

Quinte 'QRM'

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

DATE / TIME: Monday May 15, 2023 at **7:00 PM**

LOCATION: RCSCC Quinte Sea Cadet Building
16 South Front St, Belleville

PROGRAM: Election of the 2023-24 Executive
(July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024.)
Please read the important paragraph on page 6.

Note: The Meeting will be a Hybrid meeting available via ZOOM as well.

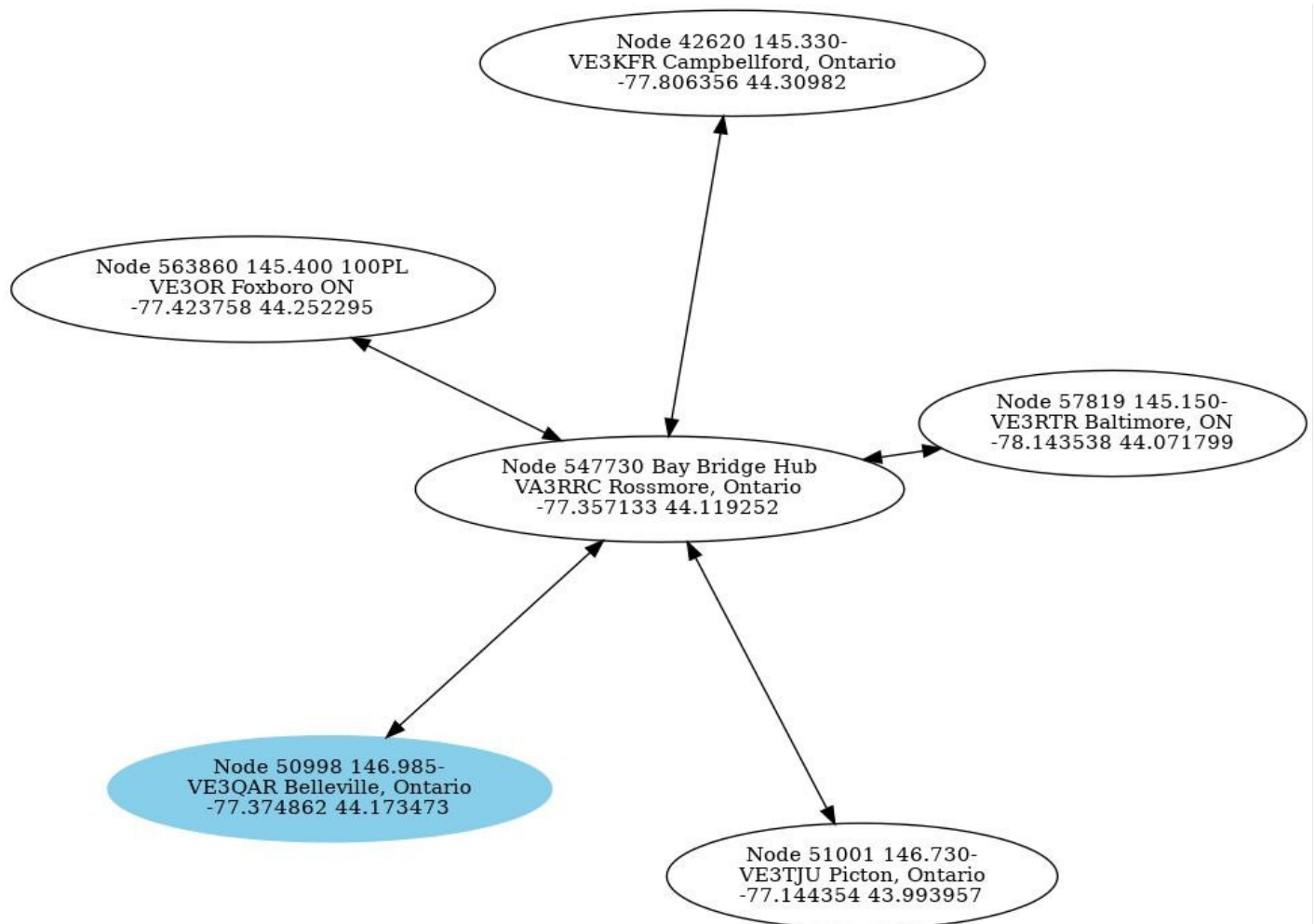
VE3QAR Belleville: 146.985 MHz (118.8 Hz) Allstar Node 50998	VE3QAR: 444.475 Mhz - Yaesu System FUSION (118.8 Hz) Node ID: 30589 Room ID: 40589
VE3KFR Campbellford: 145.33 MHz/442.9 (162.2 Hz) Allstar Node 42620 (Echolink 238523)	VE3RTR Cobourg (Rice Lake): 145.15 / 444.975 (162.2 Hz) Allstar Node 57819
Monthly Meetings: Third Monday @ 7:00 PM RCSCC Quinte Sea Cadet building, 16 S.Front St	Hams 'n Eggs: Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville
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QARC Members Group: https://qarc.groups.io/g/main - Post to the group: main@qarc.groups.io	

