



June 2005

Quinte Amateur Radio Club Inc. Newsletter

PO Box 23039 BELLEVILLE Ontario K8P 5J3

NOTICE OF MEETING:

DATE / TIME: June 15 2005, 2005 @7:30PM

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

PROGRAM: Ben Price VE3CDA (RAC Director Ontario North/East) will be the guest speaker.

Club Repeater: VE3QAR 146.985 MHz.

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Monthly Meetings: 3rd Wednesday 7:30 PM Loyalist College
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Hams 'n Eggs: SATURDAYS 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant 135 Cannifton Road

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Guest Speaker for June Meeting: This month's speaker will be Ben Price VE3CDA who is the director for Ontario North/East (postal codes K and P). Ben took over as RAC Director this past January from Doug Leach VE3XK. We are fortunate to be one of the first clubs that Ben will be speaking at, so make plans to come out the meeting to find out what's happening with your national radio organization. This invitation is also extended to all our neighbouring clubs as well.

Summer Meetings: As you are aware we don't have regular meeting of the club at Loyalist College, but we do get together at some of the local eateries on meeting nights in July and August. On **July 20 we will be at Kelsey's** on North Front St in Belleville, and on **August 17 we will be at Crabby Joes** at the corner of Tracey and North Front Streets. Both nights we will meet at 6:30 PM, and you are requested to RSVP to President Mike Papper VE3VMP at 969-1744 or ve3vmp@sympatico.ca .

Get your QARC Tee-Shirt and Mug: A few of the members of the club have been seen in public wearing nifty Tee shirts with the QARC logo and personalised with name and call on them. These are ideal for representing the club at public events and to wear to your favourite fleamarket or hamfest. We will also be offering coffee mugs as well with the same logo and your name and call on them. The price for the tee shirt is \$10 (\$35 for non-members), and the price for the mug is also \$10. **NOTE:** As we were unsure of the pricing of the shirts, some of the first folks to get shirts were over charged. You will be rebated for the overcharge, or you can use the difference for the cost of a mug if you so desire. There will be samples of the tee shirt and mug at the June meeting. We are also asking those who already have tee shirts to wear them to the June meeting.

Fall BASIC Radio Course: We will once again running a Basic Course this Fall. The course will be Mondays and Wednesdays, starting Sept 19, and finishing with the exam on Nov 14 or 16, 2005. The cost will be \$60. Still to be determined is the location of the course. The Trenton ARC have offered the use of their club house again, but one drawback is that it is not wheelchair accessible. If you know or have access to a suitable facility please contact the Course Organiser, Mike Papper VE3VMP. Also if you know of anyone interested in taking the course contact Mike as well.

Multiple Sclerosis Walk Summary May 29, 2005.

(submitted by Ron Chapman VE3IVC - ronald.chapman@sympatico.ca)

We had excellent weather for the walk and there were about 355 people and pets walking, or in wheelchairs on the 10 and 5 K routes. They raised about \$50,000 according to the MS organizers.

The radio club had 12 members assisting along the route for the 5 and 10 K MS walk.

George VE3YD and Ron VE3IVC were at the Base station located in the front hall of Moira Sec School. We used a 440 link to QAR set up in Dave's (VE3UGT) in his truck and a 440 handheld in the school. Nice and compact.

Tim VE3UO was mobile driving around the routes. Peter VE3UR was located at Check point 1, a 5 and 10 k check, at St Michaels School. Mike VE3VMP was at Check point 2 on the Bay Shore in the 10 K section of the walk.

Dave VE3UGT, Bob VE3QWB, Keith VA3KRV, Hermann VA3VHH, Bill VA3WOW, Glen VE3CJG and Doug VE3ZDG, were located along the route to pass on any messages for help to the base station if necessary.

There were a few MS organizational glitches and these were taken care of when they were advised.

As Coordinator for the Radio club I would like to thank all those who took time to help out this year and pass on the thanks from the MS organizers as well. They are looking forward to having us there again next year.

73, Ron VE3IVC

Kingston Fleamarket – Saturday Sept 17: will be held at CFB Kingston at the same location as last year. QARC will have a club table at this event, so if you have an item to sell, bring it along labelled with your call and asking price and drop it off at the table. Last year's event went quite well, and the folks in Kingston are saying it will be bigger and better this year! Mark the date on your calendar now, so you won't miss this event.

QARC Executive Selected: At last month's meeting a new Executive for the club was selected. The 'new' Executive is the same as last year's (see first page). Please note that Don Dalrymple VE3DQN has given notice that this year – 2005/06) will be his last as Treasurer, so we will be assured of at least one new officer next year.

Minutes QARC May Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:36 PM by President Mike VE3VMP.

Upcoming Events:

Ron VE3IVC: MS SuperCities walk on Sunday May 29 - starts and finishes at Moira Secondary School.

