# Minutes of QARC Meeting September, 17, 1997

## **Executives Present:**

Dave Ward President Vice Present Secretary

VE3BIP Dave Ackerman VE3UGT VE3VMP Mike Papper

Past President Tim Pekkonen VE3UO

#### **Guests:**

Peter, VA3PKH Margaret, VE3ZPB

## Special Guest Speakers:

Don Demeza, VE3AZV Doug Last, VE3NBL Arnold Bell

### Refreshments:

Bill, VE3NFP

The meeting was opened by our President Dave, VE3BIP promptly at 7:30 PM. Dave, VE3BIP introduced our guest speakers who were members from the local Bay of Quinte Aero Modelers Club. Don VE3AZV gave a very interesting and entertaining talk about their club and hobby of radio controlled model airplanes. The club started in this area in 1932. There are about 100 members in the Belleville area. spactacular models were on display. One of models was called the "Harvard" owned by Arnold Bell, who has been in the hobby since 1938! These models are completely radio controlled from take-off to landing and almost mirror the operation of commercial airplanes. Arnold gave a demonstration of all the moving parts of his Championship aircraft. There are 15 instructors in the local club and meet every Saturday morning, during the summer months, at the Mountainview air field in Prince Edward County. One of the highlights of the club activities is the annual "Fan-jet Rally", held here every year, in June. Don concluded his presenation with a spactacular video demonstating the quality and capability of these model planes. Thanks to all our guests for a very enjoyable presenation.

After the presenation Bill, VE3NFP, provided his usual enjoyable "coffee and cookies", on the club being the first meeting of the year. As usual, many QSOs took place talking about, I'm sure, of the various activites and goings on over the summer months.

The 50-50 draw was won by Norm Moore, VE3NFD, one of our Past Presidents.

Three door prizes were donated via Syd Horne, VE3EGO, from Norm Henderson's estate.

- 1. An ICOM HF mobile antenna, won by Tim, VE3UO,
- 2. A Butternut HF vertical, 160-10 meters, won by Jeff, VE3JTR,
- 3. A 2M mobile ant., won by Larry, VE3WLS.

There was no Old Business.

There was no New Business.

The following announcements were made:

- 1. Our new repeater should be operational by the end of this month.
- 2. Our Club course starts October 3rd, running every Tuesday and Thurday for two hours ending November 25th. The exam will follow on November 27th. Instructors are still required, so if you would like to try your hand in teaching, here is your opportunity. Contact **Dave, VE3UGT** if you would like to help.
- 3. Ron VE3IVC announced that the Club will again participate in the annual Holloween "Pumpkin Watch" on October 31st. TWO Meter volunteers are required to patrol city streets for about 2 hours.
- 4. Again reported by Ron, VE3IVC is our well kept secret of the Thurday Nite NET on VE3HMZ, 146.835 (-600), at 9:00 pm courtesy of Jerry, VE3APF, until our new repeater is operational.
- 5. For all of our HF Dxer's, **Syd Horne, VE3EGO**, announced that **Sunspot Cycle 23** has started and is on the rise. The bands are staring to open up for long distance communications.
- 6. Tim, VE3UO, reports that our Internet address has changed to: www.iks.net/~qarc/

The meeting was adjourned by Syd, VE3EGO at 9:00pm.

Secretary,

Mike, VE3VMP