



September 2007

Quinte Amateur Radio Club Inc. Newsletter

PO Box 23039 BELLEVILLE Ontario K8P 5J3

NOTICE OF MEETING:

DATE / TIME: Sept 19, 2007 @7:30PM

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

PROGRAM: Richard VE3MHY will talk on feed lines.

Club Repeaters: VE3QAR: 146.985 Mhz / 444.475 Mhz. (118.8 Hz PL)

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-2

Hams 'n Eggs: SATURDAYS 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant 135 Cannifton Road

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QARC June Meeting Minutes

Members gathered at 7pm on the parking lot at Loyalist College for the club's 60th Anniversary Photo.

Prior to picture taking - we began with a moment of silence for **silent keys Paul Davidson ve3uum/va3uum** - an outstanding amateur, and **Charley Young ve3buu** a member of the QARC executive in 1949-1951.

When we were done taking several pictures, group and individual, we went inside, the meeting was called to order by President Mike at 7:20pm.

Congratulations to new hams, Al Morton va3ugt; Tony Seward va3tny; John Dixon va3yns; and Matt Dwight ve3occ. Congratulations also to Al ve3owo and Geoff ve3xfe, for passing their advanced exams.

Financial Report from Treasurer Miles ve3xdx: As of the end of May the club has \$ 5,306.16

As a Thank You for snacks provided in the past, a gift certificate for Fabricland was given to Dave ve3ugt to give to his xyl.

Welcome to Syd Horne ve3ego, Dave Reid ve6bir, and Doug Maloney ve3tdz

Correspondence: We received a Thank You from Joe and Rose Davidson va3jad for the club's donation made in memory of Paul ve3uum. Also a Thank You from Peter ve3ur's xyl Eleanor for the flowers sent to her for her hospital stay.

A reminder there will be **no regular meetings in July and August**, however, there will be dinner meetings. The club's 60th Anniversary Dinner will be held next month, **July 18th**, at the Red Rock Canyon Restaurant, North Front Street Belleville, at 6:30pm. The August dinner meeting will be held on **August 15**, at the Boathouse Restaurant, 32 South Front St., Belleville, also at 6:30. Please let President Mike know (ve3ox@rac.ca) if you will be attending so he can tell the restaurants how many people will be there.

2007 Summer Foxhunts will be held on the 4th Thursdays of July and August. Hunters to meet at the old Ben Bleecker Auditorium parking lot, Bridge and Sidney Streets, Belleville. See the website for further info: <http://www.qarc.on.ca/foxhunt.htm>

The 2007 Prince Edward County Marathon will be held on Sunday October 14. Please let Mike ve3ox or Ron ve3ivc know if you are able to help in any way. QARC and Prince Edward Radio Club are putting the call for assistance out to all amateurs in our area, and from neighbouring radio clubs, Trenton, Tri-County and Kingston. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Mike Papper ve3ox@rac.ca 613-969-1744, or Ron Chapman ve3ivc@rac.ca 613-966-2910. <http://www.qarc.on.ca/marathon.htm>

Please note, the Quinte Restaurant 135 Cannifton Road, where the club holds it's weekly Saturday breakfasts, is closed for a couple weeks. Until it opens, the breakfasts will be held at the Caddy Shack Restaurant, highway 37 north of Belleville, the old Hollyrood Restaurant, at 8am. However, the June 30 weekly breakfast will be held at the Smiling Wilderness Restaurant, 824 Palace Road, just off highway 401, Napanee, and will start at 8:30. To car-pool; meet at the Quinte Restaurant at 8am.

There was no repeater update report this month.

ARES Report: Bill va3wow, advises the Tri-County Club will be holding it's monthly breakfast at the Cedar Ridge Restaurant, highway 7 west of Marmora, on Saturday June 30. Bill read his report sent to ARES, a tribute to Silent Key Paul Davidson ve3uum.

Doug ve3zdg reports the Prince Edward Club will be liquidating equipment of Morley Wiltse ve3cyw at the Kingston Flea Market Sept. 15

QARC was given a certificate of appreciation from the organizers of the Belleville Super Cities MS Walk last month, to say thanks for the help.

