



General Meeting, Sept 21/06

Started at 1950 by Larry VE3WEH.
Approx 33 people attending.

New amateur Dave VE3AAQ
looking for votes to get the RAC
North/East Director position.

Question from floor – Why are
certain satellites still being tracked?
Answer – All space junk and
approx 8000 satellites are tracked to
avoid damage to rockets taking off
with cargo. i.e. – Space Shuttle.
Also used for warning when they
finally reenter Earth from orbit.

VE3JW Lighthouse Contest
(Aug18-20/06) presentation by
Larry VE3WEH. This excellent
well detailed computer slide show
showed how a trailer was set up
near the Museum lighthouse.

Various pictures were shown of the
rig/antenna set up and operation by
various operators. 61 contacts (13
DX) were made using the callsign
CAN 865 (M).

Ken Gill VA3KJG (Treasurer)
presented the new budget put
together by the executive for the
year 2006-07. Before being
accepted various questions ensued
in that to lower the deficit should
certain items such as the autopatch,
trailer generator and Web software
could be taken out.

Re the autopatch certain manners in
how to get users to pay on
individual call, members only, etc
came forth. Pros were that the
repeater location did have
emergency power available and that
the patch was there for outside
emergency use. Decided was that
the budget would be accepted with

certain actions to require further
investigation.

Those were as follows:

- 1) Put forward by VE3TCSC,
2nd by VE3SPC – pass
present budget with
autopatch use to be further
examined.
- 2) Put forward by VE3STL, 2nd
by VA3GLT – pass budget
with more detailed required
into purchase of Web
software when there is lots
of free ones available.
- 3) Put forward by VE3VIG, 2nd
by VA3DWC – pass budget
but more info needed on the
amount for repeater's costs
(why, what for, what is
required, etc).

Motion for budget to be accepted
put forward by VE3QND, 2nd by
VE3VIG. Majority voted to accept.

Oct general meeting – mini
fleamarket Oct 19/06 between
1900-2000. Limit of 2 cardboard
cases (beer size) with items to be
labeled for cost and owner. First
come, first serve. Sellers pay 20%
of profits to club. Only club
members can sell.

**WARNING – in the last month
the President and Vice-President
have resigned due to timing
restraints requiring their
presence elsewhere. So far no
volunteers have come forward.
Please ask anyone you know of
they would be interested for such
a position. Also soon required will
be another person for Treasurer.**

**Mention was made of new Ottawa
City zoning bylaw to be put into**

**effect in 2007. Some input was
put in by RAC members hoping it
will have an effect on how it is
worded. This bylaw can have
action on how home antennas can
be erected thus affecting radio
amateurs.**

OVMRC radio course, Tues Oct 3 –
so far 15 people have shown
interest. Course fees are \$250.

Various committee chairs reported
on various (if any) info.

Tickets are being sold in Sept and
Oct for a \$100 XM satellite radio.
Tickets are \$2.00.

50/50 draw - \$20 went to Crepeau
VA3JCM

Door prizes – Robert VA3AJE desk
calendar clock, Gerry VA3GLT
club crest, Dave VE3AAQ club
crest.

Recent silent keys –

Clinton Desjardins VA34CLI and
Steve Chisholm VE7KZ.

Meeting closed 2115.

October Meeting

- Mini Flea Market
- Regular Business
- 2M Simplex FM Contest Awards

Note:

This is the last Rambler for
2005/2006 members, so renew your
membership.



OVMRC Executive 2006-2007

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Vice-President	Jean Crepeau VA3JCN 613-
Treasurer	Robert Plante VA3SHO 613-
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Ralph Cameron, VE3BBM

Doug Carswell, VE3ATY

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Bill Wilson, VE3NR

OVMRC Repeaters

147.300 MHz(+)

444.200 MHz(+)

Amateur Radio Exhibit

VE3JW

Web site:

<http://ve3jw.tripod.com>

Canada Science & Technology
Museum

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MINI FLEA MARKET

WHO: For you, Amateur and future amateur radio operators

WHAT: Buy or sell amateur radio equipment and accessories you have or need

WHEN: 7.00 PM to 8.00 PM, Oct. 19, 2006 before the regular OVMRC meeting.

WHERE: Auditorium of the Canada Museum of Science Technology

HOW: By being there early to take advantage of all the bargains.

RULES:

1. Members ONLY able to sell, anyone may purchase.
2. Limited to two boxes of items.
3. No charge for tables, no reserved table space, must share space.
4. Time 7-8 PM
- 5 Club Donation of 20% of your gross sales collected after meeting.
6. Take-down after meeting, take everything you don't sell with you.

