorola CLS1410 4-Channel radio



Headset: Motorola 53815

Those of you who CJ'ed or Reff'ed Short-course Zones in Rochester will be very familiar with this set-up ... this is exactly what we used there. AD has procured 21 of these radio / headsets, complete with chargers and some spare batteries. We will set these up to be easy to transport and keep charged, and have them available at all meets. **Bonus points** to the official with the most creative way of wearing this headset at their first meet - Hint: the bar goes \*behind\* your head, \*not\* on top of it!

Some important points:

- These radios are NOT compatible with the Maxons. This is the retirement of those radios. We realize folks have invested in these and many people have their own sets (I have 5 or 6!) ... we apologize for this inconvenience, but the older sets have come to the end of their useful life.
- The CLS1410 is used in New England, Niagara, PVS, and for Zone meets - we are pretty confident they will work well for us - but there certainly may be a break-in period as everyone gets used to them. Expect some frustration the first couple of times ...
- I know many people like to have their own radios. You can certainly choose that route if you like - but these radios are \$179 if you are only buying one, and the headset pictured is an additional \$24.50.
- We got these prices from <http://www.twowayradiogear.com/> - they seem to be great folks and had the best prices I could find after shopping around.
- Another alternative that some folks in PVS have used is to simply buy your own headset that you keep with you and plug into an AD radio - that way you can size it correctly and never have to worry about that. There are also a wide variety of other headset styles that work with this radio, priced from about \$20 to about \$50. You can see these at the <http://www.twowayradiogear.com/> site, under "Motorola CLS accessories" on the left menu bar (scroll down to find the button).
- Please make sure if you choose to buy your own headset that:
  - It explicitly says it is compatible with the Motorola CLS1410
  - It is a genuine Motorola headset. There are other manufacturers who make products that "work with" Motorola radios - however, we have been told by PVS that these "compatibles" often do not work correctly with the radio's volume and VOX controls.

If you'd like a sneak-peak at these systems and want to try them out, I'll bring a couple to the AD Fall HOD Meeting in Duanesburg on 9/28.