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President's Ramblings

Many thanks to our April guest speaker Dannis René from Les Produits Électroniques ELKEL Ltée, Trois-Rivières, QC. This year Dannis brought and presented several mobile and portable radios, with accessories such as antennas. As you may be aware of already, ELKEL has donated a brand new HF radio Model Kenwood TS-590S for installation at VE3JW. It replaced the old Kenwood TS-850. The new TS-590S is a much better radio. At the beginning of the April meeting, a plaque acknowledging the contribution of ELKEL to VE3JW was formally presented to Dannis by Darin VE3OIJ, our Amateur Radio Exhibit Chair. The plaque will be on display, permanently, at VE3JW.

Be part of the discussion about the replacement of the VE3TWO repeater. Log on to the OVMRC Forum (follow the link <http://ovmrc.on.ca/forum/>). The discussion is under the topic "OVMRC Forum » Radio Talk » VHF/UHF » Your VE3TWO repeater".

We are on track for the 2011 Field Day (June 25-26). Bob VA3QV is leading the organization. We are planning a 2A station. Darin VE3OIJ is the digital station captain and Maurice-André VE3VIG the CW station captain. We are looking for a Get-On-The-

Air (GOTA) station captain. The GOTA station provides an opportunity for newly licensed amateurs, other generally inactive licensees and non-licensed people to experience first-hand the fun of amateur radio. Contact any of these people if you are interested to participate. We need volunteers on the Saturday morning to deploy the station and Sunday to pack up everything. The venue is the grounds of the museum, near the rocket ship. It is a much better and safer location for overnight operation than last year. The OVMRC Forum has a discussion group about the field day under the topic "OVMRC Forum » Announcements » Field Day". The club will provide refreshments, Saturday's supper and Sunday's Breakfast to operators. Let us know if you wish to be part of the crew. Previous field experience is not required. The weekend we leave you unforgettable memories.

Get ready for our mobile and portable equipment show and tell annual event May 19. Bring and demonstrate your mobile or portable setup. There will be prizes for the best installations. For this occasion, the meeting will be held outdoors, from 7 PM in the parking lot of the museum.

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May 19th

June 16th

Executive Meeting:

June 2nd

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OVMRC Repeaters

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444.200 MHz(+)

Amateur Radio Exhibit

VE3JW

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MINUTES GENERAL MEETING

April 21, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

Beth VA3CEW called the meeting to order at 19:40. There were 45 people in attendance.

2. GUESTS

Daniel VE2YDP, Dannis VE2ZZXZ, Frank VE3YY, Harold VA3UNK, Joyce Dagenais, Lisette Bourassa, Madeleine Gervais, Paul VE2DBX, Pete VE3XEM, René VE2SUD and Travis.

3. PROGRAM

3.1 Presentation of Plaque to Elkel

Darin VE3OIJ presented a plaque to Dannis VE2ZZXZ of Les Produits Électroniques ELKEL Ltée of Trois-Rivières, Québec. This plaque was presented in appreciation of the recent donation by Elkel of a Kenwood TS 590-S to the amateur radio demonstration station VE3JW. An identical plaque is on display at the Station. Already, the Kenwood has proven very effective in demonstrating many aspects of amateur radio to visitors to the Canada Science and Technology Museum. Thank you Dannis and Elkel for the generous donation.

3.2 Presentation by Elkel on Amateur Radio Equipment

Dannis VE2ZZXZ of Les Produits Électroniques ELKEL Ltée of Trois-Rivières, Québec, discussed the features, advantages and disadvantages of the latest amateur radio equipment offered by leading manufacturers such as Alinco, Icom, Kenwood and Yaesu. He displayed a wide line of handheld,

mobile and base-station radios covering HF, VHF, UHF, D-Star, APRS, satellite and other capabilities from these manufacturers. He also described the features of several quarter-wave, half-wave and five-eighths-wave mobile antennas from manufacturers such as Diamond and others, including the ATAS screwdriver model from Yaesu. As well, Dannis described the features of repeaters manufactured by Yaesu and Icom. Finally, Dannis talked about corporate concentration in the amateur radio industry and about the increasing popularity of handheld radios made in China.

