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HAMMOND AMATEUR RADIO MUSEUM REVISITED

by John Moffat, VE3NJ

Whether we wish to admit it or not, we all like to think back and remember how things used to be. Thanks to Gerry King, VE3GK, it happened in spades at the May meeting of the OVMRC. In his presentation, Gerry took us to the Hammond Museum of Amateur Radio. When I saw the first of Gerry's slides, I easily forgot about the conditions of the meeting room, which was hot and stuffy, and focused on the subject at hand. Gerry was in his usual good form and I sensed that it was going to be entertaining. And entertaining it was!

The first rig we were shown struck a cord. Personally I have never seen or touched one, but many times I have looked at the Collins advertisements from the early fifties and I recognized the KW-1. At \$3850 US in 1953, it would have represented my mother or father's salary for a whole year at that time! From there we were taken down row upon row of receivers, transmitters and accessories - equipment I could only dream about as a young amateur in the early sixties. Many of the familiar names were there, most of which are gone now: Collins, National, Hammarlund, E.F. Johnson, RCA and others too numerous to mention.

I used to peruse the ads in the back pages of the ARRL handbook and in QST and save my pennies. My mind went back to 1963 when I purchased my first really good receiver, the Drake 2B. A crystal controlled first oscillator gave it good stability. It had variable selectivity and passband

tuning (a modern feature for its day). It had a slide rule dial with string and tensioning springs. And it had tubes - 12 of them. Thermionic emission valves that glowed in the dark and gave the equipment a characteristic odour. When your hands got cold, you could place them on top of the rig and warm them up. After I was licensed in 1964, the 2B shared space on the table with a Heathkit DX-40 and a Johnson Viking VFO. I could relate to Gerry's enthusiasm for what he saw, touched, and heard at the museum. The next time I go to Guelph, I will do my best to arrange time to go to visit the museum.

Gerry digressed for a few minutes, giving some advice to new amateurs. The gist of that advice could have been interpreted as "throw those fancy dual-band hand-helds into the canal and join the ranks on HF". I would like to take exception to that advice. As a young amateur, I was drawn to HF and spent all my time (for many years) on 40 and 20 meters CW. I enjoyed it a lot, and still do, but it did not satisfy all my needs. What I lacked was contact with local amateurs. Today that need can be satisfied easily on VHF or UHF FM. I personally feel that it is OK to buy a VHF rig and have fun talking to your friends. None of you will have had any input into the design of that rig, but you can put some "value added" content into your station by building a juice can cavity to reduce the intermod, an antenna for your home station or mobile, a power supply for your

hand-held, or some other station accessory.

My advice is that you do not limit yourselves to just one aspect of the hobby. (This in fact may have been what Gerry was telling us!). One of the features of amateur radio is that "there is something in it for everyone". My suggestion is that you do not spend your complete budget (of time and money) on just one ham radio activity (such as VHF/UHF repeater FM, HF CW, etc). Try to expand your capabilities and your experiences - widen your horizons; you will increase your enjoyment of amateur radio immensely. In addition to VHF FM repeater work, try to increase your code speed on HF, try your hand at working some DX, connect up your computer to a modem and try some of the digital modes. There are lots of things to try. Recently, I met K6KLY, Russ Benston, who spends his time working from mountain top to mountain top on the 3 cm band (10 GHz.). I was as impressed as Russ was enthusiastic about it. Think about it!

See the NONAME VHF NET described elsewhere in this issue and how students are using 2 meters as a training medium for net controllers. Let's not relegate anything to the Canal while it still serves a useful purpose. There are surely enough modes in amateur radio for everyone's taste and to ensure they will never get bored. Editor



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NEXT MEETING OF THE OVMRC

18 JUNE, 1992

1930 hours

National Museum of
Science and
Technology

CALENDAR

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

FIELD DAY
27-28 JUNE

SUMMER
PICNIC
BBQ
(to be announced)

SOME AMATEUR RADIO NETS

POT HOLE NET - Sundays 1000 hrs. 3.760 MHz (includes Swap Net)

POT LID NET - Sundays 1100 hrs(except Jul & Aug) 3.620 MHz slow-speed CW.

