

Quinte 'QRM'

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

DATE / TIME: Wednesday, May 16, 2018 @ 7:00 PM

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

PROGRAM: Elections - TriCounty Merger Vote - Field Day Preparations
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VE3QAR - 146.985 MHz (118.8 Hz)	VE3QAR - 444.475 Mhz - Yaesu System FUSION (118.8 Hz)
Monthly Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 PM Loyalist College (Pioneer Bldg) 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	Tim Pekkonen	VE3UO	tim.ve3uo@gmail.com
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Director at Large	Mike Drake	VA3BKQ	va3bkq@rac.ca
Past President	Mike Papper	VE3OX	ve3vmp@rac.ca

Directors - Appointed

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Meeting Minutes: April 18, 2018

Directors Present: President Tim Pekkonen VE3UO, Vice President Dave Ackerman VE3UGT, Past President Mike Papper VE3OX, Director at Large Mike Drake VA3BKQ, Treasurer Allan Twamley VE3XQV, Secretary Bob Moore VE3QWB, Radio Comms Peter Hodgson VE3UR, Refreshments Hans Winzen VE3OR. Members and guests present: 23

Tim started the meeting by welcoming everyone, including our guest speaker Phil Gebhardt VE3ACK (and Eric's VA3EG brother).

MOTION to accept March 2018 minutes as published in QRM Newsletter. Motion by Allen VE3XQV, seconded by Matthew VE3FL. Carried.

Correspondence: Secretary reports receiving a QSL card from the States, fellow had talked to VE9BEL in New Brunswick, but mailed card to VE3BEL, the club's callsign. It was forwarded to the proper address.

Treasurer report: No updates since the report in the newsletter.

Announcements: Today is World Amateur Radio Day. <http://www.iaru.org/world-amateur-radio-day.html>

Community Policing PITTER PATTERN run is this Sunday. Contact Tim VE3UO if you can help with communications for this event. Offence Declaration Forms are required. 5K & 10k starts at 10:45 AM @ Loyalist College. (Note: Sunday conflicts with ONT QSO Party)

The Tour of The County Foxhunt is on Saturday May 5. Everything is organized.

The Mandarin walk for MS is on Sunday May 6. Contact Mike VE3OX if you can help with this event. Also let him know if you can help with the MS Bike Tour Sunday July 8.

Advanced Radio Course; The schedule was adjusted slightly due to inclement weather. Starts this coming Monday April 23 - Exam still scheduled for Monday June 11. Four students signed up as of now.

The TriCounty Radio Club Merger NOTICE OF MOTION was presented in the QRM Newsletter. TriCounty to vote on the motion next Wednesday Apr 25 at their meeting. QARC members will vote next month (May 16) If both clubs approve the motion, TriCounty is dissolved as of July 31, 2018 and merged with QARC.

May Meeting - Elections for 2018-19 and merger vote.

June Meeting - our Annual Trunk Sale in the Parking Lot, with a brief meeting with info about Field Day. If the weather is bad, we will be holding a regular meeting inside.

New Business & Announcements from members present: Eric VA3EG brought another box of magazines in, he wants the box back. Matthew VE3FL let us know, with thanks, that PERC has gained \$95 so far from the 50/50 draws, used to purchase a card to expand ports on their repeater.

Durham Radio closed their doors last Saturday, forever.

Tim said we should be putting a search group together to start looking for a new place to put the 2 metre repeater.

Wayne VE3TQJ donated a book "Transmitter Hunting" for anyone who wants it.

Anyone who is studying on their own, but would like to take the exam after the Advanced course, contact the examiner, Eric VA3EP.

50/50 Draw (Proceeds to PERC) \$ 16.00 won by Allan VE3XQV

We took a break, thanks to Hans VE3OR for the snacks and drinks.

After the break Phil Gebhardt VE3ACK gave a presentation on the Ground Conductivity Project, "Making contacts or just heating the ground." Thank you Phil, very educational and interesting. If anyone is interested in helping with this project, contact Phil Gebhardt at pdvgebhardt@gmail.com

Peter Blakely VA3PGB received an email from Ross Wood ross.wood@sympatico.ca regarding a call for 18 volunteers for the Lanark Highlands Forest Rally on Saturday May 5, 2018. This year the rally HQ will be Macdonald's Corners Agricultural Hall 194 Camerons Road, Macdonalds Corners, Ontario K0G 1M0 (Google Maps link) <https://goo.gl/maps/NnUrCm4HX1K2>

Friday, May 4th: We will need approximately 15-20 people to help with setup and recce. Setup will be late morning or early afternoon. We will need workers to help with the final setup for the rally during recce. The start time for this day will be confirmed ASAP. Rally Day - Saturday, May 5th: We will need the most help on this day! The worker meeting will be at 6:30 AM SHARP at rally HQ. This meeting is required to assign all of the workers' tasks and allow time to set everything up before the competitors enter the stages.

