Quinte 'QRM'

Newsletter of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club, Inc.
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NOTICE OF MEETING:

DATE / TIME: **January 17, 2018 @ 7:00 PM**

LOCATION: Loyalist College (Pioneer Building), Room **P13**
284B Wallbridge-Loyalist Rd, Belleville

PROGRAM: Brian Williams VA3BRW will give a presentation on his recent experience at the TARGA Newfoundland Rally.
See: **http://targanfld.com/**

VE3QAR - 146.985 MHz (118.8 Hz)	**VE3QAR -** 444.475 Mhz - Yaesu System FUSION (118.8 Hz)
Monthly Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ **7:00** PM Loyalist College (Pioneer Bldg) Belleville	**Hams 'n Eggs**: Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville
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QARC DIRECTORS 2017-18

Directors - Elected

President	Tim Pekkonen	**VE3UO**	**tim.ve3uo@gmail.com**
Vice President	Dave Ackerman	**VE3UGT**	**ve3ugt@rac.ca**
Secretary	Bob Moore	**VE3QWB**	**ve3qwb@rac.ca**
Treasurer	Allan Twamley	**VE3XQV**	**atwamley@oxpoint.ca**
Director at Large	Mike Drake	**VA3BKQ**	**va3bkq@rac.ca**
Past President	Mike Papper	**VE3OX**	**ve3vmp@rac.ca**

Directors – **Appointed**			
Webmaster www.qarc.on.ca	Chris Wiesner	**VA3SM**	**va3sm@yahoo.ca**
Refreshments	Hans Winsen	**VE3OR**	
Radio Communications	Peter Hodgson	**VE3UR**	**ve3ur@rac.ca**

Note: Meeting Room Moved to P-13

Meeting Minutes: November 15, 2017

DIRECTORS ATTENDING: President Tim Pekkonen VE3UO,Vice President Dave Ackerman VE3UGT, Past President Mike Papper VE3OX, Director at Large Mike Drake VA3BKQ, Secretary Bob Moore VE3QWB, Treasurer Allan Twamley VE3XQV,Refreshments Hans Winzen VE3OR

President Tim opened the meeting at 7pm by welcoming everyone.

Dave VE3UGT made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the QRM newsletter. Seconded by Mike VE3OX. Carried.

Treasurer Allen VE3XQV said there are no changes since the report in thelast QRM newsletter.

Brian VA3BRW was going to give a presentation on his time as a volunteer with the Targa Newfoundland road rally this past summer. Unfortunately he could not effectively connect his computer's HDMI output port to VGA input port of the college's overhead projector. He will resolve that and will give his presentation next year.

Tim's report on the repeaters is Status Quo, no changes since last month.

The QARC Christmas Dinner is on Wed Dec. 6, 6:00 PM, at the DugOut Grill. Please let Mike VE3OX know if you will be attending. The PERC Christmas Dinner is on Sat Dec. 9 at 6:00P at the Prince Edward Yacht Club in Picton. Please let Matthew VE3FL know if you will be attending.

The club is always looking for presentations for meetings and need speakers and programs for Jan. to June 2018. If you have a presentation to give, even if it is short, or can suggest someone to contact for a
presentation, please let Dave VE3UGT know, he will co-ordinate presentations.

Deb Kinsman, Emergency Management Executive Assisstant for the City of Belleville, is looking for a club contact for their Emergency ControlGroup. Their office is in the new fire hall off Station Street. Since our ARES contact Peter VE3UR is recovering from a broken leg, we will have to give them a temporary person to contact.

The Community Policing Pitter Patter Run at Loyalist College has been set for Sunday April 22, the same weekend as the Ontario QSO Party. Please contact Tim if you can help with this event.

At 7:15 we took a break, thanks to Hans VE3OR for the drinks and snacks. There was a 50/50 draw

with proceeds going to the PERC club. The winner was Doug Kirkham, short wave listener from Trenton, who took home $19. Congratulations Doug.

After the break, since Brian could not give his presentation, Doug VE3ZDG informed us that it seems ARES Ottawa has abandoned eastern Ontario, so the PERC club is considering a bylaw to appoint ARES representatives for the County. QARC might do the same, watch for details.

Greg VE3CH used the college's Internet to show us a couple on-line news casts reporting how fifty volunteer hams and their equipment were flownto Puerto Rico to help with communications following hurricane Maria.

Matt VE3FL reported the PERC club is looking at changing their IRLP connection so the courtesy sound and signal tail will not be causing noise when connected to a reflector. They will be trying a 440 link from TJU to the IRLP connection at Joe's place.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

There will be no meeting in December, so our next meeting is on January 17, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Minutes taken by Bob Moore, VE3QWB (@rac.ca), QARC secretary.