CAPITAL CITY FM NET - Mondays 2000 hrs 146.94 MHz. Swap Net

THE WISE OWL NET - Fridays 2000 hrs. 147.30 MHz

NONAME NET - Wednesdays 1900 hrs - 147.30/90 MHz

OVMRC CODE PHONE - 24-hr code practice..

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Ramblings



Jerry Wells, VE3CDS

Here it is again the end of our 1992

Club year. A lot has taken place during the last several months. We were all a bit shook up when Jeff, VE3RCI decided to pull up stakes and head west late last fall just after the Club year got started. At that point I agreed to serve the remainder of Jeff's term. In retrospect, things have gone along quite well this past year in so far as Club activities are concerned. There have been several good programs for the members with entertaining and informative speakers. The annual Flea Market turned out very well in spite of a rather unexpected snow storm. The Club certainly benefitted financially from the Flea Market. This event is turning out to be the main source of funds for the Club along with membership and the radio course. From my point of view I would like to make the following comments about the past year and offer some suggestions to the members.

Radio clubs are a unique type of organization. To belong to a radio club and to enjoy all of the privileges of amateur radio one must demonstrate a willingness to study and learn the basic theory of radio. It is not enough to say yes I understand the basics of radio and the pertinent "regs," one is required to demonstrate that knowledge by passing an examination set by the Department of Communications. With the changes in the levels of licencing, there has been a tremendous increase in the number of new amateurs in Canada. We, in our

Club have seen a lot of new members as a result of the changes in the requirements. I sense a feeling of achievement and pride in our new amateurs whatever their level. I encourage them to continue their studies to acquire full privileges on all bands. Radio amateurs have a personal feeling of self-esteem and are very much individuals. The principal things that make the Club an attractive organization are the feelings of comradeship and the common interest in Amateur radio. I ask all of the Club members to think about what they do best. How can their skills be put to use to enhance the Club? Maybe you would like to try instructing some aspect of our radio course. How about writing a regular article for the *Rambler*. What about serving on a committee that interests you. The strength of the Club lies in its members. Give it some thought.

At our June meeting we will look at a new Executive. Some of the old faces will be back and there will be some new faces. I must say that I look forward to seeing some new members who will bring new ideas to the Club. Some of the current Executive will have served their term and will step aside to allow others a crack at the various tasks to be done. To those that are stepping down, I say, "Well Done!" To those coming up I say, "Welcome Aboard."

In particular, I would like to recognize the effort put forward by Chuck King, VE3PDK our editor of the *Rambler*. Chuck has taken the

Rambler to a level of which any organization could be proud. Well done Chuck. Our new Editor is no stranger to the Club as he has been handling the membership during the past year while Mike, VE3BGP, was on posting with the military. I refer to Neil Herber, VE3PUE. Lets make Neil's job easy with lots of articles. Incidentally, Neil volunteered for the job. Pat Brewer, VE3KJQ, has been a regular columnist in the *Rambler* for several years, along with his many other Club activities in training and as the Historian. Pat's *News and Views from Here and There* has provided us with a synopsis of amateur radio club activities from coast to coast. We have benefited from the nuggets that Pat gleaned out of these many newsletters. Pat is unable to continue this column and we look forward to a new writer for this column for the fall.

I will continue to work on the training committee, in particular the morse code and I must say again that this past year has been most enjoyable. Let us hope that the Club will continue to serve the needs of its members and maintain its present momentum.

My short term as president has been enjoyable and I thank the many members both old and new for their support.

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Secretary's Minutes

by Mike Beausoleil, VE3BGP



Minutes of the OVMRC meeting held on 23 April 1992.

1. Call to order. The meeting was called to order by the President, Jerry Wells, VE3CDS at 1945 hrs. Jerry welcomed all the members and visitors present.

Some of the guest present at the meeting were:

Mohammed; Richard Helner; Tito VE3FBH; Trevor; Peter VE3PWJ (OARC President) and; Mike VE3IPC. Jerry welcomed a special guests: Poppy VE7RD, CRRL President and; Merl VE6NW.

