

Newsletter of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club, Inc. 546 Montrose Road, Belleville, Ontario K8R 1B3 Web: www.qarc.on.ca quinte.arc@qmail.com

### **NOTICE OF MEETING:**

DATE / TIME: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 @ 6:30 PM

LOCATION: Loyalist College (Pioneer Building), North Parking Lot

284B Wallbridge-Loyalist Rd, Belleville

**PROGRAM:** Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual 'Trunk Sale' - More Details Next Page

<b>VE3QAR -</b> 146.985 MHz (118.8 Hz)	<b>VE3QAR -</b> 444.475 Mhz - Yaesu System FUSION (118.8 Hz) Node ID: 30589 Room ID: 40589
Monthly Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 PM Loyalist College (Pioneer Bldg) Room P13, Belleville	Hams 'n Eggs: Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville
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### **QARC DIRECTORS 2017-18**

#### **Directors** - **Elected**

President Vice President	Tim Pekkonen Dave Ackerman	VE3UO VE3UGT	tim.ve3uo@gmail.com ve3ugt@rac.ca
Secretary	Bob Moore	VE3QWB	ve3qwb@rac.ca
Treasurer	Allan Twamley	VE3XQV	atwamley@oxpoint.ca
Director at Large	Mike Drake	VA3BKQ	va3bkq@rac.ca
Past President	Mike Papper	VE3OX	ve3vmp@rac.ca

<u>Directors</u> - <u>Appointed</u>

Webmaster www.qarc.on.ca Chris Wiesner VA3SM va3sm@yahoo.ca

Refreshments Hans Winsen **VE3OR** 

Radio Communications Peter Hodgson VE3UR ve3ur@rac.ca

## Quinte & Tri-County Clubs to Merge

Both Clubs voted to merge at their May meetings, so as of July 31, 2018 the Tri-County Amateur Radio Club will dissolve. QARC will gain five new members - Barry Baggs VA3BB, John Sanders VA3NW, Gary Raine VE3ENF, Glen Goslin VE3LIZ & Robert Costello VE3RIR. We also gain one new Honourary Life Member, Brian Redden VE3HQR, an Honourary member of TCARC. (Note that TCARC members Pete VA3PGB, Mike VE3OX, Tim VE3UO, and Peter VE3UR are also QARC members.)

QARC will own the **VE3KFR** repeaters 145.33 & 442.90, both with 162.2 Hz tone access, which will remain in Campbellford under the stewardship of Brian VE3HQR. The TriCounty bank account will be closed on July 31, and the funds transferred to QARC with the provision that these funds are to be used for repeater upgrades & improvements.

## This Month's Meeting - Trunk Sale

On Wednesday **June 20** We will be holding our **3**<sup>rd</sup> **Annual Trunk Sale** in the parking lot directly north of the Pioneer Building at Loyalist College. So bring your best "junque" along to swap or sell. The only rule to follow is that if your item(s) do not sell is that you MUST take them back home with you. Please do not leave anything behind. We will be starting one <u>half hour earlier</u>, at **6:30 PM**.

The plan is to have this event instead of a meeting in room P13, but in the case of a prediction of inclement weather this event will not be held and we will revert to a regular meeting in room P13. THE SALE WILL NOT BE MOVED INDOORS.

Also, please note that we will make time at 7:00 PM for a <u>short</u> Field Day update meeting. As this date is three days before Field Day weekend most plans should already be settled, but time will be allocated should there be any last minute details to be worked out.

**ARRL Field Day - June 23 & 24** will be held at the Prince Edward Auto Club in Ameliasburgh, civic address 800 Whitney Rd, Ameliasburgh. Set up will start Saturday morning and the actual Field Day operating period is from 2PM Saturday (1800z) until 2 PM Sunday. We plan to follow a similar format from past years at this location.