QARC DIRECTORS 2023 - 2024

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<http://stats.allstarlink.org/stats/547730/networkMap>

VA3RRC AllStar Node #547730

VA3RRC-L Echolink Node #747943

MINUTES OF QARC Meeting 17 April 2023

President Dave VE3OX opened the meeting at 7:08pm and welcomed those in the hall and on Zoom.

Silent Keys: Dave mentioned **Richard Shettell VE3KFN**. Rick was a long time member of the Trenton AR Club. He was a member of QARC for a few years after the CFB club folded. Nobody had info on any other SKs, so we had a moment of silence in honour of Richard.

Approval of the minutes from March meeting. **Motion** by Bob VE3QWB to accept minutes of the March meeting as printed in the recent newsletter.
Seconded by Gary VA3GPK. **Carried.**

Our treasurer Allan is not at the meeting so we have **no treasurer's report**.

Repeater updates:

VE3QAR. We are still looking for a new location. The Sea Cadet building is still an option, but a repeater

operating here might limit the use of the UHF band for the Cadets.

VE3RTR. Xplornet internet was installed last Wednesday. Hookup was completed on Saturday. **Brian VE3HQR** says it is working fine.

VE3KFR. Still has low power output. Brian VE3HQR has an amplifier at home but Will VA3JWO said there might be a problem. Work continues.

VE3TJU. The county will be selling the site, no details available yet, but the **Prince Edward Radio Club** might have to move the repeater.

Elections in May. Tim VE3UO, being the current Past President, is chair of the nominations committee for club elections next month. He said we will be looking for a new president and a new secretary, maybe other executives as well. Current President Dave VE3OX and Secretary Bob VE3QWB are stepping down but will mentor the new President and Secretary. Anyone who wants to help by volunteering themselves or nominate someone else to have their names stand in the election, contact Tim ve3uo@myrac.ca or any of the directors.

Field Day June 24 & 25 - Bob VA3ACE is working on permission to hold Field Day at CFB Mountain View, hopefully this year and next. Bob was on Zoom and informed us he was just told there is a unit that uses the base on weekends so thanks for the interest, but we cannot use it. Dave VE3OX will contact the car club. <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>
After the field day event, RAC will be holding it's Canada Day Contest. <https://www.rac.ca/>

Buffalo Aircraft event update - Dave VE3OX sent an email to the Air Museum in Trenton <http://airforcemuseum.ca/eng/> about setting up for the event and testing. Club members will be using the Buffalo aircraft's antenna on **Saturday July 22** and special event callsign VC3BUFF456.

Tomorrow, April 18, is **World Amateur Radio Day**. There should be lots of activities on HF bands. RAC is planning special event stations in all provinces and territories. There will also be a station VA3RHQ operating from RAC headquarters.