2. OVMRC Radio Course Report.

Doug, VE3ATY, reported on the recently completed amateur radio course. He reported that the course manual is entering its second phase. Doug and Chuck, VE3PDK are looking at student's comments about the manual in preparing a new edition. Doug personally thanked the course committee and others who gave so much time and effort to bring the course to a successful conclusion. Over 75 hours of lectures were given on the course. Here is a list of people who have graduated with their call sign: Margaret Armstrong VE3WIR, Alan Barnes VE3TYJ, Lorraine Boulay VE3VAT, Darren Bryk VE3YZA, Bob Calver VE3?, Pierre Cyr VE3ZPR, Ron Clement VE3UWR, Leon Constantineau VE3WLD, Bill Flowers VE3FWW, Christopher Grace VE3UIM, Jeff Hiltz VE3WWH, Marc Joly VE2KBX, Kevin Jones VE3RKJ, Robert Kenna VE2RGK, Steve Middleton VE3RUU, David Morphy VE3UKG, Pat Murphy VE3TZR, Gerry Stuurop VE3UIK, Jim Robinson VE3DEH, Roger Rose VE3XRR, Larry Wilcox VE3WEH.

Jerry Wells congratulated all the members who have pass the exams. He also gave a word of encouragement to the others that have not finish yet.

3. MOTION. At this time Doug took the opportunity to bring up the motion that was printed on the first page of the April 92 *Rambler*.

Moved by Doug, VE3ATY, seconded by Judy, VE3PAB, that an additional amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be approved for the purchase of a new PC 386-33MHz computer for the production of the manual *Amateur Radio For Beginners* and for subsequent use in producing the *Rambler*. (It was noted in the discussion that this amount was in addition to the sum of eight hundred and five dollars (\$805.00) approved in a motion in December, 1991 and held in abeyance pending the decision to upgrade or buy new.)

VOTE. The motion was passed. One thousand dollars plus the amount previously allocated was approved for the purchase of a newfor a 386 PC.

4. Announcements

- a. Paul Cooper announce that a special sailing sked will be establish with Tom, VE3KKO. He will be leaving Halifax for the Azores- UK- French Canal then back home For more details contact Paul.
- b. Next week, the Executive will meet and they need your input about the Repeater Controller, contact any member of the Executive.
- c. Bob, VE3YBC needs help with two upcoming events. Father's Day on 21 Jun when he will need 10 stations mobile or portable on 2 meters starting at 1230 hrs until 1800 hrs. A meal will be provided to the participants. The 1992 Cycle for the Kids on 13,14,15,16 August starts in Quebec City and runs to Toronto. He will need some mobile or portable stations to report

bicycle riders going through our area.

5. Field Day report:

Vic VE3BAJ announced that the field day for this year will be held on the 27 and 28 June at the Britannia Park, the back up place will be the Museum of Science and Technology, He proposes to have 3 HF stations: 1 Novice, 1 CW and 1 Phone. Vic will also have a Packet station present and he is trying to get a Satellite station.

Vic still required a lot of help, including:

- beam and tower;
- transportation of tents from CFB Ottawa to the site;
- coax cable and connectors;
- a volunteer to organize the food and;
- he will required people for set up and dismantling down of the equipment.

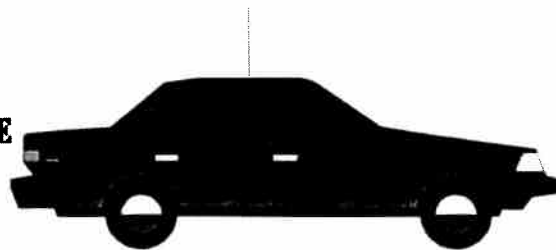
Vic contacted CANADA 125 to get a special Call Sign and a small grant to be use toward food. Time will tell. He also suggested that the graduate of this year course could installed the novice station if they are interested.

6. Guest speaker Gerry King

VE3GK: Gerry commented on the direction the Club might take in buying a new repeater controller card. He raised concerns about HF quickly slipping away toward VHF and becoming a 2 Meter hobby. Gerry narrated, with slides, his visit to the **Hammond Museum** in Guelp (Ontario). As usual, Gerry's nostalgic talk was filled with stories, some serious, but most humourous.

