

Quinte 'QRM'

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

DATE / TIME: Wednesday, September 18, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Loyalist College (Pioneer Building), Room P13
284B Wallbridge-Loyalist Rd, Belleville

PROGRAM: Linking VE3KFR VE3QAR VE3TJU 2 meter repeaters . It's time to look at what is required to accomplish this and the future upgrade & relocation of VE3QAR repeater.

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| VE3QAR Belleville: 146.985 MHz (118.8 Hz) | VE3QAR: 444.475 Mhz - Yaesu System FUSION (118.8 Hz) Node ID: 30589 Room ID: 40589 |
| VE3KFR Campbellford: 145.33 MHz (162.2 Hz) linked to 442.9 Mhz (162.2 Hz) | 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 2019 - 2020

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Appointed Positions:

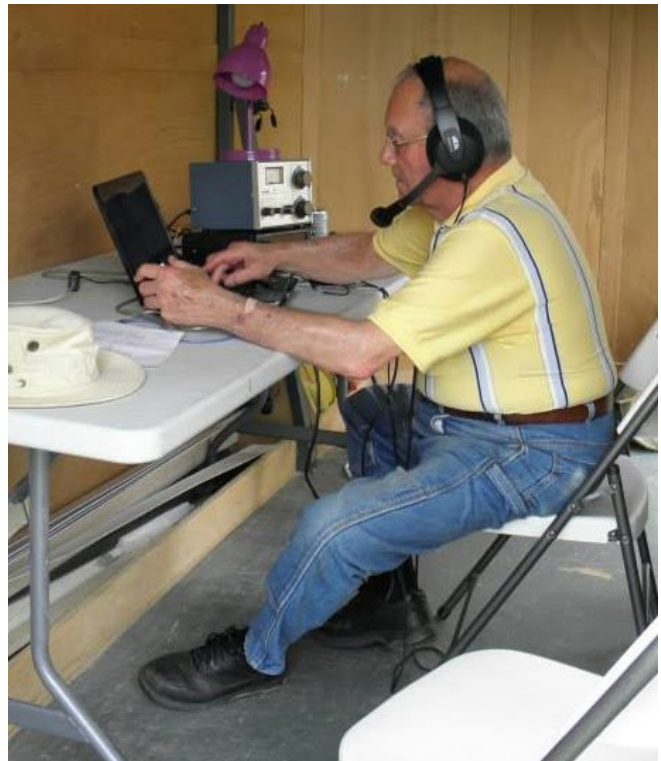
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Silent Key - Art Sinclair VE3SQG VA3TV

Art passed away on Field Day Sunday June 23rd. Before moving to Wellington, Art was an active member and Past-President of the Mississauga Amateur Radio Club. His working life was with White Electronics & Panasonic Canada.

Upon retirement, Art became an active member of both the Prince Edward and Quinte Clubs, and served as President of the Prince Edward Radio Club. Art was also active in the Wellington Rotary Club.

Art's Ainsworth Funeral Home obituary can be found at: <https://preview.tinyurl.com/ve3sqg>



Message from your Executive

Welcome back to the Quinte Amateur Radio Club 2019/20 year. Hard to believe this New Years will mark 20 years since we thought electronics were going to wipe out mankind. Hope everyone had a good summer. A few of us got together in July and August for our summer social. In July we looked after communications for the MS bike ride in Prince Edward County.

A few things on the agenda for the September meeting -

Tour of the County Fox Hunt was cancelled this last spring due to lack of interest. Does anyone have any suggestions for a different type of hunt that might draw more interest?

Field Day - There was a good turnout and everyone that attended seemed to enjoy themselves. Have noticed in the past few years the radios are on the air a little less. What can be done to promote some more interest?

Program for future meetings - Always nice to have a guest speaker or some type of program at the meeting. A short business meeting and then just some rag chewing isn't a bad thing sometimes. A time to better enjoy Han's coffee and snacks. If anyone has any suggestions please contact any of the Executive. Any projects you are working on. Doesn't need to be a formal presentation.