Gary VA3GPK volunteered to sell **50/50 tickets**. The winner of \$22 was **Dave VE3OX**. Congratulations Dave and thanks Gary. It's been a long time since we held one of these draws.

Dave then asked **Don Shears VE3UHO** to talk about the project he had for Show&Tell, a Dim Bulb Tester. He refurbishes old radios and built it to test them, including one that had no fuses in it. Thanks Don, that was interesting.

Then Dave asked **Matthew VE3ZQW** to give us an update on the Sea Cadets regarding amateur radio. Matthew started by thanking the club for helping with the Fern Blodgett Sunde statue rededication in Cobourg on April 2, 2023 <https://youtu.be/Dio2qcm-PrA> . Some of her family came from Norway for the event. Some cadets were on the air and made 32 contacts including Tennessee and Georgia. They have since received a Thank You from the town of Cobourg for participating. He went on to mention there are now eleven cadet amateur stations across Canada and there are 70 students in their current course which is about to end, they will be taking their tests soon. Training for all Canadian Sea Cadets is being revamped and Amateur Radio will become part of it. Thanks Matthew for bringing us up-to-date and supporting Amateur Radio.

Dave said that was the end of his agenda, did anyone have anything they wanted to bring up. Nobody did, so Dave closed the meeting at 8:24

Thanks John VA3JO for the refreshments and Leona, Dave VE3OX's XYL, for the baking.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 15 May 2023, 7 pm, Sea Cadets' hall and on Zoom. Dave will be sending out the Zoom invite. Remember we will be holding **club elections** for the 2023-24 fiscal year (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)

Minutes taken by QARC Secretary Bob VE3QWB ve3qwb@myrac.ca

Reminder - RAC Callsign alias Changes

If you are using a RAC alias callsign (i.e. callsign@rac.ca) this is a reminder that it will change to callsign@myrac.ca on May 15. Please make the appropriate changes - perhaps if you have listed your RAC address on QRZ.com or if you have contacts in your address book using the RAC alias.

Please refer to: <https://www.rac.ca/cybersecurity/#alias/> for more information.



CC115 Buffalo Ham Radio Event Update

Our special callsign **VC3BUFF456** has been applied for, approved, and paid for. The breakdown of the callsign as follows - **VC3** is a special Ontario prefix, **BUFF** denotes Buffalo aircraft and **456** is the last three digits of the Trenton Aircraft tail 115456.

We are awaiting warmer weather in order to visit our local aircraft in order to check the antenna and connect a coax cable so we can use our Amateur Radios to make some contacts and talk with three other Buffalo aircraft located in Summerside PE, Winnipeg and Comox BC.

This event will take place on **Saturday July 22.**

ARRL Field Day - June 24 & 25

Bob Culp VA3ACE had been in touch with CFB Mountainview to see if we could possibly operate there for Field Day. Although initial responses were encouraging, it finally came down to the fact that it is still an operating military base and for that reason we were turned down. So this year we will be back at the **Prince Edward Car Club** site in Ameliasburgh beside Roblin Lake. The 911 civic address is **800 Whitney Road** Ameliasburgh if you need directions to find the location.

Field Day is always held on the fourth full weekend in June and this year's date is June 24 & 25, 2023. More Info at: <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>

Elections

This month's meeting is traditionally the election of a new Executive to take office on July 1, 2023. Note I said “new” as is it time to see some new faces running the club's affairs. Our current President, Dave Ackerman VE3OX/VE3UGT has been President since July 1, 2019 and steered the club through the Pandemic, and would very much like to become the Past-President come July 1.

Bob Moore VE3QWB has been Secretary from 2006 to 2014, and again from July 1, 2016 until now. He has agreed to let his address to remain as the club's mailing address for now, so he will unofficially become our “Postmaster”. (Bob has served 15 of the past 17 years as Secretary!)