Door Prize of a Radio World Cap won by Kevin va3gsi, and a telephone answering machine was won by Al ve3owo. The 50/50 draw (\$ 34.00) was won by Dave ve3ugt. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the Field Day June 23 and 24.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm with 41 in attendance. Everyone enjoyed coffee and snacks after the meeting.

Bob Moore, VE3QWB

ve3qwb@rac.ca

Secretary, QARC

Minutes of our May 2007 Meeting.

For a complete listing of events, activities and other related Amateur Radio information go to www.qarc.on.ca.

Christmas Dinner

There has been much discussion about having a club Christmas dinner, and during those discussions, much has been said about the difficulty in getting commitments to participate. This lack of commitment makes it difficult to plan and organize such an event, and thus, as has happened in the past, the gathering often takes place in a restaurant. Such a venue limits the get-together to simply a meal, whereas a private facility could offer the opportunity to have a pre-meal social "cocktail hour", and the opportunity to linger and mingle after dinner.

It is being proposed that we hold the QARC Christmas gathering and dinner at the Belleville Club, and have it catered. Assuming a crowd of no less than 40 people, the cost, per person, would be approximately \$35. A cash bar would also be available. The motion also approves that QARC will assume responsibility for any deficit that might result if less than 40 people participate. Currently, we are holding December 12 as the date, and we need to have the following motion passed in order to secure the reservation.

Motion: The executive of QARC are directed to organize the Christmas dinner, to be held at The Belleville Club, budgeting for 40 participants and with a per person ticket cost of no more than \$35; and that the club will be financially responsible for any deficit should there be fewer than 40 paying participants at the event.

Moved by: Brian Williams VA3BRW

HF Beacon On The Air

(ODXA Listening In, Sept 2007)

Steve Canney, VA3SC, has his beacon on the air from Holland Landing, Ontario.

Monitor for VA3SRC on 28.185 KHz CW and send reports to Steve at va3sc@yahoo.ca

Halloween Safe Streets 2007 – Wed. Oct 31

Once again QARC will be teaming up with Belleville Community Policing volunteers and Loyalist College students to help keep Belleville's streets safe for 'Trick-or-Treaters' on Wednesday October 31. This year should be a bit different than past years, in that the switch to Standard Time will occur after Halloween, instead of on the weekend before. This means the 'Trick-or-Treaters' will have more daylight to go door to door.

As those who have participated in previous years know, a mandatory Police background check is required for all volunteers. Contact Tim Pekkonen VE3UO for a volunteer form. There will be forms at the September QARC meeting as well.

2007 Autumn Foxhunts

There will be a series of Monthly Fall Foxhunts as follows:

Sunday Sept 16: This will be a two transmitter Foxhunt to be used as a 'warm-up' for the October 'Tour of The County' Foxhunt. The start location of this hunt will be Roblin Lake in Ameliasburgh and the first Fox Transmission will be at **1:00 PM**.

Saturday October 13: Autumn 'Tour of The County' Foxhunt – The hunt will begin at 12:00 noon on Saturday, October 13, 2007 and will begin at Pinecrest Elementary School, 27 County Road 30. (**Google Maps Co-ordinates: N43 59.499' - W77 13.592'**) (This is located just north of the Village of Bloomfield.) *NOTE: This is change of location from previous hunts.*

If you are a first time hunter let us know and we can provide some instruction approximately 1/2 hour prior to the start of the hunt.

Sunday November 11: Start time and location to be determined.

Rules

Everyone is welcome. If you have never hunted before come to the start location and ride along with one of the more experienced hunters. There is some spare equipment available so ask one of the regular hunters if you may borrow some equipment to try foxhunting. First transmission will be at 2:00 PM (Sept and Nov) and the hunt should be over within 90 minutes or less.

The fox can be anywhere with the following guidelines. Must be heard from the start point. Must be in a public location; i.e. no private property. Must be in a safe location; e.g. not in a high traffic area.