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NEWS AND VIEWS FROM HERE AND THERE



by Pat Brewer, VE3KJQ

It's June, which brings us to the final Rambler of the Club year and the final trip across Canada through the bulletins of amateur radio clubs. This month we travel east to west.

We start in Nova Scotia with the *Reflector* of the **Halifax Amateur Radio Club**. The club station was stolen last December, however some of the gear has been recovered thanks to an alert club member. He spotted some of the equipment in a local pawn shop window. Another club member had a handheld stolen last summer. It turned up at a coffee shop where someone asked a club member for help in using a newly acquired handheld. It was the stolen unit. A commercial ad in the bulletin advertises "see the face behind the voice". It's from a travel agency who will "help you plan your trip to visit ... Hams around the world".

Next we have the *TLARA Newsletter* of the **Thousand Islands Amateur Radio Association**. I don't know how large the club is, but there were 19 members at a recent meeting. It seems they meet at 7:30 pm on the first Monday of each month in Room #4 of the Thousand Islands Secondary School in Prescott.

Next stop is Ottawa and the **Ottawa ARC Groundwave**. The April meeting was homebrew night and a number of people showed up with a variety of projects. These ranged from Brian, VE3JKZ, and his three band receiver built from junk box parts to Marcus, VE3MDL, and his radio astronomy receiver. Clare Fowler, VE3NPC, who recently completed his DXCC by satellite, exhibited a 2m GASfet preamp. The *Groundwave* is now available on packet. It appears as GWXXX92.TXT, where XXX is the first three letters of the month.

Also from Ottawa we have the *TelePARC* of the **Pioneer ARC**. At our Club Flea Market in April, the Pioneers demonstrated live mobile video of that lovely snowstorm. The May PARC meeting was to be held at the Radio Canada International Monitoring Station near Carp. A reprint from the *W5YI Reports* says that there have been several large fines levied in the United States for illegal radio operations. There were two at \$10,000 and one at \$16,000. The largest fine was for a false distress call from a vessel on Lake Michigan.

A few hours north and west we have Sudbury and the *SARCommunicator* of the **Sudbury ARC**. Editor Chuck VE3SGK sends his thanks to our Club and the other clubs with whom he exchanges bulletins. He says, "there is lots of great reading material and many ideas are taken from these newsletters." The Sudbury bulletin now features a "YL News" column. The local YLs hold a net on 2m every Wednesday. The Canadian Ladies Amateur Radio Association (CLARA) holds its nets on Tuesdays at 1400Z on 7.070 MHz, 1700Z on 14.120 MHz, and 0030Z on 3.740 MHz.

The president of the **Scarborough ARC** of Toronto, Gordon VE3CNA, has an editorial in the April club bulletin lamenting the slow progress of the CRRL-CARF merger. "It may be that this is a matter of a few personalities, on both sides, who choose to be disputatious. ... If this is the case, then these individuals should be asked to stand aside for the benefit of the other 25,000 Canadian amateurs. ... Continued conflict is simply too wasteful, with absolutely no benefit to anyone." The club ham course had 25 graduates this year. Most of them are working toward their 12wpm

code. There were a total of 16 instructors involved.

On our way to south-western Ontario we come the **London ARC** bulletin. The club president Anthony VE3ZAV was "very pleased to see how everyone is totally satisfied with the way the club is organized and run, as indicated by the small number of people who stepped forward to run (for election)." Bulletin editor Eric VE3EPP has the "codeless" ham ticket, but has been bitten by the HF bug and is working on his code. He says, "My wife thinks that I've really slipped a(nother?) gear as I translate the writing on cereal boxes, newspapers, road signs, etc. to Morse."

Next we have the **Chatham-Kent ARC** and their bulletin *Clear Signals*. Editor Val VE3VAL was monitoring the local repeater one evening when she heard new ham, Devon VE3DJE, holding an informal net. He was looking for advice and logging stations from all over the region. Devon is a young teenager and was trying out his new handheld. Knowing that higher is better he went up on the house roof and conducted the two hour net from there. "Where there is a will, there is a way." The club is now running a Junior Net for those under the age of 18. It meets one night a week on 2 metres and encourages non-licensed persons to check in from a licensed amateur's station.

