



*May 2001*

## Quinte Amateur Radio Club Inc. Newsletter

**PO Box 23039 BELLEVILLE Ontario K8P 5J3**

### **NOTICE OF MEETING:**

- DATE / TIME:** **Wednesday, May 16 @ 7:30 PM**
- LOCATION:** Loyalist College (Pioneer Building) **Room P-17**
- PROGRAM:** Election of Officers. Also we plan to have a discussion and a demonstration concerning the use of computers and the internet to extend the range of amateur radio communications on the bands above 30 MHz., especially the 2-meter and 70-cm. bands.

**Club Repeater: VE3QAR 146.985 MHz. 2 meter net: Wednesday 7:00 PM**

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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 Northway Restaurant 205 N. Front St

**Foxhunt:** Sunday at 2:00 PM. check in on VE3QAR for details.

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### **QARC EXECUTIVE**

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**PAST PRESIDENT:** Dave Ackerman VE3UGT 962-3991 (E-mail: [ve3ugt@rac.ca](mailto:ve3ugt@rac.ca))

## April Minutes

The April meeting was our annual open house. There was no formal business discussed so no minutes were recorded.

Members and guests present were:

Al Sukha VA3ALS, Trenton	Eric Reid VE3GSI, Napanee
Brian Credico VE3GRA, PEC	Tim Raman, SWL, Trenton
Dave Ackerman VE3UGT, PEC	Ron Chapman VE3IVC, Belleville
Ralph Ackerman VE3CSU, PEC	Gerry Wilkins VE3APF, Belleville
Hugh Mansley VA3YID, Campbellford	Bill Milligan VA3WOW, Belleville
George Foster VA3GF, Belleville	Peter Lower VE3KWM, Picton
David Beach VE3STI, Picton	Clare Faulkner VE3BND, Belleville
Ian Morrison VE3IEM, Picton	Jim Mouck VE3NWN, Stirling
David Ward VE3BIP, Belleville	Don Barber VE3IVS, Trenton
Alan Davis VE3HNJ, Belleville	Al Taylor VE3WV, Trenton
Joe Davidson VA3JAD, Marmora	Bob Sloan VA3SLO, Trenton
Paul Davidson VE3UUM, Marmora	Dave Scarlett, Belleville
Dick Hayes VE3EER, Foxboro	Harold Quinn VE3HNQ, Trenton
Tim Pekkonen VE3UO, Belleville	Peter Hodgson VA3PKH, Belleville
Warren Wright VE3JPW, Napanee	

## Election of Officers

May is election month. If anyone would like to have a turn at looking after the club affairs give me a call (Dave ve3ugt) at 962-3991. It has been a long time since we have had an actual election. It would be nice to have an election for at least one position. As it stands now the secretary position is open.

## Stolen 2Metre Radio

Dave Ward VE3BIP

My 2-meter radio was stolen from my car last night. Let me know if you see it. Here is the relevant information.

Equipment type and manufacturer's name: \_\_Kenwood 2 Meter All Mode

Model Number: \_\_\_\_\_ TM-255A

Serial number: \_\_\_\_\_ 61100033

Date stolen \_\_\_\_\_ April 30, 2001

## Local Chairman

The St Lawrence Valley Repeater Council held their election for Chairman on Sunday and Tim Pekkonen VE3UO is now the Chairman of the council. If we get serious about moving QAR, Dave Ward has agreed to act on the club's behalf in any matters concerning this. Congratulations Tim.

## **For Sale**

Shawn Meeks VE3MEE has the following equipment for sale:  
Ten Tec Argosy II with Ten Tec power supply. \$250 (needs work on one 10-metre band switch position)  
Kenwood 440S with power supply asking \$1000  
Icom 27A mobile \$75  
He is open to offers  
All units have synthesized voice readout of frequency for visually impaired operators.  
Call Shawn at 962-0493

## **IARU HF World Championship**

Radio Amateurs of Canada would like to invite Canadian amateurs with an interest in HF Radio Contesting to participate in a Canadian Headquarters entry in this coming July's 2001 IARU HF World Championship. Participants are welcome in any part of Canada, and we will be using various official RAC call signs. Complete contest rules can be found in the April 2001 issue of QST magazine, or at [www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-iaru.html](http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-iaru.html) . Interested parties can contact Derrick Belbas, VE4VV, at [ve4vv@rac.ca](mailto:ve4vv@rac.ca), or by telephone at 204-224-2641, prior to 10 June 2001.