QUESTIONS: Contact Steve Cochran VE3SBC at 613-248-0323

SATELLITE RADIO RAFFLE

No, it is not for Amateur Radio use but it is a Brand New still-in-the-box, XM DELPHI Satellite Receiver Kit for your car or home stereo. A satellite radio is a special digital radio that receives signals broadcast by communications satellite. This allows the listener to follow a single channel no matter where they travel because the signal's reach is not limited by station power (as long as there are no major obstructions, such as buildings, in the line of sight between the antenna and the satellite). This receiver has been donated to our Club and tickets were sold at our last General Meeting.

This is your last chance to purchase tickets when you attend our October 19, 2006 General meeting. The draw will take place during the meeting and some lucky person attending the meeting will take home a BRAND NEW XM DELPHI Satellite Receiver Kit! So don't miss out on this opportunity to enjoy Satellite Radio! Get your tickets and attend our next meeting so you can win this wonderful receiver and support your club in the process. All proceeds will be deposited in our bank account by the Treasurer!

Ticket prices are \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00.

Steve VE3SBC
Publicity & Programs Chair

60 FOOT TOWER FOR SALE

The Executive has decided that the Club's 60' aluminum tower is surplus to our needs and should be disposed of because we do not have an approved storage site. Please note, it is not a self-supporting tower and must be guyed or attached to a suitable building structure.

OVMRC Members are invited to make sealed bids and the highest winning bid will be declared the winner. The winner will have to make arrangements to pick up the tower from its temporary storage location at the Museum.

Bids should be mailed to:

OVMRC, Tower Bid
P.O. Box 41145
Ottawa, Ontario
K1G 5K9

The deadline for receipt of all bids is Nov.10, 2006. Bids will be accepted for the entire 60' length or if you wish, you may bid on a 30' length. A reserve value has been established and if the reserve is not met, the tower will be advertised on the Capital City FM Net and sold to anyone interested. Please contact Steve Cochran VE3SBC at 613-248-0323 for more information.

VP Resigns

Gentlemen,

I must offer you my resignation as Vice President of the Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club. Unfortunately, with my new hockey schedule which begins the last week of September, I am on the ice on Thursday nights. The time varies between 8:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. I will not be able to attend any of the executive meetings from now till May. With two exceptions, the nights of the general meetings, I play at 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. I will attend the general meeting for an hour or so and will have to leave. Regardless, I will definitely remain a member of the OVMRC.

It is not fair to the club to be Vice President in absentia and even more so while there is no President. According to the club bylaws, the Vice President is required to replace the President but my hockey commitment does not give me that luxury.

As far as the Membership Chair is concerned, I am willing to attempt to accomplish the work during the time I will be at the meeting. However, you must realize that I will not be there for the 50/50 draw nor to pick up the club banner at the end of the meeting. If you think I should resign from that position also, I will understand.

Thank you for your understanding. Ham radio is my hobby but hockey is my passion!

Gerry, VA3GLT

A Little Humor

My first job was working in an Orange Juice factory, but I got canned. I couldn't concentrate.

Then I worked in the woods as a Lumberjack, but I just couldn't hack it, so they gave me the axe.

After that, I tried to be a Tailor, but I just wasn't suited for it, mainly because it was a sew-sew job.

Next, I tried working in a Muffler Factory, but that was too exhausting.

Then, I tried to be a Chef - I figured it would add a little spice to my life, but I just didn't have the thyme.

I also attempted to be a Deli Worker but, any way I sliced it, I couldn't cut the mustard.

My best job was a Musician, but eventually I found I wasn't noteworthy.

I studied a long time to become a Doctor, but I didn't have any patience.

Next, was a job in a Shoe Factory. I tried but I just didn't fit in.

So, I became a Professional Fisherman but soon discovered that I couldn't live on my net income.

Then I managed to get a good job working for a Pool Maintenance

Company, but the work was just too draining.

So I tried to work in a Workout Center, but they said I wasn't fit for the job.

After many years of trying to find steady work, I finally got a job as a Historian - until I realized there was no future in it.

My last job was working in Starbucks but I eventually quit because it was always the same old grind.

So, I tried out Retirement and, you know what? I'M PERFECT FOR THE JOB!