Our next stop is the **Border City Radio Club** of Windsor. An advantage of their location is the proximity of Dayton, Ohio and its massive ham radio convention. Much of the April bulletin is devoted to Dayton warmup. The

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OVMRC RADIO COURSE GRADS SPONSOR NONAME NET

by Larry Wilcox, VE3WEH

The last OVMRC Amateur Radio Course took its students a step beyond the license in encouraging them to get on the air and to further their own development in amateur radio. A group of graduates decided that net controlling was a good area in which to start. Steve, VE3RRU, Allan, VE3TYJ, and Jeff, VE3WWH decided that a 2-meter net on the Club repeater might be the way to go. They developed the net controlling protocol, and spent considerable time devising a name for the net. The name selected does not indicate a failure to come up with a suitable one. It was selected with intent as a generic net on which new and old amateurs alike could meet and profit by the experience.

A number of complaints had been heard about the Club repeater's under-utilization, so it was decided to use the NONAME Net as one way of encouraging Course Grads to use it and perhaps of attracting other users back to their own repeater.

The inaugural net was held on Wednesday night, 3 June, 1992 at 1900 hours with Jeff, VE3WWH as controller. It was not intended to go beyond an hour, but there was so much interest and enthusiasm, that it carried on for an hour and a half. There were seventeen check-ins

from this year's radio course. During the net, a call was put out for any member of the Club Executive who might be on the air. Ted, VE3KEH, the Club Secretary, checked in with congratulations and words of encouragement. Jerry, VE3CDS, our Club President called with words of encouragement and expressed his hope that the net would continue.

The net managers plans to conduct the net throughout the summer as long as they can encourage new controllers to come aboard. The plan is to line up as many volunteer controllers as possible so that they can be briefed beforehand. The potential controller can monitor the net for a week or two to become comfortable with the role.

So why not tune in next Wednesday on 147.30/.90 MHz at 1900 hrs local - this is what you will hear:

Good evening and welcome to the NONAME Net. This is VE3WEH. My name is Larry and I am your net controller for this evening's net.

The purpose of the net is to provide a friendly environment for OVMRC graduates, instructors, newly licensed amateurs and other amateurs to meet and express their views. The net provides a forum for news bulletins about the OVMRC Amateur Radio Course and Club activities. It serves as

a friendly training medium for new and inexperienced net controllers. We encourage everyone to become a net controller and we provide advice and on-the-job training.

During the first half hour, we welcome check-ins from this year's OVMRC Radio Course graduates, instructors and from new amateurs licensed over the past two years. During the final half hour, we welcome any amateurs who wish to join the group with or without traffic who might want to provide advice or just to ask or answer any questions.

Now I'll take a list of any check-ins from OVMRC grads, instructors and new hams. Come now please.

General instructions for Net Controllers have been developed and will be provided to volunteers. NONAME net managers will assume responsibility for training, providing advice and feed-back on performance. If a potential net controller is really timid, one of the coordinators will provide assistance and back-up during the net.

The Course instructors got us off to a good start, now it's up to us to take it the rest of the way. This is one way we have found of contributing to our own development in amateur radio.

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7. Report on CARF/CRRL Merger.

Jerry introduced Poppy, VE7RD, CARF President. He had some interesting statistics; about 33,000 Ham operators in Canada, there are about 600 repeaters in the country. Poppy was in town on business regarding the merger of the CRRL and CARF to form RAC (RADIO AMATEUR of CANADA) with the national office situated in Ottawa. The new organiza-

tion will be looking for volunteers next year to help set up the national office. Membership in both merging organizations will be carried through to the new one. Some of the topics being discussed with DOC are Privatization of Ham Radio; solely managing examination; handling all transactions. Some of the key problems will be: where is the funding for this to come from?

In Fall 1992 the two organizations will merge; in Jan 93 RAC will be official launched with equal representation

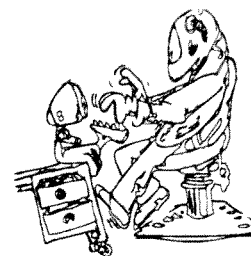
from the two previous organizations. It should take approximately 2 years before the national office is set up and fully operational in Ottawa.

