

Nomination of VE3VIG, Maurice-André Vigneault for Life Membership to the OVMRC

Maurice-André Vigneault, VE3VIG, needs little introduction to members of the OVMRC. As the manager of the VE3JW station in the Canada Science and Technology Museum he has been active in pursuing the original aims of that station. Under his leadership, and with assistance from members of the Ottawa Amateur Radio Club (OARC) and other amateurs from other area clubs, along with funding provided by the Canada Museum of Science & Technology and the Ontario Trillium Foundation, Maurice-Andre has helped in the development of amateur radio station VE3JW into a first class, state-of-the-art, public demonstration, training and operating station. This recent expansion has allowed the station to be able to demonstrate some of the newer modes such as amateur satellite communications, APRS and digital modes. The use of a large television screen makes this a very visual and impressive display to the public visiting the museum. We can all be proud of this internationally renowned amateur radio station as a result of the commitment, effort, and devotion provided by Maurice-André.

The development and regular running of VE3JW, with a group of dedicated radio amateurs, is just a part of the role that Maurice-André has undertaken. He actively participates in teaching radio amateurs how to use the station, the equipment and the new modes, as well as ensuring the station is involved in special events, such as: Radio Amateurs of Canada Winter Contest, White Cane Week, Field Day, International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend Event, Talk to Santa, Jamboree on the Air and visits by school children. As if all this was not enough, Maurice-André is also a regular participant in the Club nets, the 2m Simplex contest and he writes for The Rambler and The Canadian Amateur.

Through his guidance Maurice-André has ensured that VE3JW has continued to be a flagship amateur radio station. His activities have contributed significantly, not just for the OVMRC but for amateur radio in Canada. Therefore, we, the undersigned, believe that Maurice-André Vigneault, VE3VIG, deserves to become a life member to the OVMRC and would like to nominate him for consideration by the Club members for that honour.

Ken Halcrow VE3SRS

Ernie Jury VE3EJJ

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Paul Henry VE3CPH

Alan Steele VA3STL

Larry Wilcox VE3WEH

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Club Meeting	Jun 16 7:30 P.M.
Club Exec. Meeting	Jun 23 7:00 P.M.
Rambler Deadline	Aug 5
Sep Club Meeting	Sep 15 7:30 P.M.



Rambler

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OVMRC Repeater

147.300 MHz(+)
444.200 MHz(+)
53.030/52.030 MHz



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<http://www.ovmrc.on.ca/rambler.htm>

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OVMRC Proposed 2005 - 2006 Budget

Ernie Jury
VE3EJJ

INCOME		04/05 Budget	Actual to 23 May	05/06 Budget
50/50 draws		250	106	150
Course		2000	2165	2000
Donations		100	0	0
Flea Mkt		0	609	300
Interest income		75	50	50
Return of unused Trailer project funds		0	2077	0
Manual Sales		0	1848	1000
Membership	e-Rambler	1425	400	625
	mailed Rambler	1425	500	875
Misc. Income		200	12	50
	Total	5475	7767	5050
EXPENSES				
Administration				
	Liability insurance	280	272	265
	Office Supplies	200	117	150
	Museum facilities chg.	150	150	150
	Bank charges	30	10	20
	Misc. including DARF, gifts & domain registration	200	119	100
		<u>860</u>	<u>668</u>	<u>685</u>
Special Events				
	Field Day	500	0	300
	Flea Market	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		500	0	300
Publicity & Programs				
	Rambler	1500	724	1000
	Door Prizes	250	187	100
	Spkr gifts & expenses	200	0	100
	Mbrshp. & other Publ.	200	51	200
	Hospitality	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>50</u>
		2150	962	1450
VE3JW				
	Maintenance	500	18	450
	Insurance	595	576	563
	Capital Improvements.	450	0	0
	Admin.-Supplies, incl. AMSAT membership	50	127	150
		<u>1595</u>	<u>721</u>	<u>1163</u>
Repeater				
	Maintenance including SLVRA & Willen web	600	146	600
	Insurance	75	73	71
	Phone line	725	656	700
	Capital Improvements	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		1400	875	1371
Radio Operations		0	0	100
Jerry Wells Award		250	132	250
Course supplies		2500	965	1200
Emergency Prepared.				
	Trailer maintenance	600	0	500
	Winter storage			360
				<u>860</u>
	Total	9855	4323	7379
Income - Expenses		-4380	3444	-2329

NOTICE TO ALL OVMRC MEMBERS

Bob Sharp
VA3QV

TO: THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE OVMRC
FROM: ELECTION COMMITTEE CHAIR
BOB SHARP VA3QV
SUBJECT: 2005-2006 CLUB ELECTIONS REPORT

JUNE 2 2005

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE CLUB, PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, TREASURER AND SECRETARY HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND ASKED OF THEIR INTENTIONS OF RUNNING FOR THE UPCOMING CLUB YEAR.