The presentation made by Dannis, coupled with answers to the many questions that were asked by the audience, lasted more than an hour. The information provided by Dannis on repeaters will be especially valuable to the Club in its deliberations to generate the short list of equipment to replace its obsolescent repeater. Those in attendance left the meeting more knowledgeable of current equipment. Thank you Dannis for taking the time to make the trip to Ottawa and for sharing your expert knowledge and deep passion for amateur radio.

4. REPORTS FROM CHAIRS

4.1 Amateur Radio Exhibit VE3JW

a) Volunteers Needed

Darin VE3OIJ informed members that, during March 2011, almost 1,000 people visited the demonstration station VE3JW. Volunteers at the Station actively engaged about half of these visitors on various aspects of amateur radio. Darin reminded members that

additional volunteer operators are needed at the Station. Those interested in becoming volunteers should contact Darin to discuss what is expected of them, or to schedule an orientation session at a mutually-convenient time.

b) Amateur Radio Satellite Course

Maurice-André VE3VIG presented two certificates to each of David VE3ECV, Joe VE3EUS, Paul-Ernest VE2DBX and René VE2SUD. These certificates marked their successful completion of the amateur radio satellite course offered by the Club. One certificate was awarded in recognition of successful completion of the theoretical as well as the hands-on aspects of course. The other was awarded by Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT) to recognize that each of the graduates has made their first contact with another amateur via satellite amateur radio. That certificate also inducts each graduate into the AMSAT Satellite Communicators' Club. The course offered by the Club is held at the demonstration station VE3JW and it requires a commitment of about six hours to complete. The course is free. Those interested in taking the course should contact Maurice-André to book an appointment at a mutually-convenient time.

c) Marconi Day Special Event

Maurice-André also informed members that, on Saturday April 30, 2011, the Barry Amateur Radio Society based in South Wales, United Kingdom, would activate a Marconi Day special event station from Flatholm Island located in the Bristol Channel. Operations will take place on many of the HF bands and amateur satellites using the call

sign GB4MBC. Additional information is available at QRZ.com.

4.2 Amateur Radio Training

a) Amateur Radio Course

Ernie VE3EJJ reminded members that the next amateur radio course offered by the Club will be held in the fall of 2011. Already, there have been inquiries from potential candidates. Ernie asked members to forward to him all inquiries about the course for further action.

4.3 Emergency Preparedness

a) Club Communications Trailer

Paul VE3NJS informed members that the Club communications trailer would be used for Field Day. He also reminded members that the trailer is available for other Club events if and when required.

4.4 Membership

a) CNIB Amateur Radio Program

Joe VE3EUS informed members that the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) is looking for an amateur radio operator to assist a blind amateur. The CNIB Amateur Radio Program is all encompassing in that it helps visually impaired individuals to obtain their amateur radio license, it provides them with equipment, and it matches them with Elmers. There are some 500 blind amateur radio operators in Canada who participate in the CNIB program.

The Club is a strong supporter of both, blind amateur radio operators and the CNIB Amateur Radio Program. The Club is a regular financial contributor to that

program. Jerry VE3QSO, a blind operator, was president of the Club from October 2007 to November 2008. Currently, the Club is proud to count Graham VE3GBD and Roger VE3NPO as active members. Graham is also a volunteer at the amateur radio demonstration station VE3JW. From time to time, a number of our Club members help blind operators in the Ottawa area.

The CNIB is now seeking an Elmer for a blind amateur with 30 years of operating experience. This amateur holds Basic, Morse Code and Advanced qualifications. He has his own shack and can operate independently. His current Elmer of many decades is no longer able to provide the level of service that he once could.

Helping out from time to time with technical issues is not an onerous job. Anyone interested in sharing their love of the hobby with a blind amateur should contact Joe for further details.