We need:- Amateur radio operators - Start and finish timing control marshals - Traffic control marshals - Crowd control marshals. We welcome everybody that is new to rally to learn about the sport and there is no better way to get close to the action than to volunteer!

To help newcomers, Motorsports Club of Ottawa produced two short videos about rally marshalling which can be viewed at these links: <http://vimeo.com/22478150> <http://vimeo.com/22479119>

There will be more information about this rally posted on the Lanark Highlands Forest Rally website at <http://lhfr.ca> For more information, questions or comments, send email to lhfrvolunteers@gmail.com

More Minutes

Tim reminded us of upcoming hamfests at Durham, Smiths Falls, Rochester and of course Dayton in May.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2018 7:00 PM - ELECTIONS !

Motion by Eric VA3EG to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:30.

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

Canwarn Training

Canwarn Training for our region has been scheduled as follows:

May 26 - **Belleville** - 9:30 AM - 3rd floor Conference Room, Belleville Public Library, 254 Pinnacle St., Belleville. Please RSVP by contacting Geoff Coulson, Warning Preparedness Meteorologist, Environment Canada at Geoff.Coulson@ec.gc.ca .

We've been Busy!

Tim VE3UO passes along thanks to those who helped out with the Pitter Patter Walk on Sunday April 22. The weather cooperated as well as it was the first nice day in quite a while. Thanks to Matthew VE3FL, Brian VA3BRW, Brian VE3GI, Bob VE3QWB, Dave VE3UGT & Peter VE3UR.

The Spring Tour of the County was held this past Saturday. None of the teams found all three foxes, but everyone found at least one. The team with the fewest km driven found two foxes and that was Dave VE3UGT & Mikael VE8MT (Yes VE8!).

Mike VE3OX passes along thanks to those who assisted with the Mandarin Walk for MS in Belleville. Those who assisted were Mike VE3OX, Dave VE3UGT, Brian VA3BRW, Peter VE3UR, Hans VE3OR, Bill VA3WOW, Glen VE3CJG, Sandra VE3HON, Matthew VE3FL, Bob VE3QWB & Tim VE3UO.

A reminder that that the MS Bike Tour in the County is coming up on Sunday July 8. If you can assist with communications, please contact Mike VE3OX at mikepapper@gmail.com . More Info at http://mssoc.convio.net/site/TR/BikeTour/OntarioDivision?pg=entry&fr_id=5986

Elections !

This is the most exciting month of our calendar year - "elections"! This is your opportunity to make a contribution to your Club. If it was not for our dedicated members who have contributed to our 71 years we would not be here today. Being a DIRECTOR gives you the opportunity to get more involved, learn more about your Club and help keep it strong and vibrant.

So if you would like to make a contribution and volunteer to be on our EXECUTIVE, please, let me know before our upcoming meeting on Wednesday May 16th.

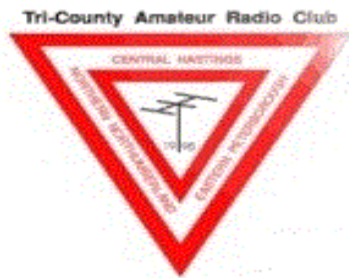
73 de Mike, Ve3ox mikepapper@gmail.com 613-969-1744
Elections Director & Past President

June Meeting - Trunk Sale

On Wednesday **June 20** We will be holding our **3rd Annual Trunk Sale** in the parking lot directly north of the Pioneer Building at Loyalist College. So bring your best "junk" 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 half hour earlier, 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 short 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.



Tri-County Amateur Radio Club - Quinte Amateur Radio Club Merger

The Tri-County Amateur Radio Club will dissolve at the end of their current fiscal year on July 31, 2018.

All members in good standing of the Tri-County Amateur Radio Club as of July 31, 2018 will become members of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club for the remainder of the 2018-19 fiscal year. (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019).

All Life Members of the Tri-County Amateur Radio Club in good standing as of July 31, 2018 will become Life Members of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club as of August 1, 2018.

VE3KFR VHF & UHF repeaters to remain on the air in their current configurations. All equipment owned by the Tri-County Amateur Radio club becomes the property of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club.

The Tri-County Amateur Radio Club Account balance of approximately \$1500 will be closed and the funds deposited into the Quinte Amateur Radio Club account with the express intent of these funds to be designated for VE3KFR & VE3QAR repeater maintenance and upgrades.

Occasional Social get togethers of Radio Amateurs in the Tri-County area are encouraged to continue, as are the Saturday morning breakfasts in Campbellford.

