

# Quinte 'QRM'

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

**DATE / TIME:** Wednesday, November 20, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

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

**PROGRAM:** Lee McMurter VA3LHM & George Whaley VA3XMG will give a presentation on their VHF & UHF Dxing from one of the highest points in the area the lookout tower at Sagar Conservation area near Stirling.

<b>VE3QAR Belleville:</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
<b>VE3KFR Campbellford:</b> 145.33 MHz (162.2 Hz) linked to 442.9 Mhz (162.2 Hz)	<b>Hams 'n Eggs:</b> Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville
<b>Monthly Meetings:</b> 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 PM Loyalist College (Pioneer Bldg) Room P13, Belleville	<b>Tri-County Breakfast Meetings:</b> Saturdays @ 10:00 AM Riverview Restaurant, 6 Front St N, Campbellford
<b>Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC)</b> <a href="http://www.rac.ca">www.rac.ca</a> 720 Belfast Road, Suite 217, Ottawa, ON K1G 0Z5 E-mail: <a href="mailto:rachq@rac.ca">rachq@rac.ca</a> Phone: 613-244-4367 or 1-877-273-8304	Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada <b>Amateur Radio Service Centre</b> <a href="http://www.ic.gc.ca/callsign">www.ic.gc.ca/callsign</a> 2 Queen Street E, Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 1Y3 E-mail: <a href="mailto:ic.spectrumamateur-spectreamateur.ic@canada.ca">ic.spectrumamateur-spectreamateur.ic@canada.ca</a> Phone: 1-888-780-3333 Fax: 705-941-4607
QARC Members Group: <a href="https://qarc.groups.io/g/main">https://qarc.groups.io/g/main</a> - Post to the group: <a href="mailto:main@qarc.groups.io">main@qarc.groups.io</a>	

## QARC DIRECTORS 2019 - 2020

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## Christmas Dinner(s)

In lieu of our December meeting, our annual Christmas Gathering will be on **Thursday December 5** at 6:00 PM at the Red Rock Canyon, <http://redrockcanyon.ca> , 365 North Front St, Belleville. Please RSVP to Mike Papper VE3OX [mikepapper@gmail.com](mailto:mikepapper@gmail.com) 613-969-1744 so we can advise the restaurant of how many to expect.

The Prince Edward Radio Club Christmas Dinner will be on **Saturday December 7** at the Prince Edward Yacht Club, 30 Fairfield St in Picton. Meet & Greet @ 6:00 PM; Dinner at 7:00 PM. \$30 per person. RSVP to Matthew Dwight VE3FL, [secretary@peradioclub.ca](mailto:secretary@peradioclub.ca) .

## Silent Key - Ivan Graham

Ivan was Club President in 1972 (Our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year), Vice President 1992-93, and President in 1993-94. He was first licensed in the Maritimes (VE1OZ) before coming to Ontario and held callsigns VE3GTH and VA3IG. His first wife, Mildred (SK) was VE3GTI & VE1AQJ. Ivan subsequently moved to BC and held callsigns VE7GTT & VE7JG.

### Obituary:

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the death of Ivan Edwin Graham on Oct 19/ 2019, in his 90th year. He fought a determined fight against lung cancer but then blessedly passed from his sleep into God's arms. He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Margaret Ann Graham (Hepburn/Ferrie), and the late Mildred Elizabeth Graham (nee: Mieske). Father of Joanne Stevens (Craig) of Rocky Mount, North Carolina, and Step-Father of Kathy Doull (Mat) & Jim Ferrie (Jennifer). Dear brother of the late Violet, Mildred, Everett, Helen, Donald & Raymond Graham. Dear brother/uncle of Margaret Courneyea & William (Bill) Lloyd. Loved by his grandchildren: James, Michael & Eric Doull, Araya Dickson (Kane), Rylie, Avarie & Patrick Ferrie. Also by his precious nieces & nephews. Ivan serviced in the Canadian Navy for 20 years. He worked in the Cable TV industry from then until his retirement in 1993. He was also past president of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club. Funeral Service will be held at the BURKE FUNERAL HOME (613-968-6968) 150 Church St., Belleville Ont. on Saturday November 2nd, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Visitation commencing from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Reception to follow upstairs in the Terrance Lounge. Interment to take place at Matawatchan Community Cemetery following the reception. In lieu of flowers the family asks for donations to Holmberg House in Abbotsford, BC.

Donate Now: <https://www.abbotsfordhospice.org/donatenow> . Online condolences welcomed at [www.burkefuneral.ca](http://www.burkefuneral.ca)

## Radio Courses

The **Advanced Course** is humming along with the Examination scheduled to be held Thursday November 21. It's unknown how many will be writing as some of the course participants have work commitments that prevent them from attending some of the course nights. Full report in the next 'QRM' newsletter.

Our Course Coordinator **Eric Pierce VA3EP** is already laying the groundwork for a **BASIC Course** next year. He is hoping to kick it off on Tuesday February 18, run Tuesdays & Thursdays, except for March 17 & 19 (March Break) with the Exam on Thursday April 9. This is of course subject to demand, so if you know of someone interested in getting their **BASIC** license, contact Eric at [pierce.eric@gmail.com](mailto:pierce.eric@gmail.com) .