4.5 Program and Publicity

a) Portable and Mobile Contest

Michel VE3EMB informed members that the Club would hold its Portable and Mobile Contest in the parking lot of the Canada Science and Technology Museum on May 19, 2011. That event starts at 19:00, half an hour earlier than meetings held indoors. All amateurs, whether or not they are Club members, are welcome to enter the competition. Prizes will be awarded. Judges decisions are final.

b) Club Elections

Club Elections will be held at the June, 2011 meeting. Michel

encouraged all members to consider running for Club office.

4.6 Special Events

a) Larry Wilcox Memorial 2-Meter FM Contest, May 7, 2011

Bob VA3QV reminded members that the Larry Wilcox Memorial 2 Meter FM Contest would be held on Saturday, May 7, 2011. This event is strictly FM simplex voice. The contest will start at 10:00 local time and last four hours. Rules were published in the April 2011 issue of the Rambler. Of particular note, the mobile category has been discontinued for the 2011 contest. The April issue of the Rambler also contains links to websites documenting the city wards to be used as multipliers for both, Ottawa and Gatineau. All amateurs, whether or not they are Club members, are welcome to participate. Prizes will be awarded. Judges decisions are final. See you on the air!

b) AARL Field Day, June 25-26, 2011

Bob also reminded members that the AARL Field Day 2011 will be held on June 25 and 26. The Club will operate from the grounds of the Canada Science and Technology Museum, in proximity to the rocket. This location is particularly effective for the deployment of dipoles. The Club plans to operate under a 2-Alpha configuration. The Club communications trailer will be used during this event.

Darin VE3OIJ will act as HF digital captain. Maurice-André VE3VIG will act as HF CW captain. The Club will also operate on VHF on the 2 metre and 6 metre bands. Bob will provide the equipment for the satellite station. Recent graduates

of the amateur radio course are especially invited to participate. There will be a get on the air station (GOTA) to which members are encouraged to invite their non-amateur friends.

Additional members are needed for the Field Day Committee. Issues that need to be addressed by the Committee include networking of logging programs, the deployment of a mess tent, and the preparation of food and beverages. We need a BBQ chef! Members are also needed for set up and tear down of equipment.

At as the end of the general meeting, 18 members of the Club had signed up for Field Day. This represents a total of 31 shifts for the various bands and modes. There are plenty of shifts left to fill. All those who have yet to sign up as operators or to participate in the Field Day Committee should contact Bob as soon as possible.

4.7 Technical

Mathieu VA3ECM informed members that their input is required with respect to the type and functionality of equipment that might be suitable to replace the aging VE3TWO repeater. Members are invited to comment using the Forum on the Club website or to contact Mathieu directly.

Paul VE3NJS and Mathieu plan to assess the repeater site during the week of April 24.

4.8 Treasurer

Beth VA3CEW reported that there were no major departures from the Club budget.

4.9 Webmaster

Chris VA3SM informed members that a new picture viewer is being implemented on the Club website. All members are encouraged to submit pictures.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

a) Lanark Highlands Forest Rally

Jeannie VE3JNE invited members to support communications for the Lanark Highlands Forest Rally. This car rally will be held on Saturday May 7, 2011. Amateur radio operators are required on 2 metres. Headquarters for the rally will be in the village of Lanark. Those interested should contact Jeannie.

b) CN Cycle for CHEO

Harold VA3UNK invited members to support communications for the 2011 CN Cycle for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) event. This event will be held on Sunday, May 1. Operators are required on 2 metres. Those interested should contact Harold at va3unk@rac.ca.

c) Phoenix Net

Pete VE3XEM invited members to participate in the Phoenix Net which is held at 20:00 local time on Thursday nights on 145.450 MHz on the VE3RIX repeater.

d) FM simplex net

Frank VE3YY invited members to participate in the FM simplex net that take place on Thursday nights following the Phoenix Net (see above). Nets are held on 146.490, 223.500 and 446.000 MHz.