The above was presented as a NOTICE OF MOTION at last month's QARC meeting and will be voted on at this month's meeting. The MOTION will be voted on at this month's Tri-County ARC meeting on Wednesday May 23, 2018.

2018 Hamfests & Fleamarkets

- Saturday May 12 - 34th Annual Smiths Falls Fleamarket
<http://www.ve3rlr.ca>
- May 18-20, 2018 - Hamvention® 2018 @Greene County Fair & Exposition Center, Xenia, OH <http://hamvention.org/>
- Saturday May 19 - Thousand Islands Repeater Club Hamfest/Swapmeet at Depauville NY Fire Dept Banquet Hall, 15191 School Rd, Depauville NY <https://www.tirepeaterclub.com/>
- Saturday June 2 - Rochester NY Hamfest - <https://www.rochesterham.org/hamfest.htm>
- Sunday** June 3 - Central Ontario Hamfest - <http://www.hamfest.on.ca/>
- Saturday June 16 - SteelTown “Tailgate Treasures” Summer Swap Meet
<http://www.hamiltonarc.ca/events/summer-swap/>
- Saturday July 14 - 44th 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 - 10th annual 'Junk in The Trunk' Sale, Newmarket, ON
https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=1934
- Saturday September 8 - Ottawa (Carp) 22nd 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 - 42nd Annual York Region Hamfest, Markham ON
https://secure.eton.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=1943

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

Let's Go Foxhunting - 2018 Schedule

Thursday	June 7	7:00 PM	Belleville
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 www.ve3bip.org .

Thousand Islands Bridge Event

The Thousand Islands Bridge system consists of 5 spans and extends between Northern New York State, USA and Southeastern Ontario, Canada covering a distance of 8.5 miles in the heart of the Thousand Islands region of the St. Lawrence River. The American suspension span covers 4,500 ft and is 150 ft above the river from the mainland USA to Wellesley Island. The Canadian span covers 3,330 ft and includes a truss span from Hill island to Constance Island, a steel arch from Constance Island to Georgina Island and a suspension span from Georgina Island to mainland Canada and is 120 ft above the river. The International Rift Bridge at the international boundary is 2 parallel rigid frame arch spans between Wellesley Island and Hill Island.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held on April 30, 1937 and after only 16 months of construction and ten weeks ahead of schedule, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Prime Minister Mackenzie King officially opened the bridge on August 18, 1938.

The Thousand Islands Repeater Club (TIRC), operating under our club callsign **KC2TI**, is planning a special event station on **Saturday August 18th, 2018** in conjunction with the Thousand Islands Bridge 80th Anniversary celebrations to take place that day. We will be operating from 1400z - 1900z(10am-3pm) from the celebration site at the base of the American span. We anticipate operating on 14.250, 7.250 SSB and CW on request, with 2 meter simplex operation or possibly the 146.700- pl 151.4 repeater for local contacts. This is basically going to be a mini Field Day event for us and Shane Sanford at the bridge authority and the TIRC would love to invite our Canadian friends to set up a similar station at the base of the Canadian span for a true hands across the border special event. The event info will be listed before the event on our website www.tirepeaterclub.com and also in QST magazine.

We are in the process of designing a special event certificate for all verified contacts. The certificate will have an outside boundary of historical photos with an inside block resembling a QSL card with our callsign and the brief history appearing earlier in this article along with the contact info. The callsign could easily be changed on the certificate to whatever callsign is used for the special event on the Canadian side.

The Thousand Islands Repeater Club looks forward to working with you on this great special event. Please feel free to contact us with any further questions about the event at trgrant123@gmail.com .

Editor's note: This information was obtained from the Kingston ARC May newsletter. - ve3uo.

Treasurer's Report

	<u>Apr 30, 18</u>	Ordinary Income/Expense	<u>Jul '17 - Apr 18</u>
ASSETS			
Current Assets		Income	
Chequing/Savings			
Chequing - BMO	4,527.44	Contribution To Club	5.00
Petty Cash	224.06	Dues	1,085.00
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>4,751.50</u>	Other Income	115.71
		Radio Courses Income	<u>141.00</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>4,751.50</u>	Total Income	1,346.71
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>4,751.50</u></u>	Expense	
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Equity		Bank Service Charges	22.50
Opening Balance Equity	4,896.89	Donations	100.00
Net Income	<u>-145.39</u>	Field Day	231.42
Total Equity	<u>4,751.50</u>	Insurance Expense	620.58
		Meals & Entertainment	19.18
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>4,751.50</u></u>	Miscellaneous Expense	9.04
		Office Supplies	106.89
		Radio Courses Expense	188.79
		Refreshments	185.80
		Repeater Expense	<u>7.90</u>
		Total Expense	<u>1,492.10</u>
		Net Ordinary Income	<u>-145.39</u>
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