# MINUTES OF QARC MEETING 16 Oct 2019

President Dave VE3UGT called the meeting to order at: 7:02 PM

**Executive present:** Director President Dave Ackerman VE3UGT Past President Tim Pekkonen VE3UO Director Secretary Bob Moore VE3QWB Director Treasurer Allan Twamley VE3XQV Director (At Large) Pete Blakely VA3PGB. Members & Guests present: 27

**Welcome** to Visitors & Guests, including member Peter Lower VE3KWM from Toronto & associate member Cindy Fort who will give a presentation later this evening.

Dave reminded everyone that memberships expired as of July 1st. If you have not renewed please see Allan.

**Motion** to accept September minutes as published in Newsletter: MOTION BY: Mike VE3OX SECOND: Peter VE3KWM **CARRIED**

**Treasurer's Report:** As published in this month's 'QRM' MOTION to accept by Doug VE3ZDG SECOND Peter VE3UR **CARRIED**. An invoice was received from Hay-Net Networks for \$28.25 to register our domain qarc.on.ca for another year. A cheque will be sent.

A **thank you letter** was received from the **Cobourg Museum**. Tim & Don Dulmage went to Cobourg last summer to give a demo of Morse Code, along with the Peterborough club, at the museum's fund raiser to pay for a statue that will be placed next year in memory of **Fern Blodgett Sunde**, the first female wireless radio operator in Canada. There will be an unveiling of her statue in October 2020. Google her name, it is quite a story. In his report of the event, Tim said they were visited by Phil McBride VA3QR/VA3KPJ, the Radio Amateurs of Canada rep for Ontario South, who was at the waterfront festival, heard the code and checked it out.

The **Sandbox net** has been restarted. Every evening 6:30. On 3.733.

**Halloween safe streets** will be on again this Halloween in Belleville. If you can help with communications for this event or want more info, contact Tim VE3UO. It finishes at 8pm and there is pizza after.

Our **Christmas social** is on December 5th, the 1st Thursday, 6pm at The Red Rock Canyon. If you are attending, contact Mike VE3OX so he can tell the restaurant how many will be attending.

Mike informed us that on Saturday he was going to the Ontario Regiment Tank Museum in Oshawa. He will be leaving from Quinte Restaurant around 9am, anyone interested in going is welcome to tag along. **Doug VE3ZDG** mentioned the **PERC Christmas dinner** will be held at the Picton Yacht Club at 6:30pm on Saturday December 7th. Contact Doug if you plan on attending.

If anyone has any suggestions for a program for future meetings, contact any of the club directors. This morning we did not have a presentation, but tonight Cindy will (see below)

**Repeater link project update.** Dave talked to Mike Myers VA3MPM in Ottawa. They have a series of repeaters linked. All are digital only and use internet linking. Not the way I think we should go. Tim said the Queen Victoria school is slated to be closed within the next couple years, so we will have to move that repeater. There was a motion to form a repeater linking committee, made by Brian VE3HQR, second by Wil VA3JWO, carried. Anyone interested in being on this committee or has suggestions please contact President Dave VE3UGT.

**Radio Course Update:** The **Advanced** course has started. Last evening was the 3rd class. There are 11 students registered plus one who already has an advanced license but wants to sit in on some of the classes as a review.

Eric is planning on a **Basic course** to run mid February to April depending on interest. If you know of someone who is interested contact Eric Pierce VA3EP at [pierce.eric@gmail.com](mailto:pierce.eric@gmail.com)

**Break & 50/50 Draw** - Thanks **John VA3JO** for the drinks. There was no 50/50 draw, Matthew VE3FL was not at the meeting.

After the break, **Cindy Fort**, an Associate member of QARC, gave a presentation on her Morse keys and telegraph set and told us how ham radio has factored into her personal life. She has taken the keys to local schools, kids are very interested in them and her stories. She asked if anyone who knows Morse code would be interested in volunteering to join her at Susanna Moodie School for a demonstration. Mike VE3OX said he would. It was an interesting and informative presentation, thanks Cindy.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:40.**

**Next meeting** Wednesday November 20 @ 7:00 PM.

Minutes taken by Secretary Bob VE3QWB (@rac.ca)

## Halloween Safe Streets - Thursday October 31

This year's Halloween was a wet soggy affair and as a result there were less Trick-or-Treaters observed in the city. Brian VE3GI reports he and XYL Joan VA3JLS covered 34 km in the city and Peter VE3UR had a very impressive APRS tracking map by the time the evening was done. Thanks to this year's QARC volunteers - Hans VE3OR, Peter VE3UR, Brian VE3GI, Joan VA3JLS, Tim VE3UO, Mike VE3OX & Wayne VE3TQJ. See you next year !