6. PRIZES

Proceeds of the 50:50 ticket sales were \$78.00. The 50:50 draw (\$39.00) was won by James VE3BUX. James graciously donated his winnings to the Club. Thank you James.

Door prizes were won by Adrian VA3ZWB, Arthur VA3BIT, Clare VE3NPC, Darin VE3OIJ, Ed VE3GX, Guy VE3VCF, Kirk VA3DKG, Michel VE3EMB and René VE2SUD. Prizes were supplied by both Joe VE3EUS and by the Club.

7. UPCOMING CLUB MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Club Executive will be held at 19:00 on Thursday, May 5, 2011.

The next general meeting of the Club will be held at 19:30 on Thursday, May 19, 2011. All meetings take place at the Canada Science and Technology Museum, 1867 St Laurent Boulevard, Ottawa, Ontario. All local or out of town radio enthusiasts are welcome to attend.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 21:30 at which time many of the attendees proceeded, as is customary, to the local coffee shop to talk radio.

9. SIGNED

Joe VE3EUS, Secretary



VE3JW MMA APRIL 2011 RESULTS

April was a slower month at VE3JW, but we still managed to log a substantial number of contacts and volunteer hours. Of special note this month is that the MMA recognizes museum visitor Catherine who, under the direction of VE3VCF made a sideband contact to Ohio. Also of note was a QSO with ZB3R (Gibraltar) conducted by VE3EUS. Gibraltar does not have many active radio amateurs so it is a special contact indeed! In late April, another student, VE3EPJ, started the free satellite communications course.

Also new at VE3JW - we replaced the aging SASI tracker with a brand new LVB tracker from AMSAT. This is a very nice piece of equipment, and makes a fine addition to the station.

To get your name in the Monthly Merit Awards, you have to operate VE3JW! Entrance to the museum is free if you are coming to VE3JW to operate. The station is manned most days, but please contact one of our operators to be sure there will be someone to open up the station. You can contact Darin (VE3OIJ) at ve3oij@amsat.org if you'd like to become a volunteer operator or just want to operate for a little while.

April Results

Made by Guests and Visitors:

1. Best SSB QSO (Distance):
Catherine (under direction of VE3VCF) to W8RA, 715 km

4. Best Satellite QSO (Distance):
VE2SUD to IN3GNV, 6697 km

Made by regular ops:

6. Best SSB QSO (Distance):
VE3VCF to ZS1ZY, 12945 km

7. Best CW QSO (Distance):
VE3OIJ to VP5/W5CW, 2653 km

8. Best HF Digital QSO (Distance):
VE3EUS to LU7WW, 9834 km

9. Best Satellite QSO (Distance):
VE3LTN to EA1BYC, 5515 km

* Five QSO list for April 2011:
VE3BUX, VE3EUS, VE3EMY,
VE3OIJ, VE3VCF, VE3LTN,
VE3HAZ

* Most contacts for April 2011:

- Guest op: VE2SUD, 2

- Regular op: VE3EUS, 68

* Total QSOs at VE3JW for April 2011: 210

Volunteers hours for April 2011:

This month our operators have totalled 243 hours, 50 minutes.

Well done everyone!

Darin Cowan, VE3OIJ
VE3JW Manager



The Bureau is looking for...

by Beth Webster, VA3CEW

The Bureau is looking for...

VE3EPC Emergency Preparedness Canada

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VE3BAN Jack Lee

VE3BBO Marilyn Scott

VE3BBQ Pierre Paul Sauve

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VE3BED Nicholas Evanoff

VE3BPL Donald W. Davenport

VE3BPN Solomon Kaiman

VE3BEY Jean M. Evoy

VE3EKV Darryl Millson

The VE3 QSL Bureau has QSL cards for the above, but no mailing funds. If the hams would like the cards forwarded, they should send in \$5.00 and six self-addressed adhesive labels (not the small "return address" type) showing their callsign(s) above their name. The Bureau will supply the mailing envelopes at cost. If the hams do not want the cards, they should inform the VE3 QSL Bureau and the Bureau will return these and all future QSL cards back to the senders.