### **DUES 2018-19**

This is a reminder as we approach the start of a new fiscal year starting July 1 that dues are payable for 2018-19. Dues are \$20 for RAC members; \$30 for non-RAC members; and \$15 for students and SWL's. A reminder that other licensed Amateurs in the same household are \$0 (yes, zero!).

If you have been a member for 20 <u>consecutive</u> years, you can purchase Life Membership by paying 2 years of current annual dues; or if you have been a member less than 20 years you can pay 15 years of current dues to become a Life Member.

### MINUTES OF QARC MEETING - 16 MAY 2018

**Directors attending:** President - Tim Pekkonen VE3UO, Vice President - Dave Ackerman VE3UGT, Secretary - Bob Moore VE3QWB, Treasurer - Allan Twamley VE3XQV, Past President - Mike Papper VE3OX, Radio Comms - Peter Hodgson VE3UR, Refreshments - Hans Winzen VE3OR, Webmaster - Chris Wiesner VA3SM. Total members & guests attending: 26

President Tim opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

He then mentioned **Silent Key** Robert Kearns **VE3KEA** (April 11, 2018) a member of Peterborough ARC who came down to our County Foxhunts, but missed the one last month.

Tim welcomed visiters Jim Collins **VE3LIC** from the Barrie club, and his daughter Jenn, also Mikael **VE8MT** from Yellowknife, NWT. He was also at the PERC meeting last week and the Smiths Falls Hamfest on the weekend.

Tim asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the April 2018 meeting, as published in QRM Newsletter. Motion by Jeff VE3OWT, seconded by Chris VA3SM. Carried

**Secretary:** any correspondence? - Secretary Bob VE3QWB reports no correspondence.

**Treasurer**- Any update since newsletter? - Treasurer Allan VE3XQV reports several membership renewals tonight. The only expense was for mugs, for last month's speaker Phil VE3ACK & his brother Eric VA3EG, for hosting him overnight.

The Advanced Radio Course students decided to delay the course until fall and maybe restructure classes to once a week instead of twice a week.

Tim read a motion regarding the merging of the TriCounty Radio Club with QARC, presented in QRM Newsletters. TriCounty will vote on the motion next Wednesday May 23at their meeting. Current TriCounty Membership is 9 members + 1 Life Member. 5 of these are already QARC members, so we will gain 4 members + 1 Life Member. Brian VE3HQR reports the VE3KFR (UHF)repeater might be moved to his house. Motion by: Matt VE3FL Seconded by: Peter VE3UR Carried. TriCounty will be voting next week, if both clubs approve the motion, TriCounty will be dissolved as of July 31, 2018.

Tim reminded us of the upcoming CANWARN Training, Belleville Library, 3rd floor, Saturday May 26, 9:30 AM til about noon. If you want to take the course, contact Geoff Coulson geoff.coulson@canada.ca ASAP

OurJune 20 Meeting will be our Annual Trunk Sale in the parking lot at 6:30. Be sure to park away from the bus route. There will be no formal meeting, except for a short last minute Field Day meeting at7:00 PM(if required) outside. We will be set up at the same place as last year, with PERC, at the Prince Edward County Auto Club. Everything is pretty much taken care of. We will run 2A, unless Lee VA3LHM can make it, then we will be 3A, he isn't sure he can attend yet.

Peter VA3PGB told us that Will VA3JWO took the advanced test and passed. Congratulations Will.

Matthew VE3FL informed us the PERC annual summer picnic will be on Sat. Aug. 11, in Cherry Valley. QARC members are also invited to attend. Contact Matt if you will be attending.

Tim then turned the meeting over to Past President Mike VE3OX, as it is our tradition to have the past president run the nomination committee & election.

Mike announced that the current executive all said they would let their names stand for re-election, then went through the offices, asking three times for each position, if there were any other nominations. There were none, so all directors are re-elected by acclamation, except the position of Past President, as it is an honourary postion.

