

Quinte 'QRM'

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

DATE / TIME: Monday January 15, 2024 at 7:00 PM

LOCATION: RCSCC Quinte Sea Cadet Building
16 South Front St, Belleville

PROGRAM: Our Treasurer **Attila Kostya VE3KAS** will give a presentation on the Ham Clock on a Raspberri Pi.

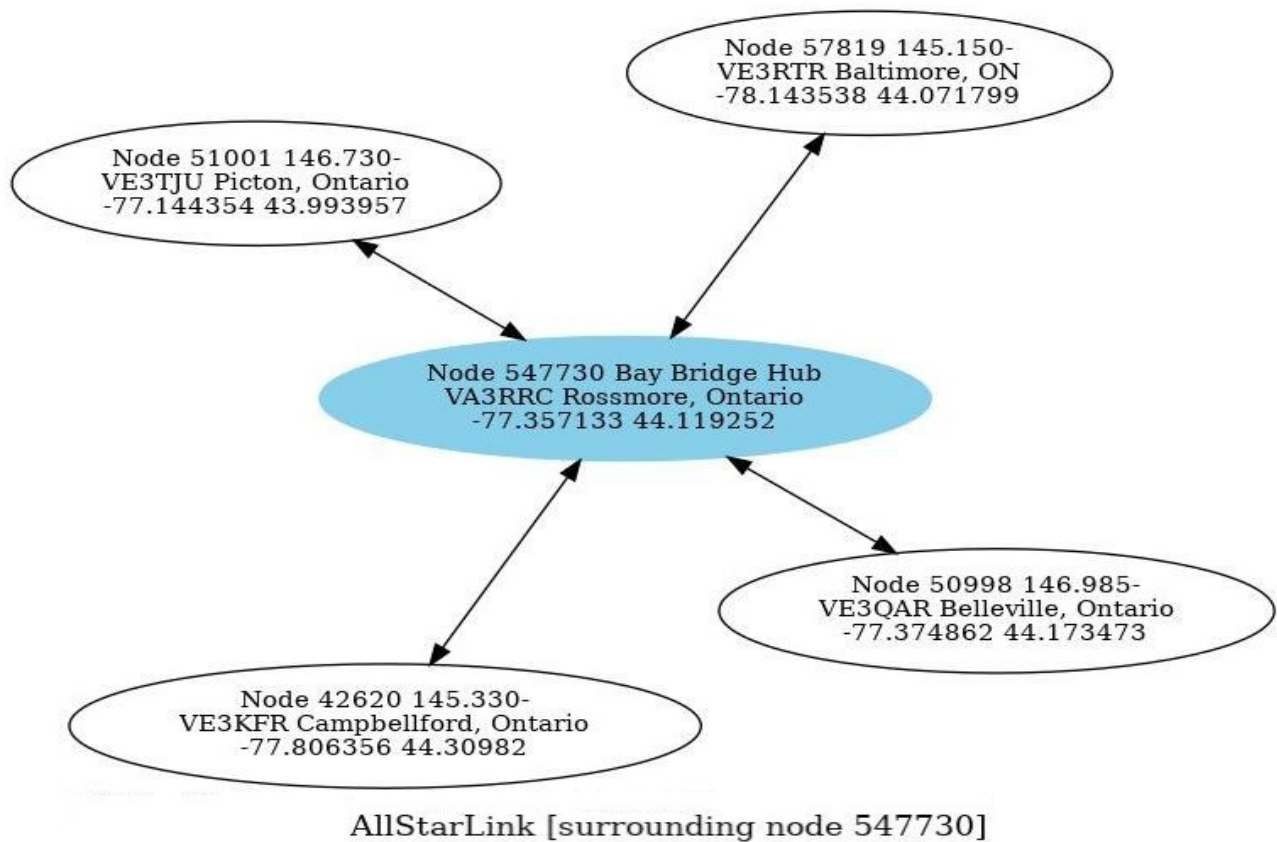
VE3QAR Belleville: 146.985 MHz (118.8 Hz) Allstar Node 50998	VE3QAR: 444.475 Mhz - Yaesu System FUSION (118.8 Hz) Node ID: 30589 Room ID: 40589
VE3KFR Campbellford: 145.33 MHz/442.9 (162.2 Hz) Allstar Node 42620 (Echolink 238523)	VE3RTR Cobourg (Rice Lake): 145.15 / 444.975 (162.2 Hz) Allstar Node 57819
Monthly Meetings: Third Monday @ 7:00 PM RCSCC Quinte Sea Cadet building, 16 S.Front St	Hams 'n Eggs: Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville
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QARC Members Group: https://qarc.groups.io/g/main - Post to the group: main@qarc.groups.io	

QARC DIRECTORS 2023 - 2024

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<http://stats.allstarlink.org/stats/547730/networkMap>

VA3RRC AllStar Node #547730

VA3RRC-L Echolink Node #747943

Minutes of the November 20,2023 Meeting

The meeting was **brought to order** by President Dave Ackerman VE3OX at 7:00 pm.

Dave VE3OX welcomed members, visitors and guests.

A **motion** to accept the September minutes as published in the newsletter was made by Dennis VA3DWK and seconded by Bob VA3ACE. **Motion carried.**

A treasurer's report was made by Attila VE3KAS to the membership. A **motion** to accept the treasurer's report was made by Bob VA3ACE and seconded by Tim VE3UO. **Motion was carried.**

A letter was received from the **CNIB** requesting a donation. A **motion** was made by Bob VA3ACE to donate \$100.00 and was seconded by Attila VE3KAS. **Motion was carried.**

There was a **dues reminder** mentioned by Dave VE3OX and Attila VE3KAS.