8. Door prize. There were many maps (frequency spectrum maps) drawn.

9. Adjournment. In conclusion the President reminded everyone present that June is election month. Anyone interested, please come forward. The club needs you. The meeting was adjourned at 2100 hrs and was followed by coffee, goodies and ragchew.

Editor's Corner

Charles King, VE3PDK



Time sure flies when you're having fun! Trite, but true; especially so of the last three years as *Rambler* editor. This is the 36th issue since that July day when Bob Baillargeon, VE3MPG, passed on the "quill" so to speak. Bob had, in his tenure as Editor, brought *Rambler* from the age of the word processor to the era of desk-top publishing. He introduced display type, computer graphics and conventional layout to the paper. He set a standard that was a real challenge to meet. Frankly, I accepted the job with great trepidation and would have refused if not for the complete support of the Club -- promised and delivered.

Rambler has enjoyed a small degree of success and recognition through your contributions and support. Articles have been reprinted from *Rambler* in our national journal *The*

Canadian Amateur and in numerous club newsletters throughout Canada and by some clubs in the United States.

When the Club's Bylaws were rewritten a few years ago, it was stipulated that no member of the Executive should hold an office for more than two consecutive terms. There were very good reasons for this bylaw. The Executive must not be allowed to become a dynasty; it must not be allowed to stagnate; and every member must be afforded the opportunity of serving in an Executive capacity.

While it's been fun, the time has come to pass on the quill. In doing so, I am reminded of the "irreplaceable man." As he pulls his hand out of the pail of water, the hole that remains is a measure of how he will be missed.

Well, guess what folks! Standing in the wings is your new Editor -- Neil Herber, VE3PUE. You have all been exposed (or subjected to, or assailed by) Neil's dry wit in his articles in the *Rambler* on radio etiquette and membership. I have some knowledge of Neil's talent as an editor and his skills in desk-top publishing. Believe me when I tell you that the hole left in the pail of water will not only vanish, the pail will be filled to overflowing with the contributions and improvements that Neil will bring to *Rambler*.

The Club can rest easy, knowing that our newsletter is in Neil's capable hands. But he can't do it alone, so get your pens moving and supply him with material. Thank you for your support over the past three years and for the opportunity of being *OVMRC Rambler* Editor. 73

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It's president has been to 15! They were planning their Field Day effort early. Last year they scored 3rd in Canada. The top three all had about the same number of QSOs. Mike VE3TEK notes, "Since we were all operating on the same (kind of) power source for the same multiplier, and we qualified for most of the bonus points, the only other way they could have higher scores is the 2X multiplier for CW contacts." Something for our team to note!

Now we move on to Saskatchewan and the **Saskatoon ARC Feedline**. Editor Syl VE5YK recently received a publication award from the Amateur Radio News Service for the club bulletin. This bulletin also features a page geared to the wives of hams although the author includes

items such as recipes, tips, and puzzles that are of interest to anyone. Like some other clubs, the Saskatoon club holds Saturday morning coffee breaks.

Our final stop is once again *Key Klix* the bulletin of the **Calgary Amateur Radio Association**. A recent club meeting featured Doug VE6GSD and Dave VE6GRL of the Calgary Police Canine Division along with their four-legged partners. Plans for the Canada 125th certificate have been dropped due to a lack of corporate sponsorship. Club membership now stands at 430. The bulletin featured an article on the round-the-world cruise of the "Ocean Wanderer" and her crew Tony VE0MGZ and Arien VE0MGJ with their two children. They started out in June 1991 and the cruise is expected to take five years. At last

report they were in the Pacific on the way to New Zealand. They may be heard on 14.300 MHz at 0100Z or on the Pacific Maritime net on 14.313 MHz.