THE PRESIDENT HAS DECLINED TO STAND AGAIN,

THE VICE PRESIDENT TENDERED HIS RESIGNATION TO THE EXECUTIVE AT THE MAY EXECUTIVE MEETING AND THE POSITION IS NOW VACANT.

THE SECRETARY HAS DECLINED TO STAND AGAIN.

THE TREASURER HAS DECLINED TO STAND AGAIN

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

ALL STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED VIA EMAIL AND/OR IN PERSON AND ASKED TO INDICATE THEIR INTENTIONS FOR RUNNING AGAIN FOR THE UPCOMING CLUB YEAR

THE HISTORICAL CHAIR HAS AGREED TO STAND AGAIN

THE TECHNICAL CHAIR HAS AGREED TO STAND AGAIN

THE FIELD DAY CHAIR HAS AGREED TO STAND AGAIN

NEWSLETTER EDITOR (RAMBLER) HAS AGREED TO STAND AGAIN

THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CHAIR HAVE AGREED TO STAND AGAIN

THE RADIO OPERATIONS CHAIR HAS DECLINED TO STAND AGAIN

THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR HAS DECLINED TO STAND AGAIN

THE AMATEUR RADIO TRAINING CHAIR HAS DECLINED TO STAND AGAIN

THE PUBLICITY AND PROGRAMMES CHAIR HAS BEEN CONTACTED IN PERSON BUT WILL NOT COMMIT HIMSELF AT THIS TIME

THE MUSEUM STATION (VE3JW) CHAIR HAS BEEN CONTACTED IN PERSON BUT WILL NOT COMMIT HIMSELF AT THIS TIME

THE FLEA MARKET CHAIR POSITION WAS VACANT FROM LAST YEARS ELECTION

SLATE OF CANDIDATE

AT THIS TIME I MUST PRESENT TO YOU THE SLATE OF CANDIDATE THAT HAVE AGREED TO STAND FOR ELECTION OR RE ELECTION AS THE CASE MAY BE:

OVMRC CLUB EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

PRESIDENT - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

VICE PRESIDENT - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

SECRETARY - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

TREASURER - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

OVMRC STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

HISTORICAL - VE3WEH LARRY

TECHNICAL - VE2TQX/VA3TQX JAKE

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS - VE3SRS KEN

FIELD DAY (2006) - VA3STL ALAN

NEWSLETTER (RAMBLER) - VA3WMH BILL

FLEA MARKET - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

RADIO OPERATIONS - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

AMATEUR RADIO TRAINING - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

PROGRAMMES AND PUBLICITY - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

RADIO STATION VE3JW - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

MEMBERSHIP - (NO CANDIDATE AT THIS TIME)

I MUST REMIND YOU THAT OUR CLUB CAN NOT FUNCTION LEGALLY OR REALISTICALLY WITHOUT EXECUTIVE OFFICERS. THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT AS THEY HANDLE MANY OF THE TASKS THAT MAKE US A CLUB.

ALTHOUGH THIS WAS NOT INTENDED TO BE THE TRADITIONAL "DOOM AND GLOOM" NOTICE FOR YOU IT IS NOW LEANING IN THAT DIRECTION. MOST OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS HAVE BEEN HOLDING POSITIONS IN THE CLUB FOR QUITE A WHILE AND ARE WANTING A BREAK. WE NEED SOME "NEW BLOOD" TO STOP OUR CLUB FROM GETTING STALE. WE NEED SOME NEW AMATEURS TO STEP IN AND TAKE OVER THE ADMINISTRATION OF OUR CLUB. I HOPE SOME OF THE NEWER MEMBERS OF THE CLUB WILL STEP UP AND LEAD THE OVMRC FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

NOMINATIONS FOR ANY AND ALL EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITIONS ALONG WITH COMMITTEE CHAIRS POSITIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UP UNTIL THE ACTUAL ELECTION FOR THE POSITIONS AS NOTED ABOVE.