## **OSCAR-40 satellite**

The OSCAR-40 satellite may be flying with a hole in one side, but AMSAT-NA President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, is convinced that "we're going to end up with a darned good satellite" and says some transponder operation may be possible by this summer. (CQ letter)

## **PERC/QARC Net**

Prince Edward Radio Club and Quinte Amateur Radio Club have combined the 2 metre. This has been a great success. The net is on Tuesday at 7:30PM on VE3TJU (146.730 MHz.). We began in early April and each week it seems to be growing. We have gone from two nets with some nights as low as four or five check-ins to a combined net with numbers well into the teens. We hope it will continue to grow.

## **Newsletter**

As you see this month there is not much for the newsletter. Any contributions would be greatly appreciated. Please send your articles to me at [ve3ugt@rac.ca](mailto:ve3ugt@rac.ca) or Dave Ackerman PO Box 3035 Belleville On. K8N-4Z7

# **GREATER NAPANEE HAMFEST**

Jointly sponsored by:

**Kingston Amateur Radio Club**

**Quinte Amateur Radio Club**

SAT. SEPT. 15, 2001

COMMUNITY HALL IN SELBY (North of Napanee on Hwy#41)

Dealers 0700 Public 0900-1300 Admission \$2.00 Have a toonie's worth of fun at the FEST! Talk-in VE3KBR 146.94 (-) and 146.49 simplex Flea Market Tables (8') \$10, half table \$6, tailgate \$5 (tables and space as available so reserve ahead) (Includes admission for one person.)

Examinations if arrangements made by Aug. 31 Basic, Advanced, Morse

Demonstrations, displays, dealers to be announced

Information contact:

Tim, ve3uo@rac.ca (Quinte ARC)

Ron, ve3go@rac.ca (Kingston ARC)

## **Field Day 2001**

QARC will again this year team up with Tri County ARC at Vanderwater Park. Field Day is June 23/24 weekend. Vanderwater Park is located east of Thomasburg. It has good roads leading to the park. You can come and go as you please. If you are looking for something a little more adventuresome see Prince Edward Radio Club's plans below.

## **Prince Edward ARC Field Day**

FIELD DAY 2001: A discussion was held regarding the annual North American Field Day to be held this year on June 23rd and 24th. Mike Grainger reported that two sailboats were available for that weekend and proposed that PERC set up its Field Day operations on Main Duck Island. Bob, VE3SQF, offered to contact the head of Parks Canada for the region, a personal friend, to seek permission for the two-day outing. David, VE3STI, also offered his boat for the trip, subject to his availability. A committee consisting of Mike, VE3ADC and IAN, VE3IEM was struck to begin organizing.

## **A Little Trivia**

### **FIRST RADIO AT SEA**

The first vessel to be fitted with WT (wireless telegraphy) was the East Goodwin Lightship in the mouth of the Thames River which enabled her in 1898 to be in contact with the South Foreland lighthouse, over a distance of 12 miles. When the light ship was struck by a steamer and sunk a year later, in 1899, it was a wireless report to the shore station that enabled the crew to be saved.

This was a short distance and a small beginning to the tremendous ramifications of radio at sea.

# Treasurers Report

## MONTH TO DATE

<b>Revenue</b>		<b>Expenses</b>	
Membership Dues		Bank charges	\$0.00
Coffee		Office Supplies	\$30.17
50/50 Draw		Door Prizes	\$0.00
Donations To QARC	\$0.00	News letter printing	\$23.66
Interest	\$0.86	Insurance	\$0.00
		Door Prize	\$0.00
Total revenue	\$0.86	Total Expenses	\$53.83
		Month to Date Income	-\$52.97

## YEAR TO DATE

<b>Revenue</b>		<b>Expenses</b>	
Membership Dues	\$1,225.00	Social Events	\$9.00
Donations To Club	\$57.50	Post box rental	\$77.04
50/50 Draw	\$27.50	Office supplies	\$268.88
Coffee	\$49.30	News letter printing	\$163.41
Repeater Move	\$0.00	Door Prizes	\$10.00
Interest	\$7.11	Insurance	\$432.00
		Donations	\$75.00
		RAC Membership	\$39.95
		Awards	\$0.00
Total revenue	\$1,366.41	Total Expenses	\$1,075.28
		Year to Date Income	\$291.13
	Cash on Hand		\$4,137.80