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Quinte Amateur Radio Club Inc. Newsletter

PO Box 23039 BELLEVILLE Ontario K8P 5J3

NOTICE OF MEETING:

DATE / TIME: **March 16, 2004 @7:30PM**

LOCATION: Loyalist College (Pioneer Building) Room P-2

PROGRAM: We will have a representative from TAS communications to discuss Amateur Radio Operators as an emergency backup.

Club Repeater: VE3QAR 146.985 MHz.
2 meter net: Tuesday 7:30 PM on VE3TJU 146.730
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Monthly Meetings: 3rd Wednesday 7:30 PM Loyalist College
(Pioneer Bldg.) Room P-17
Hams 'n Eggs: SATURDAYS 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant 135 Cannifton Road
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QARC February Minutes

Called to order at 7:30 by President Mike VE3VMP. He welcomed Chris Chant VE3CDC as a visitor to the meeting.

A moment of silence was observed for Bill Drulak VE3HBS of Trenton who passed away recently. Bill was a member of the club in the 70's and 80's.

Mike briefly outlined how he got the CD tour of ARRL HQ - it is put out by Peter deVolpi K3PD.

Announcements:

Bill VA3WOW: 50/50 draw proceeds from Jan, Feb and March meetings are going to the Red Cross for the Tsunami Relief Fund. (Last month's donation was $26)

Al VE3LAW: announce the annual auction will be on Thursday May 5 at the Bloomfield Town Hall/community center. The doors will be open from 6PM for those folks bring equipment for the auction and the auction itself starts promptly at 7 PM.

Al VE3LAW is also taking names of anyone interested in a bulk purchase of the QRZ callbook CD-ROM. The cost is USD $150 for a quantity of 10 - it is expected that the cost per individual will be $20 CDN.

Dave VE3BIP: 'Tour of the County' multi transmitter foxhunt will be on Saturday May 14 starting at the Bloomfield Community Center at 12 Noon. Dave mentioned we are looking at setting up a 'beginners' foxhunt transmitter to encourage those who might not have the experience at hunting, but wants to give it a try.

Tim VE3UO: Belleville Community Policing 'pitter-patter' run is to be held Sun April 10. The run starts at Loyalist College and proceeds along Wallbridge Loyalist Rd, West Moira St, Avonlough Rd and then returns on the same route. Contact Tim if you can help out.

Other Business:

RAC Insurance: The club will receive a refund of $367 if we cancel our current insurance. RAC Insurance will cost $125 (as we are at the 60% RAC membership level). We are working to put this in place ASAP.

Honourary Membership: Mike VE3VMP moved to nominate Al Smardon VE3OX as an Honourary Life Member of QARC. This was seconded by Al Davis VE3HNJ. Motion was CARRIED.

Break and 50/50 Draw: This month's draw was won by Greg VE3CH who donated his winnings to match the clubs contribution to the Tsunami Relief Fund. This month's donation was $24.

Al VE3WV donated some back issues of QCWA magazine for anyone interested - Thanks Al!

Program: As mentioned the entertainment was a video CD produced by Peter deVolpi K3PD of s tour of ARRL HQ in Newington CT. This was in a 'home video' format and not a slick professional edit job. As result it was looking at a typical home movie, with some very interesting views and observations.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM - attendance 17.

Official Bulletin Station

Looking for someone to act as Official Bulletin Station to read the weekly RAC Ontario Section Newsletters once a week on the Bay Bridge Net. The Bulletins are on the web at http://racaresontario.ca/public/display_official_bulletin.php . The only requirement of the job (other than being able to read!) is that a monthly report has to be sent either via email, or on the air via the National Traffic System to the Official Bulletin Manager. If you are interested in this job, contact Tim VE3UO who will be stepping down as OBS at the end of March.