Belleville Police Torch Run Monday June 13 - starts at Quinte Mall and goes to City Hall. contact Ron VE3IVC.

Peter VE3UR is looking after the Beast Kids Triathlon on Sunday June 5. Last year we had 8 volunteers and are looking for 10 this year.

Prince Edward County Marathon: Ron VE3IVC was at the last organisational meeting in Bloomfield. This year Keith's mobile home will be at the Picton Fairgrounds to get more publicity for Amateur radio.

Annual Auction: This years auction yielded \$ 40 for the club. Check out the pictures of the auction on the PERC website.

Door Prize: a RAC mug was donated by Dave VE3BIP and won by Bob VE3QWB. The 50/50 draw (\$12.50) was won by Keith VA3KRV.

Tour of the County Foxhunt: there were 6 teams entered. Only one team found all three foxes. The Fall 'Tour of the County' Foxhunt is tentatively planned for the Saturday after the Thanksgiving long weekend. Don't forget that weekly foxhunts are held Thursdays starting at 7 PM - listen on QAR starting at 6 PM to see if there will be a hunt.

The June meeting will feature Ben Price VE3CDA (RAC Director Ontario North/East) as guest speaker. Circle June 15 on your calendar.

Field Day June 25&26: Once again we will team up with PERC and have our Field Day at the School House on Huff's Island in Prince Edward County.

Summer Meetings: We don't have formal meetings at Loyalist during the summer, but we will be getting together for dinner during the summer months. On July 20 we will be at Crabby Joes and on August 17 we will be at Kelseys. Both dates start at 6 PM.

Minutes (cont'd)

Tim VE3UO announced the Kingston Fleamarket will be on Saturday Sept 17 at CFB Kingston, Drill Hall Alpha (same location as last year.) QARC will have a table at the fleamarket.

Possible OPP Com Center Tour? Len VE3LRM wrote an excellent article in our May 'QRM' Newsletter regarding his recent media tour of this facility in Smiths Falls. He is looking at a club tour of the facility this summer. More info to follow at the June QARC meeting.

The October QARC meeting will have a presentation by the Belleville Astronomy Club.

Keith VA3KRV mentioned the following websites of interest:

<http://www.icomamerica.com/downloads/bandchar.pdf>/ US Bandplans

<http://www.icomamerica.com/downloads/usgridsq.pdf>. Gridsquare map

<http://www.dzkit.com/> Kit for HF radio by former Heathkit employee

And now the moment we have all been waiting for: E L E C T I O N S !!!

This year's election was conducted by Past President Peter VE3UR. He announced the current Executive was willing to serve for another year. He then asked if anyone from the floor was interested in running for a position on the Executive.

The silence was deafening.

Therefore the current Executive has been acclaimed for 2005-06:

President: Mike Papper VE3VMP

Vice President: Greg Schatzmann VE3CH

Secretary: Tim Pekkonen VE3UO

Treasurers: Don Dalrymple VE3DQN & Bill Milligan VA3WOW

Past President: Peter Hodgson VE3UR

Program: Thanks to Len VE3LRM for filling for Greg VE3CH in setting up the laptop and projector to view the video presentation. Unfortunately 'Murphy' was also helping out as well.

This month's presentation was an ARRL video on Broad band over power line (BPL) by Ed Hare W1RFI.

Ed can be contacted at w1rfi@arrl.org.

The following websites may be of use:

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/bpl/>

<http://www.arrl.org/~ehare/bpl/hyperlinks.html>

We also viewed a clip of the recent Morse versus Text message demo on the Tonight Show. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM - attendance was 18.

The Difference Between Women And Men:

1. NAMES

If Laurie, Linda, Elizabeth and Barbara go out for lunch, they will call each other Laurie, Linda, Elizabeth and Barbara.

If Mark, Chris, Eric and Tom go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Godzilla, Peanut-Head and Scrappy.

2. EATING OUT

When the bill arrives, Mark, Chris, Eric and Tom will each throw in a \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back.

When the women get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

3. MONEY

A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs.

A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need, but it's on sale.

4. BATHROOMS

A man has five items in his bathroom: a toothbrush, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel from the Marriott.

The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify most of these items.

5. ARGUMENTS

A woman has the last word in any argument.

Anything a man says after that ... is the beginning of a new argument.

6. FUTURE

A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband.

A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

7. SUCCESS

A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend.

A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

8. MARRIAGE

A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't.

A man marries a woman expecting that she won't changeand she does

9. DRESSING UP

A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the garbage, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail.

A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

10. NATURAL

Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed.

Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

11. OFFSPRING

Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favorite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams.

A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

12. THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Any married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing.

AND FINALLY....

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position.

As they passed a barnyard of mules, jack asses, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, "Relatives of yours?"

"Yep," the wife replied, "in-laws."