Field Day Results

Call Used: VE3RL GOTA Station Call: (NONE) ARRL/RAC Section: ONE Class: 3A

Participants: 20 Club/Group Name: Quinte Amateur Radio Club & Prince Edward Radio Club

Power Source(s): Generator, Battery Power Multiplier: 2X

Preliminary Total Score: 2,036

Bonus Points:

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| 100% emergency power | 300 |
| Public location | 100 |
| W1AW Field Day message uploaded | 100 - File [field day bulletin for Al.doc] previously uploaded |
| Site visit by invited elected official | 100 |
| Site visit by invited served agency | 100 |
| Entry submitted via web | 50 |
| Total bonus points | 750 |

Score Summary: (Cabrillo log/dupe sheet file: VE3RL FD 2019.log)

| | CW | Digital | Phone | Total | |
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| Total QSOs | 126 | 42 | 307 | | |
| Total Points | 252 | 84 | 307 | 643 | Claimed Score = (QSO points x power mult) = |
| | | | | | 1,286 |

Submitted by: Al Law, VE3FZ

Band/Mode QSO Breakdown:

| | CW | | Digital | | Phone | |
|------|------|--------|---------|--------|-------|--------|
| | QSOs | Pwr(W) | QSOs | Pwr(W) | QSOs | Pwr(W) |
| 160m | | | | | | |
| 80m | 15 | 100 | 38 | 100 | | |
| 40m | 57 | 100 | 24 | 100 | 46 | 100 |
| 20m | 50 | 100 | 16 | 100 | 208 | 100 |
| 15m | 4 | 100 | - | | 12 | 100 |
| 10m | - | | - | | 3 | 100 |
| 6m | - | | - | | 2 | 100 |

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Advanced License Course

As mentioned in previous communications, we are planning to try and run two courses a year if we get enough students, one in the Feb/Mar/Apr timeframe, and one in Oct/Nov timeframe.

There has been some verbal interest in an Advanced course for Oct/Nov, so **now** is the time to email me to register and make sure we have enough students! If you know someone who is not in the clubs that might be interested, please forward this information.

Please note the following:

The course will run every Tuesday and Thursday evening from **Tuesday Oct 8 to Thursday Nov 21**. That means that we are not "standing down" for the 2 PERC meetings. This means that students and instructors might miss the PERC meeting, but after extensive discussion with past students, instructors and others, we feel that the stand down interrupts the cadence of the course, and makes it longer.

Likewise, we will not be standing down for Halloween, that means this might conflict for people planning in Halloween patrols. Same logic as above.

Tim VE3UO has kindly booked the classroom in the Children's Safety Village in Belleville, and we have lined up a projector so the format will be lecture with presentation, visual aids and demo. We would love to have fully equipped electronic labs and do a lot of hands on, but we just don't have the resources.

The instructors have not been confirmed yet, I will be contacting the "usual suspects", but if there is anyone who has their advanced that would like to try out a session or two, that would be more than welcome (you can have some of mine if you want : -) If you don't have any classroom time, I or another instructor would be more than happy to "elmer" you on that.

So if interested in attending, please register now!

Thanks, Eric VA3EP pierce.eric@gmail.com

Update Sunday Sept 8: Eric VA3EP reports that there are seven people signed up for an Advanced Course, so it will be going ahead. But it's not too late to sign up if you are interested in getting your Advanced License. This means there will not be a Basic course running. We will look at one (depending on interest) next Spring. In the meantime contact Eric VA3EP at the email address above if you have any questions regarding future courses.

Cobourg Waterfront Festival - Fern Blodgett Sunde

The town of Cobourg is planning to put up a statue in October 2020 commemorating Fern Blodgett Sunde who grew up in Cobourg and was the first female wireless radio operator during World War II. The Cobourg Heritage Committee had a booth set up for fundraising and raising public awareness at the Cobourg waterfront festival on Canada Day weekend.

<http://www.waterfrontfestival.ca/> . The committee reached out to QARC and the Peterborough Amateur Radio club for volunteers interested in manning their booth for 2 to 3 hour shifts with Heritage committee staff interested in displaying antique vintage radios and/or a morse code display with simple keys and oscillators. Don Dulmage VE3LYX and Tim Pekkonen VE3UO answered the call and worked one shift on Saturday complete with Don's WW II receiver and a display of morse code oscillators and keys. (Thanks to Peter Hodgson VE3UR who loaned some keys and oscillators.) The 'dits and dahs' attracted the ears of the Radio Amateurs of Canada Southern Ontario Director, Phil McBride VA3QR, who just happened to be attending the Waterfront Festival with his family. Phil stopped in for an 'eyeball' QSO with Don & Tim.

More information about the project, and Fern Blodgett Sunde can be found at:
<https://cobourg.civicweb.net/document/155996/Fern%20Blodgett%20Sunde%20Presentation.pdf>

The committee reports that they accomplished their mission and raised \$1242 over the weekend and got some good PR about Fern Blodgett. It is hoped the statue will be complete by October 2020, which means one more display at next year's Cobourg Waterfront Festival ?