## Campbellford Santa Claus Parade - November 30

Brian Redden VE3HQR [redde@redde.ca](mailto:redde@redde.ca) is looking for assistance in communications for the parade. Communications duties are essentially to keep track of where the parade floats on the route and advise officials if any gaps appear. Also to advise OPP auxiliary officers if an emergency vehicle is required to pass through the route. The parade is on **Saturday November 30** starting at **3:00 PM**. The VE3KFR repeaters 145.33 & 442.9 (162.2Hz tone) will be used for the event. More information can be found at: <http://campbellfordparade.ca/>

**Note:** there is a new parade route this year. The parade will form near Campbellford High School starting about 1:30 PM and stay on the east side of town.

## 2020 Hamfests & Fleamarkets

Saturday February 29 -	VE3CJ Memorial Spring Fleamarket, Burlington, ON <a href="https://www.barc.ca/spring-flea-market">https://www.barc.ca/spring-flea-market</a>
Saturday March 28 -	Ham-Ex 2020, Brampton Fairgrounds, ON <a href="http://www.ham-ex.ca/">http://www.ham-ex.ca/</a>
Saturday April 4 -	Iroquois Amateur Radio Club Fleamarket <a href="http://www.iroquoisarc.ca/">http://www.iroquoisarc.ca/</a>
Saturday April 11 -	Montreal Amateur Radio Club Fleamarket ( <i>to be confirmed</i> ) <a href="https://www.marc.ca/fest/fest.html">https://www.marc.ca/fest/fest.html</a>
Saturday April 25 -	Durham Region Hamfest, Pickering ON <a href="https://www.durhamhamfest.com/">https://www.durhamhamfest.com/</a>
Saturday May 9 -	36 <sup>th</sup> Annual Smiths Falls Fleamarket <a href="https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2066">https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2066</a>
May 15-16-17, 2020	Hamvention® 2020 - Greene County Fairgrounds, Xenia, OH <a href="http://hamvention.org/">http://hamvention.org/</a> ( <a href="http://www.greenecountyfairgrounds.com/hamvention">http://www.greenecountyfairgrounds.com/hamvention</a> )
Saturday October 17	Montreal South Shore Hamfest, Longueuil QC <a href="https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2068">https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2068</a>

## Presidential Comments

Last meeting of 2019. The 1920's are referred to as the roaring 20's. Will be interesting to see how these 20's go. Club activities this year were Saturday morning breakfasts, Pitter patter run, MS walk, Field day, MS bike ride, Summer social in July and August, Halloween Safe Streets and upcoming Christmas dinner December 5th.

Bob VE3QWB is putting together the membership list of RAC members and nonmembers for application for our insurance. We are currently at about 56% RAC members. They are our voice in defence of our right to bandwidth and laws governing the use and installation of equipment. Without their efforts we possibly could loose the right to use our mobile devices, put up towers and loose parts or all of some bands.

Bandwidth is becoming more valuable every year. Bryan Rawlings, VE3QN RAC special adviser is at the World Radiocommunication conference in Egypt. Bryan is there as a volunteer. RAC is paying some of his expenses but unlikely has everything covered. Without Our support it is very difficult for RAC to be an effective, both from a financial point and the fact that when they are lobbying on our behalf I am sure they are asked what percentage of hams do you represent.

Some who choose not to support RAC do so because they have an issue with the way things get done. Let's not forget they are a group of volunteers with only one paid employee. Better support from Canadian Amateurs would make their job much easier. Would be nice to have 100% membership by QARC in RAC. A RAC membership with on line TCA is \$48 plus HST.

Dave VE3UGT - President, QARC [ve3ugt@rac.ca](mailto:ve3ugt@rac.ca)

## Membership Renewal 2019-20

If you have not yet renewed your membership you can print out the renewal form at: <https://www.qarc.on.ca/files/joinqarc.pdf> . You can bring it with you this month's meeting, or mail it with a cheque to the club's mailing address.

Club dues are \$30 per year, and \$20 for RAC members.

# QARC Financial

As of October 31, 2019.

	<u>Oct 31, 19</u>		<u>Jul - Oct 19</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Chequing/Savings		Dues	380.00
Chequing - BMO	6,093.12		<u>380.00</u>
Petty Cash	<u>171.59</u>	Gross Profit	380.00
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>6,264.71</u>		
Other Current Assets		Annual Facilities Rent	162.72
Inventory Asset	<u>65.00</u>	Field Day	4.62
Total Other Current Assets	<u>65.00</u>	Meals & Entertainment	110.75
Total Current Assets	<u>6,329.71</u>	Misc Expense	28.25
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>6,329.71</b></u>	Office Supplies	<u>38.08</u>
		Total Expense	<u>344.42</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>		<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<u>35.58</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		<b>Net Income</b>	<u><b>35.58</b></u>
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
Prepaid Dues			
PPD 20/21	40.00		
PPD 21/22	<u>20.00</u>		
Total Prepaid Dues	<u>60.00</u>		
TCARC Merger Funds	<u>1,393.13</u>		
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>1,453.13</u>		
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,453.13</u>		
Total Liabilities	1,453.13		
<b>Equity</b>			
Opening Balance Equity	5,552.83		
Retained Earnings	-711.83		
Net Income	<u>35.58</u>		
Total Equity	<u>4,876.58</u>		
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><b>6,329.71</b></u>		