President Dave VE3OX confirmed the **Christmas** get together At the **Elk's Lodge** In Allisonville on Saturday November 25. The hall opens at 2:00 pm and the band starts at 3:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm.

There was some informal discussion about the status of the various repeaters and the then the meeting was ajourned.

Members in attendance:

Dennis VA3DWK,	Cameron VE3GVG,	Tim VE3UO,	Don VE3LYX,
Matthew VE3ZQW,	George VA3XMG,	Lee VA3LHM,	Dave VE3OX,
Eric VA3DOO,	Hans VE3OR,	Jim VE3VDQ,	Attila VE3KAS,
Peter VE3UR,	Bob VA3NGE,	Bob VA3ACE,	Brian VE3LEG,
Bob VE3QWB	Online:	Steven VE3PTA,	Al VE3FZ.

Items Available

The club has been contacted by the family of **Barry Davis VA3BWB** who became a **Silent Key** in 2021. There are seven small shelving stands of small circuit boards, LED's and various other small parts. There are also a couple of books on programming ESP32 with an Arduino. These items will be at the meeting on January 15 for your inspection. Thanks to **Bob Moore VE3QWB** for looking after this.

Barry VA3BWB was retired from the Military, and more active in the CFB Radio club than in the QARC.

April 8 Solar Eclipse Preparations

On **Wednesday February 7** Peter Hodgson VE3UR and Tim Pekkonen VE3UO will be attending a Hastings County emergency management exercise organised by Leanne Latter CEMC, the Emergency Planning Coordinator for Hastings County, in preparation for the total solar eclipse that will take place on **Monday April 8**. Several of our neighbouring municipalities along the 401 corridor will be in the path of totality for this once in a lifetime event, and there is the possibility of a large influx of visitors to our area. Participants include several of the municipalities in Hastings County that are in the path of totality, Prince Edward County, Northumberland County, the City of Kingston, HPE Public Health, Quinte Health and Quinte Conservation.

The exercise on February 7 be a workshop/table top exercise to identify and discuss the potential consequences of that kind of convergence, determine roles and responsibilities, and work through a table top scenario to further understand our capabilities and develop a plan to mitigate and respond to the event.

For Information on Eclipses visible in the Quinte Region see:

<https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/in/canada/belleville>

Which Ham License Do You Have ?

Your Newsletter Editor had a bit too much time on his hands during the holiday season and was curious as which class of radio license each of our members has. So he went through the Industry Canada callsign database and came up with the following results for your perusal -

Advanced, Basic, Morse Code - 31 members

Advanced, Basic with Honours - 7 members

Advanced, Basic - 7 members

Basic with Honours - 12 members

Basic, Morse Code - 4 members

Basic - 6 members

This totals 67 Hams. It doesn't include Michael Huettlin who has a German Ham license; and our two SWL members.

2024 Hamfests & Fleamarkets

Saturday April 6 -	Iroquois Amateur Radio Club Fleamarket, Iroquois, ON https://hambone.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2320
Saturday May 11 -	Rideau Lakes Amateur Radio Club Hamfest, Smiths Falls, ON https://www.ve3rlr.ca/p/httpsgoo.html **New Location**
May 17, 18 & 19 -	Hamvention® 2024 - Greene County Fairgrounds, Xenia, Ohio http://hamvention.org/
Saturday September 7 -	Ottawa (Carp) 2024 Hamfest, Carp Fairgrounds, ON https://oarc.net/hamfest2024

For more information on these and other hamfests/fleamarkets, see:

<https://hambone.ca/rac/events/upcoming.php> & <https://www.ontars.com/>

Repeater News

It's looking like Queen Victoria School will be shutting down this coming June, so our move is approaching. We have a good lead on a new location for the repeater with increased height and emergency back up power. **Nothing formal has been signed yet**, so for the time being no news will be made public via this newsletter. There are a few people who know of where we will likely be going, and they are asked not mention anything on the air about our new location. More discussion likely at this month's meeting as we will have to spend some \$\$\$ to get operational.

Dave VE3OX reports the UHF Fusion repeater (444.475) is back in C4FM mode only. The computer that was running the software for the repeater gave up the ghost which forced the repeater off the air. The club thanks **Eric Pierce VA3EP** for the donation of a replacement computer to get the repeater operational.

QARC Financial Report

As of 31 December 2023

Revenue		Financial Assets	
	Balance		Balance
Membership Dues	\$120.00	BMO Chequing Account	
Coffee @ meeting		Opening Balance - Nov 20, 2023	\$4,711.01
Donation to Club	\$70.00	Credit	\$220.00
50/50 Draw		Debit	\$896.27
Sale of Club Equipment		Outstanding Cheques	\$100.00
Petty Cash Deposit	\$30.00	Closing Balance - Dec 31, 2023	\$4,034.74
		Petty Cash	
Total Revenue	\$220.00	Opening Balance - Nov 20, 2023	\$42.50
		Deposits	
Expenses		Expenses/Debit	\$30.00
Bank Fees	\$6.50	Closing Balance - Dec 31, 2023	\$12.50
Incorporation Annual Fees		Net Revenue	\$4,047.24
RAC Insurance & Membership	\$679.85	Nov to Dec - Account Activity	-\$676.27
QARC Domain Fees		Inventory Assets	
Zoom Annual Fees		Opening Balance	1029.16
PO Box Annual Fees		New Aquisition	
Office Expenses	\$109.92	Disposed Assets	
Donation to CNIB	\$100.00	Depreciation	
		Total Assets Current Worth	\$1,029.16
Total Expenses	\$896.27	Total Equity	\$5,076.40
Net Revenue	-\$676.27		

Club Membership

Paid up members - Individual	49	
Family	5	correction add one family
Life Members - Individual	9	
Family	1	
TOTAL active MEMBERS	70	

Treasurer report
Prepared by
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