Director - **President** - Tim Pekkonen **VE3UO** With no further nominations, Mike asked nominations for this Director be closed. Closed by EricVA3EG

Director - Vice President - Dave Ackerman VE3UGT With no further nominations, Mike asked nominations for this Director be closed. Closed by Matthew VE3FL

Director - **Secretary** - Bob Moore **VE3QWB** With no further nominations, Mike asked nominations for this Director be closed. Closed by Allan VE3XQV

Director - **Treasurer** - Allan Twamley **VE3XQV** With no further nominations, Mike asked nominations for this Director be closed. Closed by Chris VA3SM

**Director at Large** - Mike Drake **VA3BKQ** With no further nominations, Mike asked nominations for this Director be closed. Closed by Dave VE3UGT

**Director at Large** - Pete Blakely **VA3PGB** With no further nominations, Mike asked nominations for this Director be closed. Closed by Matthew VE3FL Mike declared nominations closed.

Before turning the meeting back over to Tim, Mike informed us that the ARRL newsletter includes this item: WX4NHC, the Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami, will be on the air for the annual station test on Saturday, May 26, 1300 until 2100 UTC. This will be the station's 38th year of public service at the NHC. The purpose of the annual event is to test Amateur Radio station equipment, antennas, and computers in advance of the Atlantic Hurricane season — June 1 through November 30. They will be making brief contacts on many frequencies and modes, exchanging signal reports and basic weather data exchange (sunny, rain, etc.) with any station in any location." WX4NHC will be on the air on HF, VHF, UHF, 2- and 30-meter APRS andWinLink subject must contain "/WL2K". Full details at

http://www.arrl.org/news/national-hurricane-center-s-wx4nhc-will-be-on-the-air-for-annual-station-test

Tim thanked Mike for heading up the nomination committee and for running the elections.

#### **New Business & Announcements** from members present:

Tim reports Loyalist College has fixed problems and the Internet is now available for our Fusion repeater. Tim, Peter and Hans will be working on connecting in and get the software working.

Tim reminded us there will be no formal QARC meetings the third Wed in July and August, but there will be dinners. More info to follow. The July dinner will be at the Dugout, folks there will decide where the August dinner will be held.

Tim had driven by Queen Victoria school. Our 2M antenna survived the wind storms, it still has only a slight lean to it.

BREAK & 50/50 Draw (Proceeds to PERC) Thanks to Hans VE3OR for the drinks and snacks, greatly appreciated.

The 50/50 draw was won by Brian VE3HQR, he won \$19.50

Allan VE3XQV reported <u>two new members</u> joined QARC tonight, Will Olendy VA3JWO and George Whaley, SWL.

Matthew VE3FL thanked QARC for the money PERC has gained with the 50/50 draws, allowing them to work at connecting their repeater to the Internet. They are close to having the IRLP working.

Hans VE3OR asked if anyone else was building the bucket for the Ground Conductivity experiment, as he was having a problem. Nobody else is working on it.

Pete VA3PGB was at the Smiths Falls Hamfest, bought a spool of LITZ wire, if anyone wants some, contact him. Info: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Litz\_wire

**Next Meeting:** Trunk Sale Wednesday June 20 at 6:30 PM, parking lot on north side of the Pioneer building. If you don't sell what you bring, you take it home.

Meeting Adjourned. (Minutes taken by Secretary Bob Moore VE3QWB, ve3qwb@rac.ca)

### QARC DIRECTORS July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Director at Large Director at Large Past President	Tim Pekkonen Dave Ackerman Bob Moore Allan Twamley Mike Drake Pete Blakely	VE3UO VE3UGT VE3QWB VE3XQV VA3BKQ VA3PGB VE3OX	tim.ve3uo@gmail.com ve3ugt@rac.ca ve3qwb@rac.ca atwamley@oxpoint.ca va3bkq@rac.ca blackgunpowder@yahoo.ca
Past President	Mike Papper	VE3OX	mikepapper@gmail.com

