

Quinte 'QRM'

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

DATE / TIME: Wednesday June 16, 2021 at **7:30 PM**

LOCATION: ZOOM 'Virtual' Meeting. An email will be sent out on the day of the meeting with the appropriate log-in information.

We hope to have the latest status on the VE3KFR repeater at the meeting.

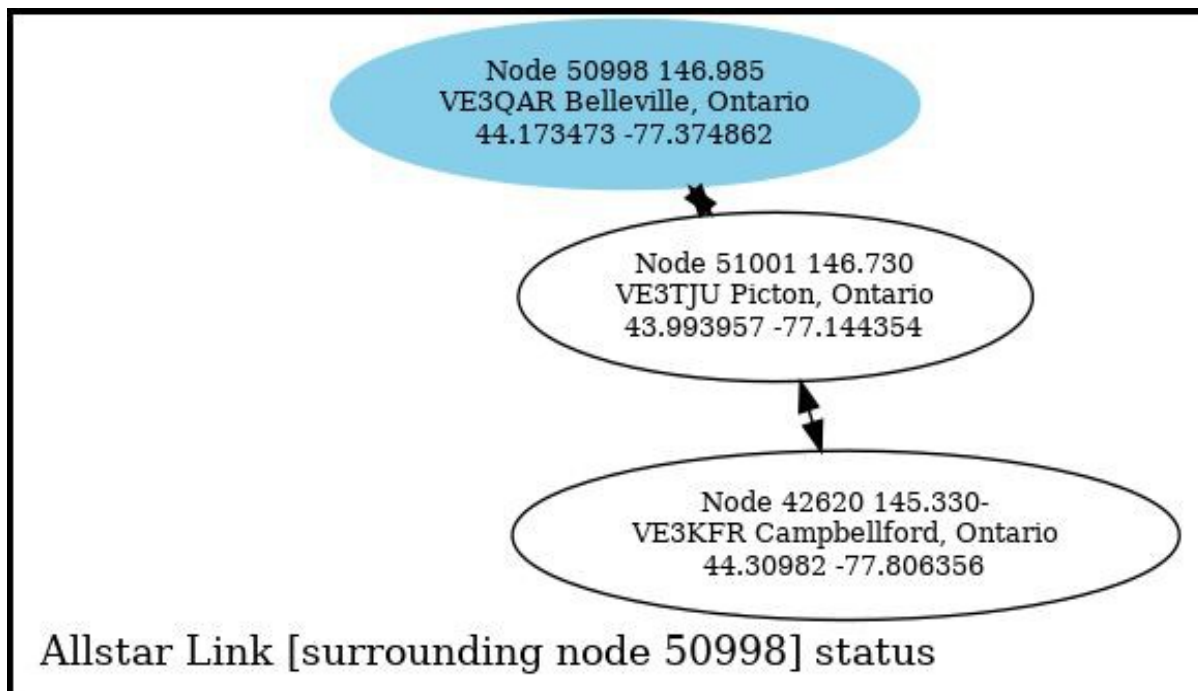
VE3QAR Belleville: 146.985 MHz (118.8 Hz) Allstar Node 50998	VE3QAR: 444.475 Mhz - Yaesu System FUSION (118.8 Hz) Node ID: 30589 Room ID: 40589
VE3KFR Campbellford: 145.33 MHz/442.9 (162.2 Hz) Allstar Node 42620	Hams 'n Eggs: Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville
Monthly Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 PM Loyalist College (Pioneer Bldg) Room P13, Belleville	Tri-County Breakfast Meetings: Saturdays @ 10:00 AM Riverview Restaurant, 6 Front St N, Campbellford
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QARC Members Group: https://qarc.groups.io/g/main - Post to the group: main@qarc.groups.io	

QARC DIRECTORS 2020 - 2021 & 2021-22

President	Dave Ackerman	VE3UGT	ve3ugt@rac.ca
Vice President	Mike Drake	VA3BKQ	va3bkq@rac.ca
Secretary	Bob Moore	VE3QWB	ve3qwb@rac.ca
Treasurer	Allan Twamley	VE3XQV	atwamley@oxpoint.ca
Director at Large	Pete Blakely	VA3PGB	blackgunpowder5054@gmail.com

Appointed Positions:

Past President & 'QRM' Editor	Tim Pekkonen	VE3UO	ve3uo@rac.ca
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Webmaster www.qarc.on.ca	Chris Wiesner	VA3SM	va3sm@protonmail.com
Refreshments	John Howieson	VA3JO	howieson.ca@gmail.com



<http://stats.allstarlink.org/getstatus.cgi?50998>

QARC Zoom Meeting Minutes - May 19, 2021

President Dave VE3UGT had sent out an invitation informing members that this will be the QARC Annual General Meeting and election of directors. He also said that the first part of this meeting will be elections of officers for the year 2021 - 2022. There were no elections last year as we were at the start of the lock-down and had not started virtual meetings. All the directors last year agreed to stay in their positions until we are able to hold an election. Our past president Tim VE3UO will conduct the elections. In the last newsletter, anyone interested in becoming a director or wish to nominate one, please contact Tim. We can accept your nomination at the meeting, but it would be better with the virtual meeting if you could contact Tim prior to the meeting. Again this year, all current directors are willing to let their names stand for re-election for the next year.