Hunters start at the former Ben Bleecker arena at the corner of Sidney St and Bridge St in Belleville. If there are participants from the County we can switch the start point to Bloomfield for some of the hunts.

**** Shortest driving distance wins. ****

After the hunt we can meet at a location to be determined to do a post hunt analysis, pick a fox for the next month, and discuss other important events of the day.

Dave Ward, VE3BIP ve3bip@rac.ca

Explanation of Membership Renewals

For Fiscal Year 2007/2008

Club dues are payable starting at the beginning of the fiscal year, i.e. July 1, 2007. Because some memberships would have come due during the fiscal year, those members will pay partial dues for 2007/08 as per the table:

Expiry	Dues Required for 2007/08
August 2007	\$22.00
September 2007	\$20.00
October 2007	\$18.00
November 2007	\$16.00
December 2007	\$14.00
January 2008	\$12.00
February 2008	\$10.00
March 2007	\$8.00
April 2007	\$6.00
May 2007	\$4.00
June 2007	\$2.00

Starting July 1, 2008, all members will pay dues of \$25.00 per fiscal year, as per amended Bylaw #3 below.

The following amendments to the QARC Constitution were voted on and APPROVED by the membership at the March 21, 2007 meeting of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club.
Notice of Motion to Change Bylaw #3

Bylaw #3 formerly stated

There shall be membership dues. Dues are to be renewed annually on the anniversary of the date the member joins the corporation, and the amount of annual dues is to be fixed by the Board of Directors, and approved by a quorum of members present at any regular meeting or annual meeting.

Bylaw #3 was changed to read

There shall be membership dues. Dues are to be renewed on or before the beginning of the fiscal year starting July 1 of said year, and the amount of annual dues is to be fixed by the Board of Directors, and approved by a quorum of members present at any regular meeting or annual meeting. Members not renewing their dues prior to January 1 of fiscal year shall cease to be members of the corporation and their names removed from the membership list.

Notice of Motion to make Addition to Regulation #4

Those persons eligible to join the club (i.e. NEW members) during the fiscal year shall pay dues as follows:

First Quarter:	July August September	\$25.00
Second Quarter:	October November December	\$20.00
Third Quarter:	January February March	\$15.00
Fourth Quarter:	April & May	\$10.00
Note: It is expected that new members joining in June would normally pay Full Dues for the following fiscal year.		

Reasons for the change:

Was originally done this way. Membership changed this to have monies coming in throughout the year; it is the same amount no matter when you collect it. Means that generic messages can go out to all members of the reminder to pay their dues (newsletter).

Members will no longer need to remember the anniversary of their joining. Less paperwork for Miles and Tim.

Miles LeClair, VE3XDX ve3xdx@rac.ca

Treasurer, QARC

These amendments were voted on and passed at the March 2007 Meeting of QARC.

Field Day Results

Field Day was held again this year at the Huffs Island Community Centre.

Call Used: VE3RL GOTA Station Call: (none) ARRL/RAC Section: ON

Class: 2A

Participants: 15 Club/Group Name: Quinte ARC &
Prince Edward Radio Club

Power Source(s): Generator

Power Multiplier: 2X

Bonus Points

100% Emergency power	200
Media Publicity	100
Set-up in Public Place	100
Information Booth	100
NTS message to ARRL SM/SEC	100
W1AW Field Day Message	100
Site Visit by invited served agency official	100
Youth participation	20
Youth operators=1	
Youth participants=1	
Submitted via the Web	50
Total Bonus Points	870

Score Summary:

	CW	Digital	Phone	Total	
Total QSOs	480	0	279		
Total Points	960	0	279	1239	Claimed Score = 2,478

Submitted by:

Al Law, VE3FZ

Band/Mode QSO Breakdown:

	CW		Digital		Phone		
	QSOs	Pwr(W)	QSOs	Pwr(W)	QSOs	Pwr(W)	
80m	146	100			70	100	
40m	184	100			149	100	
20m	142	100			59	100	
15m	8	100			1	100	
10m							
6m							
2m							
1.25							
Other							
Satellite							
GOTA							
TOTAL	480		0		279		