

Rob is Analog

Log Line:

The absolutely fantastic and unusual story of Yukon's "Radio Rob" Hopkins and his true adventures in do-it-yourself radio and television broadcasting.

Short Synopsis:

This film tells the unusual, fantastic and entertaining story of Yukon's own 'Radio Rob' (Rob Hopkins) a self-made and self-taught broadcasting engineer who built his own telephone system and pioneered the spread of community radio in the North. The film follows Rob as he repurposes ancient communication technology, on top of mountains & underneath buildings, working to expand the local radio station and set up an analog television channel

Long Synopsis:

Rob "Radio Rob" Hopkins is a communications pirate with a mission - to keep our airwaves accessible. Trouble is... he's an analog guy in a digital world, fighting for the public's right to something they likely don't even want.

Rob is many things: he's an ex-hobo and a self-taught broadcast engineer; a scavenger who built a working telephone system from other people's junk; and an advocate of over-the-air technologies who collects CRTC licenses like hockey cards. He's so enthusiastic that he's even developed his own software to make analog broadcasting easier.

Join Rob as he works with fellow broadcasting enthusiast Bill Polonsky as they attempt to expand CJUC 92.5 FM (the local community radio station) and revive over-the-air analog television with the establishment of the new local community channel CKWH (VHF Channel 9).