Wanting to make sure everyone that wished to attend could, Dave didn't start the meeting until 7:40, with a welcome and reminder this will be our first Zoom Annual General Meeting and election of directors. He then turned the meeting over to our Past President Tim VE3UO to run the election.

Tim said all members have known the elections were going to be tonight and were asked to contact him with anyone volunteering or nominating someone for any elected position, but nobody contacted him. He then said all current executive are willing to let their names stand in the election.

The current executives are: **President** Dave Ackerman VE3UGT, **Vice President** Mike Drake VA3BKQ, **Secretary** Bob Moore VE3QWB, **Treasurer** Allan Twamley VE3XQV & **Director at Large** Pete Blakely VA3PGB.

Tim then asked all attendees if anyone wished to stand for, or nominate someone for, the position of **President**. After asking again and again nobody offered a name, he declared **Dave VE3UGT as President**.

Tim then asked all attendees if anyone wished to stand for, or nominate someone for, the position of **Vice President**. After asking again and again nobody offered a name, he declared **Mike VA3BKQ as Vice President**.

Tim then asked all attendees if anyone wished to stand for, or nominate someone for, the position of **Secretary**. After asking again and again nobody offered a name, he declared **Bob VE3QWB as Secretary**.

Tim then asked all attendees if anyone wished to stand for, or nominate someone for, the position of **Treasurer**. After asking again and again nobody offered a name, he declared **Allan VE3XQV as Treasurer**.

Tim asked all attendees if anyone wished to stand for, or nominate someone for, the position of **Director At Large**. After asking again and again nobody offered a name, he declared **Pete VA3PGB as Director At Large**.

Tim then asked for a motion to close nominations and elections. **Motion** by Chadwick VA3WCK. Seconded by Sandra VE3HON. Carried.

Tim then congratulated the executive and thanked them for another year of serving Quinte Amateur Radio Club. He then turned the meeting back over to President Dave VE3UGT. Dave thanked Tim VE3UO for his help then said the minutes of the April meeting were in the newsletter and asked for a motion to accept them. **Motion** by Tim VE3WGJ. Seconded by Gerry VE3APF. Carried.

Next Dave said the treasurer's report was also in the newsletter and asked for a motion to accept his report. **Motion** by Brian VE3HQR. Seconded by Tim VE3UO. Carried.

At last week's PERC meeting it came up about offering passing student's free membership in either QARC or PERC club and asked for a motion to do so. **Motion** by Pete VA3PGB. Seconded by Matthew VE3FL. Carried. This was followed by a discussion about how best to advertise the next class, via local media, social media or otherwise. Dennis VA3DWK said it is difficult to advertise a class is going to run until we have enough students to make it worthwhile. Bob VE3QWB told Dennis he could advertise to local media, some of them want a few weeks lead time to start advertising, adding to the difficulty but can send the information out any time.

Then Matthew VE3ZQW congratulated Sea Cadet Petty Officer Second Class **Duncan Culliton, VA3FSY** of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Quinte, as the star Cadet and recent Basic course grad for being on the cover of the most recent issue (May-June 2021) of *The Canadian Amateur* magazine. The interesting story inside is spread over 3 pages.

There are no plans for a get together for **Field Day** as it is thought it will be the same as last year, we can pool our results. <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>

Repeater report: VE3KFR 145.33 repeater has an issue with the upper antenna that has greatly reduced the coverage area. The repeater committee has discussed some solutions and came up with what we think is the best route to take. There is a fellow James lined up to climb the tower and check the antenna, it's mounts, coax and connectors. Each time he goes to a tower site he charges \$ 1,695.00, so to save a second trip he will come prepared to fix or replace anything that needs attention. There was a discussion about alternative solutions but it was decided since someone is ready to do the job, leave it with him. Motion by Peter VA3PGB to leave the fellow already lined up to do the work and allow a maximum expense of \$ 2,700.00 to cover new antenna, mounts, feed line and connectors if required. Seconded by Matthew VE3FL. Carried. Brian VE3HQR will contact the Fire Chief whose tower the antenna is on to see if the municipality would be willing to share the cost.

We are looking at the possibility of adding a repeater to the system at Eldorado, but with repairs to VE3KFR repeater, it's coverage might be improved.

Matt VE3FL talked about moving the PERC VE3TJU 146.73 repeater to a different part of the building it is in. He is looking at extending the coax for a 45 foot run from the tower to the new repeater room. He will be dealing with issues like signal loss, using Heliax for all 4 antenna feed lines with less loss in the 40 to 85 foot extensions for all 4 antennas. When the work is done, VE3TJU will be off the air for a day. Will's VA3JWO repeater 145.37 will be available for backup for regular traffic and the Bay Bridge Net.

In Belleville, Queen Victoria school was slated to close at Christmas, but they have not started building the new school yet, so we don't know how much longer it will be able to stay there.

Dave said that completes the meeting agenda, then went through the attendees to see if anyone had anything else to bring up.

