

Newsletter of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club, Inc. 546 Montrose Road, Belleville, Ontario K8R 1B3 Web: www.garc.on.ca E-mail: ve3qarblvl@gmail.com

NOTICE OF 'ZOOM' MEETING:

DATE / TIME: Wednesday March 17, 2021 at 7:30 PM

LOCATION: ZOOM 'Virtual' Meeting. An email will be sent out on the

day of the meeting with the appropriate log in

information.

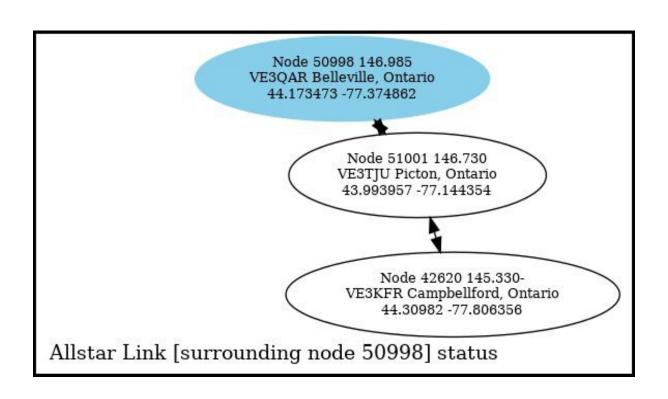
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VE3KFR Campbellford: 145.33 MHz/442.9 (162.2 Hz) Allstar Node 42620	Hams 'n Eggs: Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville		
Monthly Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 PM Loyalist College (Pioneer Bldg) Room P13, Belleville	Tri-County Breakfast Meetings: Saturdays @ 10:00 AM Riverview Restaurant, 6 Front St N, Campbellford		
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QARC Zoom Meeting Minutes - February 17, 2021

Dave VE3UGT waited until **7:35** to start the meeting, allowing for folks to log in. He started with a welcome everyone and thanks for attending.

Then he introduced Matthew Batten VE3ZQW who is promoting amateur radio among Belleville Sea Cadets including Duncan Culliton VA3FSY who recently received his federal Morse Code endorsement. Matthew also listed other Cadet units he has been in communications with regarding amateur radio saying the average age of cadets wishing to become amateur radio operators is 15. See the article in Quinte News or in last month's issue of QRM. Dave told Matthew we would be happy to help them get up and running.

The local basic Amateur course started yesterday and has 10 or 11 students.

During the QARC executive meeting couple weeks ago there was talk of maybe a **repeater** in the Madoc area. Peter Blakely VA3PGB will be looking into having one in the Eldorado Fire Hall and hook it into our system. Watch for more info in the future, it is just in the idea stage now. This was followed by conversations about repeaters around Bancroft and Haliburton.

There was also a question about **club dues**, since there are no club events due to Covid-19 restrictions so not many expenses. However, there will be expenses in the future, especially when we have to move the repeater & equipment out of Queen Victoria school on Pine street when it closes and re-locate it somewhere.

Field Day is still in question due to Covid-19 restrictions. So far it looks like it will be the same as last year with participants joining from their homes. This year another factor might be that the Field Day weekend is the start of school summer holidays, might cut back how many folks will get involved in Field Day. If we are able to hold a group effort for Field Day, a few locations are being looked at.

The **Tail Gate sale** event is also unknown due to the pandemic. Loyalist college has cancelled even outside events.

It was mentioned there are problems with links on the QARC website. Our webmaster Chris VA3SM will be contacted. (Editor's note: An email to Hay-Net Networks from Tim VE3UO seems to have resolved the issue.)

Dave went through all attendees to see if they had any news or input and there was some show-and-tell.

Dave's audio was getting very weak. He passed host duties to Matthew VE3FL to log out and come back, but when he logged out, the meeting abruptly ended at 8:45 pm.

At 8:55 pm the meeting was re-started with the attendees who logged back in. Dave continued going through attendees for input. The meeting ended soon afterwards.

Our next Zoom meeting will be on **Wed. March 17**, 7:30pm. An invitation will be sent out.

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

MEETING ATTENDEES: 20

Al VE3FZ	Bob VA3NGE	Bob VE3QWB	Brian VE3GI
Cameron VE3GVG	Christine VA3CSW	Dave VE3UGT	Earl VE3EPJ
Gerry VE3APF	Hans VE3OR	James VA3JXB	John VA3JO
Keith VA3KRV	Matthew VE3FL	Matthew VE3ZQW	Mike VA3BKQ
Peter VE3UR	Tim VE3UO	Tim VE3WGJ	Will VA3JWO

Notes from the Meeting - A few updates since last month's ZOOM meeting -

It's starting to look like ARRL will be using the same format as last year for **Field Day**, i.e. operate from home and use aggregate scoring. Also new power limits for class 'D' and 'E' stations of 150 watts max. See: http://www.arrl.org/field-day for full details.

Locally it appears that our **Prince Edward Car Club** location will most likely not be available for future Field Days. While that may not be much of an issue this year, we will probably be looking for a new location for 2022.

The Tweed repeater **VE3RNU 145.37** will be moving from it's current site sometime this Spring. The site has had an ownership change and the days of a free ride for repeaters are coming to an end. The Lanark ARES group which own the repeater will be giving the equipment to Will Olendy VA3JWO who is looking for a location to house the repeater. This situation is still very fluid, and more information will be passed along as it becomes available.

Daily Bay Bridge Net - Coming Up on One Year!

The Daily Bay Bridge Net at 10:00 AM will hold it's **365**th session on **Wednesday March 24**. Check-ins still appear to be steady and even though COVID vaccines are starting to ramp up, the net might be going for a little while yet. Thanks to Matthew Dwight VE3FL who started up the Net almost a year ago. The last week or so there has been a few technical issues with the AllStar linking, and Matthew has turned into the 'Maytag' repair man to keep the system operational.

QARC Financial As of February 28, 2021

	Jul '20 - Feb 21		28 Feb 21
Ordinary Income/Expense		ASSETS	
Income		Current Assets	
Contribution To Club	20	Chequing/Savings	
Dues	1,475	Chequing - BMO	5,629
Radio Courses Income	125	Petty Cash	46
Total Income	1,620	Total Chequing/Savings	5,675
Cost of Goods Sold		Accounts Receivable	
Cost of Goods Sold	129	Accounts Receivable	230
Total COGS	129	Total Accounts Receivable	230
Gross Profit	1,491	Other Current Assets	
Expense		Inventory Asset	548
Bank Service Charges	5	Over/Short	34
Donations	150	Undeposited Funds	410
Insurance Expense	573	Total Other Current Assets	992
Office Supplies	178	Total Current Assets	6,897
Total Expense	906	Fixed Assets	
Net Ordinary Income	585	Club Equipment	205
Net Income	585	Total Fixed Assets	205
		TOTAL ASSETS	7,102
		LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
		Liabilities	
		Current Liabilities	
		Other Current Liabilities	
		Prepaid Dues	
		PPD 21/22	20
		Total Prepaid Dues	20
		TCARC Merger Funds	1,393
		Total Other Current Liabilities	1,413
		Total Current Liabilities	1,413
		Total Liabilities	1,413
		Equity	
		Opening Balance Equity	5,553
		Retained Earnings	-450
		Net Income	586
		Total Equity	5,689
			7,102