### 2018 Hamfests & Fleamarkets

Saturday June 16 - SteelTown "Tailgate Treasures" Summer Swap Meet

http://www.hamiltonarc.ca/events/summer-swap/

Saturday July 14 - 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Ontario Hamfest at Milton Fairgrounds

https://www.barc.ca/ontario-hamfest

Saturday August 11 - Parry Sound ARC Hamfest, Nobel, ON

http://www.ve3rpl.com/

Saturday August 25 - 10<sup>th</sup> annual 'Junk in The Trunk' Sale, Newmarket, ON

https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event\_ID=1934

**Saturday September 8 -** Ottawa (Carp) 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hamfest

http://www.oarc.net/fleamarket

Saturday September 15 - VHARA Swap Meet 2018, Bobcaygeon, ON

http://www.vhara.ca/

Saturday October 13 Hamilton ARC Hamfest, Ancaster, ON

https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event\_ID=1907

Saturday October 20 - Montreal South Shore Hamfest, Longueuil, QC

http://www.ve2clm.ca/articles.php?lng=fr&pg=120

Saturday November 3 - 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual York Region Hamfest, Markham ON

https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event\_ID=1943

For more information on these events, see: <a href="http://rac.eton.ca/events/upcoming.php">http://rac.eton.ca/events/upcoming.php</a>

## Let's Go Foxhunting - 2018 Schedule

Thursday **July 5** 7:00 PM Belleville

Thursday August 2 7:00 PM Belleville

Sunday Sept 9 1:30 PM Belleville (Ride-along)

Sunday October 14 12:00 Bloomfield - 'Tour of The County'

Sunday November 4 1:30 PM Belleville

For more information please see <a href="https://www.ve3bip.org">www.ve3bip.org</a> .

## In the Summertime ......

In lieu of QARC meetings in July and August, there will be a dinner get-together for members and spouses on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. On **Wednesday July 18** we will be at the Dugout Grill, 514 Dundas St E (at Farley Ave) in Belleville at 6:00 PM. RSVP to Mike Papper VE3OX <u>mikepapper@gmail.com</u> or 613-969-1744. At the July dinner, the decision will be made by consensus where the August 15<sup>th</sup> Dinner will be held.

The Tri-County Group will be holding a barbeque for members and spouses on **Wednesday July 25** at the O'Hara Mill Conservation Area, 638 Mill Rd, Madoc ON at 6:00 PM. For more info, contact Pete Blakely VA3PGB <u>blackgunpowder@yahoo.ca</u>.

The Prince Edward Radio Club Summer Barbeque will be held on **Saturday August 11** at the home of their President, Joe (VA3JLF) & Gertrud (VA3GAX) LaFerla, 21 Fennell Cres, Cherry Valley, ON. They have extended an invitation to QARC members and spouses to attend as well. For more info, contact Matthew Dwight VE3FL <u>secretary@peradioclub.ca</u>.

# Treasurer's Report

	May 31, 18				Jul '17 - May 18
ASSETS	Ordina	ary Income/Expens	е		
Current Assets			Income		
Che quing/Savings				Contribution To Club	5.00
Chequing - BMO	4,524.94			Dues	1,315.00
Petty Cash	224.06			Other Income	115.71
Total Chequing/Savings	4,749.00			Radio Courses Income	141.00
Other Current Assets			Total Incon	ıe	1,576.71
Undeposited Funds	230.00	Gross Profit	:		1,576.71
Total Other Current Assets	230.00		Expense		
Total Current Assets	4,979.00			Bank Service Charges	25.00
TOTAL ASSETS	4,979.00			Donations	100.00
LIABILITIES & EQUITY				Field Day	231.42
Equity				Insurance Expense	620.58
Opening Balance Equity	4,896.89			Meals & Entertainment	19.18
Net Income	82.11			Miscellaneous Expense	9.04
Total Equity	4,979.00			Office Supplies	106.89
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	4,979.00			Radio Courses Expense	188.79
				Refreshments	185.80
				Repeater Expense	7.90
			Total Exper	ıse	1,494.60
Net Ordinary Income				82.11	
	Net In	come			82.11