Distracted Driving: Ontario Temporary Exemption has been Extended until January 1, 2021

Distracted driving regulations continue to be an area of interest for many Canadian Radio Amateurs. These regulations are made and enforced by provincial governments and can vary considerably from province to province and over time. In Ontario, RAC Directors Allan Boyd, VE3AJB (Ontario North/East) and Phil McBride, VA3QR (Ontario South) have been working hard on this issue.

On December 15, 2017, the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) announced that the current two-way radio exemption for “Amateur Radio operators and specified commercial, public transit, and public function drivers will be extended for a further three-years, effective January 1, 2018 until **January 1, 2021**.”

The update to the regulation can be found at **https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/r17475** .

While we were hoping for a permanent exemption, this decision by the MTO ensures our continued ability to operate Amateur Radio apparatus while mobile. RAC will continue to press for a permanent exemption going forward.

For more information visit the RAC Distracted Driving webpage at: **http://wp.rac.ca/distracted-driving/**

2018 Hamfests & Fleamarkets

Saturday February 3 -	Niagara Peninsula 40th Annual Big Event, St Catherines, ON **http://www.nparc.on.ca/**
Saturday February 17 -	Burlington Annual Spring Flea Market, Burlington, ON **https://www.barc.ca/**
Saturday April 7 -	Montreal ARC Fleamarket, Lasalle QC **http://www.marc.qc.ca/fest/fest.html**
Saturday April 7 -	Iroquois ARC Fleamarket **http://iroquoisarc.ca/**
Saturday April 28 -	42nd Annual Durham Hamfest, Pickering, ON **https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=1885**
May 18-20, 2018 -	Hamvention® 2018 @Greene County Fair & Exposition Center, Xenia, OH **http://hamvention.org/**
Sunday June 3 -	Central Ontario Hamfest - **http://www.hamfest.on.ca/**
Saturday July 7 -	Ontario Hamfest at Milton Fairgrounds **https://www.barc.ca/ontario-hamfest**

For more information on these events, see: **http://rac.eton.ca/events/upcoming.php**

Six Meter Frequency added to W1AW code practice schedule

As of the beginning of the year **50.350** Mhz has been added to the W1AW list of frequencies for their daily code practice. The list of frequencies is as follows: 1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975, 21.0675, 28.0675, 50.350, and 147.555 MHz. The schedule can be found on the ARRL website - **http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule**

Let's Go Foxhunting - 2018 Schedule

Sunday	**March 18**	1:30 PM	Belleville
Sunday	**April 8**	1:30 PM	Belleville (Ride -along)
Saturday	**May 5**	12:00	Bloomfield – Tour of The County
Thursday	**June 7**	7:00 PM	Belleville
Thursday	**July 5**	7:00 PM	Belleville
Thursday	**August 2**	7:00 PM	Belleville
Sunday	**Sept 9**	1:30 PM	Belleville (Ride-along)
Sunday	**October 14**	12:00	Bloomfield – Tour of The County
Sunday	**November 4**	1:30 PM	Belleville

For more information please see **www.ve3bip.org** .

Winter Field Day - January 27 & 28, 2018
https://www.winterfieldday.com/

Winter Field Day Association (WFDA) is a dedicated group of Amateur Radio Operators who believe that emergency communications in a winter environment is just as important as the preparations and practice that is done each summer but with some additional unique operational concerns.

We believe as do those entities of ARRL Organizations like ARES & RACES that maintaining your operational skills should not be limited to fair weather scenarios. The addition of Winter Field Day will enhance those already important skills of those that who generously volunteer their time and equipment to these organizations. This is why WFD is open to all licensed amateur radio operators worldwide.

Disasters are unpredictable by nature and can strike when you least expect them. WFDA's goal is to help enhance your skills and ready you for all environmental conditions found in the US and Canada during the spring, summer, fall and winter Preparedness is the key to a professional and timely response during any event and this is what local and state authorities are expecting when they reach out to the emergency service groups that offer their services.

If you are serious about emergency communications as we are; we welcome you to join us for our yearly event. We are sure you will find this event a pleasant change and challenge to that of a normal summer time field day.

Treasurers Report

	Jul - Dec 17
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Contribution To Club	5.00
Dues	985.00
Total Income	990.00
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	12.50
Donations	100.00
Field Day	231.42
Insurance Expense	620.58
Meals & Entertainment	19.18
Miscellaneous Expense	9.04
Office Supplies	52.35
Refreshments	82.20
Repeater Expense	7.90
Total Expense	1,135.17
Net Ordinary Income	-145.17
Net Income	**-145.17**

	Dec 2017
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Chequing - BMO	4,610.52
Petty Cash	95.15
Total Chequing/Savings	4,705.67
Total Current Assets	4,705.67
TOTAL ASSETS	**4,705.67**
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	4,850.84
Net Income	-145.17
Total Equity	4,705.67
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	**4,705.67**