Allan Twamley VE3XQV has been Treasurer since July 1, 2017.

Please note the current Executive isn't going anywhere as far as the club is concerned. They just want to take a step back and enjoy the club activities as members. They will still be around to help and assist the new Executive as required. It is also time to look at some of the other appointed positions as listed on page 2 of the newsletter. If you have any interest in helping the club in any capacity please come to this month's meeting and speak up!

Give this matter some serious consideration and come to this month's meeting prepared to help and serve YOUR Amateur Radio Club.

73, Tim VE3UO - Nominations Chairperson ve3uo@myrac.ca

2023 Hamfests & Fleamarkets

Saturday May 13 -	Simcoe County (Spring) Hamfest - Barrie, ON http://scare-radio.com/Scare-Radio.com/Home.html https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2264
May 19, 20 & 21 -	Hamvention® 2023 - Greene County Fairgrounds, Xenia, Ohio http://hamvention.org/
Saturday May 27 -	NPARC Big Event - Niagara Peninsula ARC, Stevensville, ON https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2262
Saturday June 3 -	37 th Annual Smiths Falls Fleamarket, Smiths Falls, ON https://www.ve3rlr.ca/p/httpsgoo.html
<u>Sunday</u> June 4 -	Central Ontario Hamfest - Kitchener-Waterloo, ON https://www.hamfest.on.ca/
Saturday June 17 -	Steeltown Tailgate Treasures 2003, Grimsby, ON https://hamiltonarc.com/events/TAILGATE/index.html
Saturday July 8 -	Ontario Hamfest (Milton Ontario Fairgrounds) https://www.barc.ca/ontario-hamfest
<u>Sunday</u> August 20 -	London Amateur Radio Club Hamfest - Dorchester, ON https://www.larc.ca/PDF/Hamfest2023.pdf
Saturday September 9 -	Ottawa (Carp) Hamfest - Carp (ON) Fairgrounds https://oarc.net/2023-09-09-oarc-carp-hamfest/
Saturday September 16 -	Simcoe County (Fall) Hamfest - Barrie, ON https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2265
Saturday October 14 -	Kingston Amateur Radio Club Hamfest https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2283
Saturday October 21 -	Montreal South Shore Hamfest - Longueuil, QC https://www.ve2clm.ca/activites/hamfest

For more information on these and other hamfests/fleamarkets, see:

<https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/upcoming.php> & <https://www.ontars.com/>

QARC Financial

As of April 30, 2023.

	<u>Jul '22 - Apr 23</u>		<u>30 Apr 23</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense		ASSETS	
Income		Current Assets	
Contribution To Club	156.00	Chequing/Savings	
Dues	2,350.00	Chequing - BMO	4,341.41
Life Member Dues Discount	-270.00	Total Chequing/Savings	4,341.41
Other Discount	-30.00	Accounts Receivable	
Other Income	20.00	Accounts Receivable	370.00
RAC Insurance Discount	-300.00	Total Accounts Receivable	370.00
Total Income	<u>1,926.00</u>	Total Current Assets	<u>4,711.41</u>
Gross Profit	1,926.00	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>4,711.41</u>
Expense		LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Bad Debts	10.00	Equity	
Bank Expense		Opening Balance Equity	4,315.08
Bank Account Fees	212.50	Retained Earnings	-114.25
Bank Interac Fees	6.00	Net Income e	510.58
Total Bank Expense	<u>218.50</u>	Total Equity	<u>4,711.41</u>
Donations	128.00	TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>4,711.41</u>
Hospitality	97.81		
Insurance Expense	748.56		
Office Supplies	113.00		
Promotion & Advertising	99.55		
Total Expense	<u>1,415.42</u>		
Net Ordinary Income	<u>510.58</u>		
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Google Map Link showing our meeting location:

RCSCC Quinte Sea Cadet Building
16 South Front St, Belleville:

<https://goo.gl/maps/BGnS22FqPGae928L8> .