73
BOB SHARP VA3QV

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR.

Since the publication in the last issue of the Rambler of the article on the indoor slinky antenna for 80 meters, several hams have provided significant new evidence on the many ways that slinkies can contribute to a hams' antenna-farm...

Ernie, VE3EJJ, once built a tuneable motorized dipole slinky antenna. Ernie explained how he used small electric motors to pull the end coils of the slinky in and out of metal cans held at the ends of the slinky dipole, thus effectively modifying the electrical length of the antenna. The construction and performance details of such an antenna would clearly deserve an article in its own right!

BOB, VE3RCS, (and also VE3QV) has been working on using a slinky as the loading coil for a portable vertical for QRP use. That too would deserve an article by itself!

Maurice André, VE2VIG, contributed an e-mail he received from Dick M0CLZ with the two following Internet addresses describing different ways for feeding slinky dipoles (Dick claims to use the second one in 40 meters without a tuner):

<http://www.raynet-hf.net/HFimages/Slinky/slinky.html>

<http://www.mw5hoc.4t.com/custom2.html>

Bob, VE3OSZ, kindly shared a paper copy (with lots of diagrams) of the Shortwave Listening (SWL) Manual entitled "Creating 'Slinky' Antennas" put together by Bob Stewart from Hamilton, Ontario, and produced a few years ago by the Ontario DX Association (<http://www.odxa.on.ca>). This manual describes twelve basic types and many variations of receiving antennas made with slinkies, including multi-element and quad slinky receiving antennas!

... Which goes to show that the use of slinkies in antenna applications can have more twists and coils than the Slinky itself!

Field Day 2005

Field Day this year is on the last weekend of June, 25th & 26th June 2005.

Once again the Club will be operating from the Science and Technology Museum, with most likely five transmitters. All club members are welcome and encouraged to get involved. You can bring a station (but do contact me before hand), or just turn up and help with antenna installation and operating. This is a great way to see lots of different radios in operation and a variety of antennas, as well as meet fellow club members and have fun. The contest runs for 24hrs and night time operations will be carried out.

We especially need assistance in the morning of Saturday, when antennas are being installed and stations set-up and on Sunday near noon when we disassemble it all and tidy up. Food will be available as will drinks.

The Club trailer will be there and we aim on operating SSB, CW, PSK31 and have a demonstration of APRS.

Do come along and participate it is always an enjoyable event.

If you want more information see me at the next Club meeting or contact me at the e-mail address below.

73

Alan Steele, VA3STL

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Canada Day Contest



July 1, 2005

Time - 0000Z – 2359Z, July 1, 2005
(6PM June 30 – 6PM July 1, 2005)

Bands - 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6,2m
Modes - CW and Phone (SSB, AM, FM, etc.)
Suggested frequencies - CW – 25 KHz up from
Band edge.
Phone – 1850,3775,7075,7225,14175,21250,28500.

Check for CW activity on the half hour.

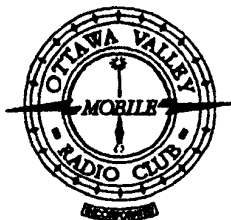
Exchange – Canadian stations – RST & Province.
VE0's and Non Canadian – RST & Serial number.

For further information check out -
<http://www.rac.ca/service/infocont.htm>

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- * The Membership year starts in July and runs to June 30th of the following year.
- * Regular membership is open to licensed amateurs.
- * Associate membership is open to all radio enthusiasts.
- * The family rate is for second and subsequent members of the same family living at the same address.
- * One form per member.

RENEWAL	NEW	CHANGE	OVMRC NAME TAG (Cost \$7.00)	Yes	No
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City		Province		Postal Code	
Home Phone		Work Phone		E-mail Address	

Date

BBN

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 - \$5/year

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Satellite	HF Phone	HF Digital
		HF CW

Current Occupation:

If retired, Former Occupation:

Skills: *(Please list them all)*

COMMENTS

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First Name

Call Sign