Submitted by:
Larry Wilcox, VE3WEH

OVMRC 2006 - 2007 CALENDAR			
Mth	Club Mtg	Exec Mtg	Rambler Deadline
OCT	19 th	26 th	6 th
NOV	16 th	23 rd	3 rd
DEC	14 ^{th*}	21 ^{st*}	1 st
JAN	18 th	25 th	5 th
FEB	15 th	22 nd	2 nd
MAR	15 th	22 rd	2 nd
APR	19 th	26 th	6 th
MAY	17 th	24 th	4 th
JUN	21 st	28 th	8 th

JERRY WELLS AWARD OVMRC AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

The OVMRC Inc. has established the Jerry Wells Award in 1997 in recognition of Jerry Wells VE3CDS, 1928-1997, a live member and Silent Key. Jerry received the "Amateur of the Year Award in June 1997 for his contribution of time, effort and devotion throughout the year to the Amateur Radio Course, his work as Delegated Examiner and his management of Amateur Radio Station, VE3JW, at the Canada Science and Technology Museum. The Award was subsequently renamed the "Jerry Wells OVMRC Amateur of the Year Award in his honour.

Please read the Award criteria before completing the nomination form.

Selection Criteria and Process

The submission of nominees and selection of the award winner will be based on the following criteria.

Each nominee for the award must have been a fully paid up member of the OVMRC and a licensed Radio Amateur during the most recently completed club fiscal year starting July 1, 2004 and ending June 30, 2005 (Award Year).

Nomination must be received in writing, in the required format, prior to, or during the regular November meeting. Each nomination must be supported by not less than two Full Members who were in good standing during the Award Year, and must include a short narrative description of the nominee's contribution to Amateur Radio as specified below:

To be eligible, nominee must have made a significant contribution during the Award Year to further any of the objectives of the OVMRC by:

- Contributing to the interest, study and progress of the science and art of Amateur Radio with particular emphasis on mobile operations;
- Co-operating with and assisting the civil authorities to the fullest extent possible in any emergency; or by

- Fostering good will and understanding among Radio Amateurs.

The eligibility of nominees will be verified by the Executive.

The names of the nominees and the short narrative descriptions provide by the nominators will be published in the December issue of the Rambler.

The Award winner will be determined by SECRET BALLOT by all members attending the regular meeting held in December. Two Full Members in good standing who are not nominees or nominators will be appointed by the President to scrutinize and tabulate the ballots.

The "Jerry Wells OVMRC Amateur of the Year Award," consisting of a suitably engraved plaque and an engraved chrome plated iambic paddle keyer, or equivalent, will be presented to the winner at the January regular meeting.

NEW EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

Your Executive are pleased to announce the following appointments.

New Vice-President:

Jean Crepeau, VA3JCN is replacing Gerry Trottier, VA3GLT. Thanks Gerry for a job well done over the past year. Your leadership and work assisting our Past-President Bob Sharp VA3QV, was much appreciated. Jean was the top student in his class in 2004 OVMRC Amateur Radio Course. He will be at our next General Meeting but unfortunately, will probably be away in China during

the next Executive meeting. Jean works for Synopsys, Inc. which is a world leader in EDA software for semiconductor design. The company delivers technology-leading semiconductor design and verification platforms and IC manufacturing software products to the global electronics market, enabling the development and production of complex systems-on-chips (SoCs). Synopsys also provides intellectual property and design services to simplify the design process and accelerate time-to-market for its customers. Synopsys is head quartered in Mountain View, California and has offices in more than 60 locations throughout North America, Europe, Japan and Asia.

New Treasurer:

Robert Plante, VA3SHO has agreed to be our Treasurer replacing outgoing Ken Gil, VA3KJG. Robert is also a Graduate of the OVMRC Amateur Radio Course. We are very fortunate to have you join the Executive and with your background and experience in Project Management, we are sure you will do an excellent job. Many thanks to Ken who has looked after our finances and tried to keep us on track for so many years. We wish you both well in all your endeavors.

We look forward to working with both of you on the Executive.

Larry Wilcox, VE3WEH
Nominating Committee Chair

Steve Cochran, VE3SBC
Member Nominating Committee

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

- * 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

Call Sign	Surname	Preferred First Name
Mailing Address		Apartment Number
City	Province	Postal Code
Home Phone	Work Phone	E-mail Address @rac.ca

Date

BBN

For Office use only

- One year membership. Regular or Associate. Includes mailed Rambler - \$40/year
- One year membership. Regular or Associate. Without mailed Rambler - \$30/year
- Family membership. For family of current members. No mailed Rambler - \$5/year

Amount Enclosed

\$ ____.

Cheque Cash

- My Interests are:**
- VHF/UHF Phone VHF/UHF Digital VHF/UHF CW
 - Satellite HF Phone HF Digital HF CW

For Family Membership please enter Regular/Associate Member's Call Sign/Name

Current Occupation:

If retired, Former Occupation:

Skills: (Please list them all)

COMMENTS



OVMRC NAME TAG — ORDER DETAILS

First Name

Call Sign