This is the final column that I will be able to prepare. Increased demands on my time at work and at home have made it impossible for me to continue. Regular readers will appreciate the value of reviewing bulletins from other clubs to glean what they have found to work and recommend its application in our own Club. I know there are several frustrated columnists out there just dying to get their hands on this column. So step up quickly at the next meeting and volunteer before you lose out. Many thanks for your support and comments over the past few years of my tenure. 73

FIELD DAY

27-28 June, 1992

Andy Hayden Park, Ottawa

Coordinator - Vic, VE3BSV - 726-9270

YOUR SERVICES NEEDED FOR

OPERATIONS

TRANSPORTATION

FOOD COORDINATOR

SET-UP EARLY SATURDAY MORNING

TAKE-DOWN SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Plan to attend with the family and bring a picnic lunch

While it's nice to have the space to give Field Day a full page, it would have been nicer to share it with your article about how you fixed that gizmo or homebrewed a bafflegabber to make your widget work better. Start scribbling down your ideas for articles for Neil, VE3PUE to print in the summer or September issue.

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Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club Inc.

Particulars	Budget 1991/92	Actual To-Date	Proposed Budget
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CLUB INCOME			
Memberships	2,700	3,243.00	3,000
Fleamarket Sales (Tables & Food)	800	1,322.66	1,200
Fleamarket Raffle	1,200	1,095.10	1,200
Bank Interest	250	257.77	250
Miscellaneous Income	150	0.00	0
Total Club Income	5,100	5,918.53	5,650
COURSE INCOME			
Course Registration Fees	3,000	3,280.00	3,000
Miscellaneous Course Income	100	0.00	100
Total Course Income	3,100	3,280.00	3,100

TOTAL INCOME	8,200	9,198.53	8,750
Club Equity Funds Available	3,049	3,049.00	11,609
Course Equity Funds Available	2,599	2,599.00	3,172

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	13,848	14,846.53	14,781
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CLUB EXPENSES			
Rambler Supplies	400	264.50	400
Rambler Postage	1,200	1,389.93	1,500
Code Telephone	200	394.44	400
Station Licenses	66	66.00	66
Repeater Maintenance	2,500	149.50	2,500
Committee Operating Fund	500	0.00	500
Rent for Meetings	200	32.10	0
Donations	50	35.00	50
Field Day Expenses	100	0.00	100
Membership (Awards etc.)	200	27.25	200
Nametags	150	319.24	200
Insurance	600	580.00	580
Office Supplies & Misc. Postage	200	60.56	100
Raffle Expense (Fleamarket)	500	4.00	500
Fleamarket Expense	400	1,216.27	500
Club Promotional Expense	200	0.00	200
Miscellaneous Expense	50	103.00	50
Bank Charges	15	31.11	15
Total Club Expense	7,531	4,672.90	7,861
COURSE EXPENSE			
Course Supplies & Publications	2,500	2,648.87	2,000
Other Course Expenses (Rent)	200	222.00	100
Instructor Honoraria	800	800.00	800
Total Course Expense	3,500	3,670.87	2,900

TOTAL EXPENSES	11,031	8,343.77	10,761
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CLUB - FUNDS AVAILABLE	618	4,294.63	3,748
COURSE - FUNDS AVAILABLE	2,199	72.00	272

Membership Musing

de VE3PUE Neil Herber

They keep on coming! There is no way to stop them! It's the Invasion of the Body Snatchers: Part II! Yes, it's true, we do have more new members. Welcome to the following (listed in the order they joined):

Doug Campbell (VE3DGC)
Karen Campbell (VE3TAV)
Russ Renaud (VE3UAV)
Tito Peralta (VE3MPA)
Guy Juneau
Peter Purdy (VE3NVP)
Ken Pennell (VE3KKN)

Be sure to seek these folks out and give them a warm welcome at future meetings. As if in answer to my question last month (where are all the women new members), Karen (VE3TAV) has graced us with her presence.