Industry Canada analysis of Morse requirement

Industry Canada has published their analysis of the comments received in response to their Consultation on Morse Code. It shows overwhelming agreement that Canada should move away from having a Morse code requirement as the sole means of gaining access to the amateur spectrum below 30 MHz. 123 comments were in favour of relaxed code requirements, 19 opposed, and six neutral.
Details can be found on the Industry Canada web site via: http://tinyurl.com/694oo

TAMPERE CONVENTION EASES INTERNATIONAL EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS

The IARU has announced that the first Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications conference, or 'GAREC', will take place in Tampere, Finland, on 13 and 14 June 2005. In recent years, the importance of providing assistance in emergency and disaster situations by the Amateur Radio Service has increased further and it has become a major argument in the defence of the amateur radio bands and the protection of this valuable resource against potential interference by new technologies. In some countries, the role of the Amateur Service in case of emergencies and disasters is well established and organized. In a large number of countries, however, amateurs can perform this important public service only in an improvised manner if and when a disaster occurs. This seriously affects the efficiency of what amateurs can contribute, and it is therefore essential to review existing mechanisms and to allow all national amateur radio societies to benefit from existing experiences. The purpose of GAREC-2005 is to allow such an exchange. Dr Pekka Tarjanne, the former Secretary-General of the ITU, has kindly accepted the patronage of GAREC-2005. The organizers and the Finnish amateur radio society SRAL are inviting amateurs from all countries to gather in Finland in June. The conference is open to everyone with an interest in the topic. Details of the agenda will be published as they develop. The organisers are open to suggestions and in particular welcome presentations on the situation and experiences in different countries.
For further information please contact the Chairman of the Finnish GAREC-2005 Organizing Committee, Seppo Sisatto, OH1VR, Ojakatu 3 A 18, FI-33100 Tampere, Finland; e-mail: seppo.sisatto@uta.fi (Thanks to Jeremy Boot G4NJH RSGB via WIA news)

Remember 1957

I know some of you are not old enough to remember, but this email below was put together in a great way, hope you enjoy it.
Remember this?
The following were some comments made in the year 1957:
(1) "I'll tell you one thing, if things keep going the way they are, its going to be impossible to buy a weeks groceries for $20.00."
(2) "Have you seen the new cars coming out next year? It won't be long when $5,000 will only buy a used one."
(3) "If cigarettes keep going up in price, I'm going to quit. A quarter a pack is ridiculous."
(4) "Did you hear the post office is thinking about charging a dime just to mail a letter?"
(5) "If they raise the minimum wage to $1, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store."
(6) "When I first started driving, who would have thought gas would someday cost 29 cents a gallon. Guess we'd be better off leaving the car in the garage,"
(7) "Kids today are impossible. Those ducktail haircuts make it impossible to stay groomed. Next thing you know, boys will be wearing their hair as long as the girls,"
(8) "I'm afraid to send my kids to the movies any more. Ever since they let Clark Gable get by with saying damn in "Gone With The Wind", it seems every new movie has either hell or damn in it."
(9) "I read the other day where some scientist thinks it's possible to put a man on the moon by the end of the century. They even have some fellows they call astronauts preparing for it down in Texas."
(10) "Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for $75,000 a year just to play ball? It wouldn't surprise me if someday that they will be making more than the President."
(11) "I never thought I'd see the day all our kitchen appliances would be electric. They are even making electric typewriters now"
(12) "It's too bad things are so tough nowadays. I see where a few married women are having to work to make ends meet."
(13) "It won't be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work."
(15) "I'm just afraid the Volkswagen car is going to open the door to a whole lot of foreign business."
(16) "Thank goodness I won't live to see the day when the Government takes half our income in taxes.. I sometimes wonder if we are electing the best people to Congress."
(17) "The drive-in restaurant is convenient in nice weather, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on."
(18) "I guess taking a vacation is out of the question now days. It costs nearly $15.00 a night to stay in a hotel."
(19) "No one can afford to be sick any more, $35.00 a day in the hospital is too rich for my blood."