Note: A Biography of Fern Blodgett Sunde appears in this month's (Sept-Oct 2019) *The Canadian Amateur* magazine on pages 44 & 45.



Don Dulmage VE3LYX with his vintage WW II receiver.

Peterborough Club ham volunteers were Rick Andrews VA3ARD, Nina Buchanan VE3IRK, Ken Dixon VE3KP & Steven Cavanaugh VE3PTA.

QARC ham volunteers were Don Dulmage VE3LYX & Tim Pekkonen VE3UO.

The Chairperson of the Cobourg Museum Foundation is Leona Woods, and she can be reached at: leonaewoods@gmail.com

Membership Renewal Forms

A new membership form has been introduced that we would like new members and those renewing their memberships to use. Due to privacy issues, you may include your address VOLUNTARILY on the form but we are asking that you include your email address and phone number. This newsletter is sent via email to it's members, and we would like to send out a list of QARC members and include email addresses and phone numbers only. This list is sent to club members only and will not be posted to the club's website.

Also we are introducing the option of a two year renewal as some members have asked if this would be possible. There is no reduction of fees offered in the second year.

The membership form can be found on the club website at:

<https://www.qarc.on.ca/files/joinqarc.pdf> . Please print it out and bring it with you to a club meeting when you are renewing your membership, or mail it with a cheque to the club's mailing address.

2019 Hamfests & Fleamarket

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| Saturday September 14 - | Victoria Haliburton Amateur Radio Swap Meet, Bobcaygeon, ON https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2019 |
| Sunday September 15 - | London Amateur Radio Club 42 nd Annual Hamfest, Dorchester, ON https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2014 |
| Saturday September 28 - | Prescott Russell ARC 2 nd Annual Free Fleamarket, Rockland, ON https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2059 |
| Saturday October 19 - | Montreal South Shore Hamfest, Longueuil, QC http://www.ve2clm.ca/articles.php?lng=fr&pg=120 |
| Saturday October 5 - | Hamilton Amateur Radio Club Hamfest 2019 https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2050 |
| Saturday November 2 - | 43 rd Annual York Region Hamfest, Markham Fairgrounds, ON https://www.yrarc.org/yrarc-hamfest |

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

Halloween Safe Streets - Thursday October 31

Halloween this year falls on a Thursday evening, and as in previous years the Community Policing Safe Streets program will be running from about 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Volunteers are drawn from Belleville Community Policing, Belleville Police Auxiliary Officers, Loyalist College students in Policing programs, and of course QARC volunteers. More info at this month's QARC meeting. Contact Tim VE3UO tim.ve3uo@gmail.com if you would like to help this year. Past participants will be required to sign an Offence Declaration form, and new QARC volunteers will most likely be required to have a full background check done.

What we did during the Summer

As students return to school this month, one thing they are asked by their teachers is “what did you do during the summer break?” So that our new President doesn't have to ask this question at this month's meeting, the following is a listing of some of the activities some of us did this past summer - participated in ARRL Field Day, attended club dinners, attended the PERC picnic, provided communications for the MS Bike Tour in the County, demonstrated morse code in Cobourg, visited a hamfest or two, dragged some radio equipment to the top of a high hill and operated portable, operated in our back yards portable, and did some travelling out of province. This certainly isn't a complete list. And now we are returning to the normal routine as we bid summer good bye for another year.

QARC Financial

As of August 31, 2019.

| | <u>Aug 31, 2019</u> |
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| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Chequing/Savings | |
| Chequing - BMO | 5,706.79 |
| Petty Cash | 131.59 |
| Total Chequing/Savings | <u>5,838.38</u> |
| Other Current Assets | |
| Inventory Asset | 65.00 |
| Undeposited Funds | 150.00 |
| Total Other Current Assets | <u>215.00</u> |
| Total Current Assets | <u>6,053.38</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u>6,053.38</u> |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY | |
| Liabilities | |
| Current Liabilities | |
| Other Current Liabilities | |
| Prepaid Dues | |
| PPD 2019/2020 | -50.00 |
| PPD 2020/2021 | -20.00 |
| Total Prepaid Dues | <u>-70.00</u> |
| TCARC Merger Funds | 1,393.13 |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | <u>1,323.13</u> |
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| Equity | |
| Opening Balance Equity | 4,792.83 |
| Retained Earnings | 48.17 |
| Net Income | -110.75 |
| Total Equity | <u>4,730.25</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | <u>6,053.38</u> |