Don't forget, it's membership renewal time! Be sure to send in the slip you received in the Rambler with your payment. The information on the slip is what ends up in the database – please make sure it's correct! Between 92.04.23 and 92.06.05, the following good folks renewed their memberships (listed in order of payment):

Judy Taetz (VE3PAB)
Fred Taetz (VE3PAA)
Peter Hafichuk (VE3LBW)
Lorraine Boulay (VE3VAT)
Bob Campbell (VE3KLN)
Allan Ablett (VE3SUP)
Jerry Osborne (VE3JCV)
Norm Hull (VE3JDJ)
Ed Puccini (VE3EFP)
Phil Goodier (VE3BYB)
Martin Potter (VE3OAT)
Stu Glen (VE3MHX)
Sigi Bernhoff (VE3JDA)
Len Covatta (VE3LAG)
Al Boyce (VE3LNH)
Dan Kelley (VE3ENV)
Brian Seed (VE3MJD)
Clint MacNeil (VE3CMN)

Alan Hiles (VE3EEC)
William Carr
Dan Holmes (VE3EBI)
Gord Ford
Mike Graham (VE3KMG)
Bill Wilson (VE3NR)
Pat Brewer (VE3KJQ)
Emil Nilson (VE3CQD)
Dick Bruce (VE3GWA)
Gerry Stuurup (VE3UIK)
Dent Harrison
Jack Flower (VE3NVI)
Mike Miskell (VE3HRT)
Ron North (VE3HDO)
Sharon Lee Bechthold (VE3PLT)
Wilf Graham (VE3RWG)
Jean Pierre Gendron (VE3PXZ)
Craig Delmage (VE3KKU)
Roxanne Delmage (VE3VON)
Gerry King (VE3GK)
Sharon Liff (VE3TDW)
Bill Flowers (VE3FWW)
Francis Flowers
Paul Duguay (VE3NPD)
Fred Noble (VE3BAJ)
Patrick Murphy (VE3TZR)
David Morphy (VE3UKG)
Peter Pfister (VE3SNU)
Allan Barnes (VE3TYJ)
William Monuk (VE3BDK)
Gord Abry (VE3TVY)
Bill Chapman (VE3RWC)
Eric Still (VE3OTT)
Herb Morrison (VE3HMF)
John Pope (VE3ACI)
Phil Robinson (VE3CUR)
Kevin Jones (VE3RKJ)
Gord Cloutier (VE3OSM)
Helmut Schneider (VE3KCF)
Ronald MacIsaac (VE3RGK)
Bob Potts (VE3SHC)
Herbert Gillingham (VE3HRB)
Jim Smith (VE3NVJ)
Bill Balke (VE3NPG)
Linda Balke
Suzanne Juneau
Howie Foell (VE3OWT)
Leon Constantinou (VE3WLD)
Joel Morin (VE3OPS)
Brice Wightman (VE3EDR)
Betty Broome (VE3ZBB)

Russ Dupuis (VE3NJD)
Richard Adams (VE3EIT)
Tom Hayes (VE3ABC)
Normand Dupuis (VE3NDU)
Ernest De Coste (VE3RIM)
Ken MacKinnon (VE3ZZK)
Jerry Everett (VE3XPM)
Paul Gordon (VE2KKB)
Gaston Bruneau (VE3SDR)
Hugo Kneve (VE3KTN)
Duncan Burnside (VE3DOB)
Joe MacPherson (VE3CAT)
Marc Joly (VE2KBX)
Henry Greenway (VE3OMU)
Leo Desjardins (VE3NVL)
Cy Webster (VE3SIY)
Duncan McCansh (VE3OM)
Duncan McCansh Jr.
Hans Van Den Berg (VE3REL)
Jim Dowell (VE3PZP)
Bucky Merkley (VE3JRR)
Alfonso Archibold (HP2MD/VE3)
Chuck Lockwood (VE3CAF)
Jay Maniate (VE3SGU)
Bill Rothwell (VE3FGW)
Steve Nickerson (VE3SXX)
Lise Quesnel

Thanks to all who renewed, and double thanks to Gaston (VE3SDR) for renewing twice (once by mail and once in person). We applied Gaston's second payment to next year, so he's good until 1994!

We would like everybody to renew, but a few people have gone missing. If anyone knows the whereabouts of Peter Noel (VE3DPN), get him to write or call. We keep getting his mail returned, and that nice phone lady says "The number you have dialed is no longer in service." Just what makes her think I have a dial phone anyway?

Don't forget to renew! This is the last *Rambler* issue of the 91/92 year, and you don't want to miss out on a single one.

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