The meeting closed at 9:32.

ATTENDEES: DAVE VE3UGT, HANS VE3OR, ERIC VA3EP,
DENNIS VA3DWK, CHADWICK VA3WCK, JAMES VA3JXB, GERRY VE3APF,
TIM VE3UO, SANDRA VE3HON, TIM VE3WGJ, LES VA3LBZ,
WILL VA3JWO, MATTHEW VE3FL, AL VE3FZ, BRIAN VE3GI,
MATTHEW VE3ZQW, PETE VA3PGB, CAMERON VE3GVG, ROBERT VA3KRJ,
BOB VA3NGE, EARL VE3EPJ, BRIAN VE3HQR, KEITH VA3KRV,
& BOB VE3QWB

Our next meeting will be on Zoom, Wed. June 16, 7:30 pm. An invitation will be sent out prior to the meeting.

Minutes taken by Bob VE3QWB @rac.ca, QARC Secretary.

Membership Renewals

Treasurer Allan Twamley VE3XQV has sent out renewals for QARC membership for July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022. If you have not received a renewal notice contact Allan at atwamley@oxpoint.ca You have the option of mailing in a cheque, or pay via e-transfer. If you know of someone who is not a QARC member, but would like to join, have them send a note to Allan at the same email address above.

Field Day June 26 & 27

Quinte and Prince Edward Radio clubs will be doing the same as last year operating independantly and submitting scores to ARRL for a group aggregate score. Make sure when you submit your log to record the participating Ham Group as “**Quinte & Prince Edward Radio Clubs**” Hopefully next years Field Day (2022) will be a more traditional one that we are all used to. Unfortunately it appears that we might have to look for a different venue as the fate of the Prince Edward Auto Club seems to be uncertain at this time. Field Day Info see: <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>

For Field Day 2021 - Class D stations may work all other Field Day stations, including other Class D stations, for points. This year, however, Class D and Class E stations will be limited to 150 W PEP output.

An aggregate club score will be published — just as it was done last year. The aggregate score will be a sum of all individual entries that attributed their score to that of a specific club.

See: <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-to-extend-field-day-rule-waivers-from-2020-add-class-d-and-e-power-limit>

Please note the following as we move into the Summer and Fall and the Pandemic seems to be winding down. The numbers are getting better but we're not out of the woods yet.

At this time we are not planning any social get togethers for July and August, however we are planning to have *ZOOM* meetings on the third Wednesday in July and August. At this point in time it's anybody's guess as to whether there will be in person 'face to face' meetings come September. Please keep watch on the QARC IO group as well as the Tuesday evening Bay Bridge Net for any developments that may occur over the summer.

The 'temporary' Daily Bay Bridge Net at 10:00 AM is still chugging along with healthy numbers of check ins and some discussions of interesting topics, some of which are even ham radio related! On Saturday June 5 the Net celebrated it's 438th edition.

Saturday breakfasts at the Quinte Restaurant will resume when the Ontario Gov't places the province into Step 3 of the COVID-19 Reopening roadmap.

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontario>

If Field Day (mentioned above) isn't your preferred on air operating event, check out the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) **Canada Day Contest** on Thursday July 1. The operating period is from 00:00 UTC to 23:59:59 UTC on July 1. For more information and complete rules please visit:

<https://www.rac.ca/rac-canada-day-contest-celebrate-canadas-birthday-on-the-air/>

The next issue of this newsletter will be in September. Yes, your Editor is taking the summer off. In the meantime have an enjoyable summer (as much as one can, anyway!) and hopefully things will appear better when we've all had our second COVID shot.

73, Tim Pekkonen VE3UO

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QARC Financial

As of May 31, 2021

	Jul '20 - May 21		31 May 20
Ordinary Income/Expense		ASSETS	
Income		Current Assets	
Contribution To Club	20	Chequing/Savings	
Dues	1,535	Chequing - BMO	10,249
Radio Courses Income	125	Petty Cash	151
Total Income	1,680	Total Chequing/Savings	10,400
Cost of Goods Sold		Accounts Receivable	
Cost of Goods Sold	129	Accounts Receivable	150
Total COGS	129	Total Accounts Receivable	150
Gross Profit	1,551	Other Current Assets	
Expense		Inventory Asset	677
Bank Service Charges	5	Over/Short	34
Donations	175	Undeposited Funds	70
Insurance Expense	573	Total Other Current Assets	781
Office Supplies	178	Total Current Assets	11,331
Total Expense	931	Fixed Assets	
Net Ordinary Income	620	Club Equipment	205
Net Income	620	Total Fixed Assets	205
		TOTAL ASSETS	11,536
		LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
		Liabilities	
		Current Liabilities	
		Other Current Liabilities	
		Prepaid Dues	
		PPD 20/21	110
		PPD 21/22	20
		Total Prepaid Dues	130
		TCARC Merger Funds	1,393
		Total Other Current Liabilities	1,523
		Total Current Liabilities	1,523
		Total Liabilities	1,523
		Equity	
		Opening Balance Equity	10,462
		Retained Earnings	-712
		Net Income	262
		Total Equity	10,012
		TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	11,535