Upcoming Hamfests

IARC Tenth Annual Flea Market Iroquois Amateur Radio Club Saturday, April 2, 2005, Iroquois ON

HAM-EX 2005 Peel Amateur Radio Club / Mississauga Amateur Radio Club. Saturday, April 9, 2005. Brampton ON

Montreal Amateur Radio Club Spring Fleamarket Hamfest Montreal Amateur Radio Club Saturday, April 9, 2005. LaSalle (Montreal) QC

Durham Region Amateur Radio Hamfest North Shore ARC and South Pickering ARC. Saturday, April 23, 2005. Whitby ON

Annual Spring Hamfest and Fleamarket The Skywide Amateur Radio Club Saturday, May 14, 2005.Toronto ON

21st Annual Smiths Falls Amateur Radio Fleamarket Rideau Lakes Amateur Radio Club inc. Saturday, May 14, 2005. Smiths Falls ON

2005 Wireless & Mobile WorldExpo * This is a commercial event, but may be of interest to hams [listmom] * Starts on Wednesday, May 18, 2005. Toronto ON

Hamfest 2005 Amherstburg Radio Club Sunday, May 29, 2005. Amherstburg ON

32nd Streetsville Founders Bread & Honey Festival Mississauga Amateur Radio Club (VE3MIS) Saturday, June 4, 2005. Streetsville ON

Central Ontario Hamfest & Fleamarket Guelph ARC & Kitchener Waterloo ARC Saturday, June 11, 2005. Fergus ON

Whitby Amateur Radio Club Hamfest Whitby Amateur Radio Club Saturday, June 18, 2005. Oshawa ON

Ottawa Amateur Radio Club 9th Annual Hamfest Ottawa Amateur Radio Club, Saturday, September 3, 2005. Ottawa (Carp) ON

Barrie Hamfest Barrie Amateur Radio Club Saturday, September 10, 2005. Barrie

Halton County Radial Railway Museum Mississauga Amateur Radio Club (VE3MIS) Saturday, September 24, 2005. Milton ON

Hamilton Amateur Radio Club "HAMFEST 2005" Hamilton Amateur Radio Club Saturday, October 15, 2005. Ancaster ON

Hamfest 2005 Montreal South Shore Amateur Radio Club. October 22, 2005. Montreal QC

Prince Edward Radio Club Meeting

From Ian Morrison. President of PERC

QARC members are invited to PERC's monthly meeting on April 7th. We will have a special speaker talking about antique radios. His name is Peter Cliche and he is from Bath. He is not a ham but interested in antique radios. If you need more info contact Doug ve3dzg.

This Week In Amateur Radio

This Week In Amateur Radio" will air on Reflector 9252, on Monday nights at 1930 PST. This is 45 minutes of amateur radio news that is weekly. The feed will drop for 2 to 4 seconds every 3 minutes to reset timers. Note: Approximately every 10 minutes there is a 20 second pause for ID's , dropping nodes or a chance to throw up because you wonder why you tuned in. For those who don't want to hassle with getting the news on your local system, tune in Monday night at 1930 PST.

Please drop by and help waste precious bandwidth ie. Spectrum Hogs. Thanks to Kent W7AOR for providing the use of reflector 9252. More information on TWIAR can be found at http://www.twiar.org/ If you have any question you can contact me at chris@n6icw.org

Please past the word. The feed will originate from node 8490.

Treasurers Report

MONTH TO DATE			
Revenue		**Expenses**	
Membership Dues	$100.00	Rac Membership	
Coffee	-$0.50	Office Supplies	$21.40
50/50 Draw	$24.00	Incorporation	
Donations to QARC		News letter printing	$50.95
Interest	$0.16	Insurance	$125.00
		Social Events	
		Donations	$24.00
		Radio Course Printing	$20.24
Total revenue	$123.66	Total Expenses	$241.59
	Month to Date Income		-$117.93

YEAR TO DATE			
Revenue		**Expenses**	
Membership Dues	$650.00	Social Events	$0.00
Donations to QARC	$70.00	Post box rental	$80.25
50/50 Draw	$123.00	Office supplies	$155.29
Coffee	$34.15	News letter printing	$125.13
Repeater Move	$0.00	Door Prizes	
Interest	$1.26	Insurance	$859.40
Study Guide Sales	$540.00	Donations	$152.97
		RAC Membership	
		Hall Rental	$0.00
		Incorporation	
		Name Tags	$8.05
		Radio Course Printing	$20.24
		Radio Course Purchases	$669.52
		Bereavement	$50.00
Total revenue	$1,418.41	Total Expenses	$2,120.85
	Year to Date Income		-$702.44
	Cash on Hand		$3,820.46