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North East Ontario Regional Director's Report

May, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Regional Directors was held on April 28, 2011 starting at 2330Z.

One of the items discussed and approved was the tiered membership the A&F committee have been working on since last October. Once the systems are in place, RAC will be offer a greater range of membership payment categories. While this will not affect most members, it may bring in a few more over the longer term. You will also note a very slight increase in member fees. Up \$2.00 for the membership category that 99% of the members belong to. Our last increase was over 5 years ago. Our Bylaws state we have two classes of membership Full & Associate, within those we have a number of payment categories. Additional details will be available on the web pages shortly.

The other bit of good news is that RAC is now in the black financially and will finish this fiscal year with a small surplus. This is the first time in 3 years that this has happened and bodes well for the future of RAC. This is primarily due to the efforts of our Treasurer Margret VE3VXN and the Administration and Finance Committee.

You may remember the previous company that carried RAC insurance declined to continue that service. As a result several RAC

executive and experts in the field sought out a new carrier. Prior to the new company we had 53 clubs that took advantage of the service. We now have in excess of 65. If your club is looking for liability insurance check it out.

At the risk of sounding like Rick Mercer, "if you find yourself in Smiths Falls on May 14th", there is the Smiths Falls Hamfest. Go to the RAC web pages or ve3rlr@yahoo.ca for further information. Geoff VE4BAW and I will be there as well.

And if you are going to Dayton this year check RAC out at Booth 487. For the first time in several years we are having a presence in Dayton. Drop by and say hello. It would be great to see as many hams from Canada as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns please email me at ve3xt@rac.ca.

73
Bill VE3XT
North East Ontario Regional Director
Radio Amateurs of Canada

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VPFS Doug Mercer VO1DTM and National Secretariat welcome A.J.(Andrew) Bryan VE7KSN 2011-05-04

It is with great pleasure that I, along with the members of the Field Organization National Secretariat welcome A.J.(Andrew) Bryan VE7KSN to the Secretariat as IT Advisor.

A.J. is an advanced ham with code endorsement and resides in Staanch, British Columbia.

Originally from Nova Scotia he graduated from the Royal Road Military College in Victoria and went on to serve in the military as an infantry officer for 8 years. He has experience as a Business Analyst and IT Support Specialist with the British Columbia Provincial Emergency Program, is staff representative to the Radio Advisory Committee, as is currently Emergency Management Technology Specialist with the PEP, Emergency Management British Columbia.

Welcome aboard A.J. Your knowledge and experience combined with that of our other Advisors will greatly enhance our ability to ensure the successful implementation of a new Field Organization, and our ARES review project.

National Amateur Radio Emergency Database (NARED) now ready for applicants

I am pleased to advise that the National Amateur Radio Emergency Database is ready to receive applicants. If you are interested in being considered, have a high level of Emcomm training or are willing to update, please contact the undersigned by e-mail to receive an information package, release of liability form and application. Once you have submitted your application, it will be reviewed by our National Emergency Coordinator Ken Oelke VE6AFO and Manager NARED Merv Halvorsen VA3TSA. Thank you for your interest.

SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS COURSE GRADUATES



Left to right: VE3VIG Instructor, VE3EUS Joe, VE3ECV David, VE2DBX Paul-Ernest, VE2SUD René

Interest in satellite communications is steadily growing. With more equipment being available on the market and satellites being designed for easy operation, you no longer need a super station to enjoy this most challenging, and, at the same time, most rewarding, part of our hobby.

Joe, VE3EUS, who works as a volunteer at the VE3JW Museum station, was anxious to give the SatCom mode a try after seeing us enjoying it. He signed up for the course in March and jumped over the hurdle of hands-on manual mode operation to qualify for his certificate.

David, VE3ECV, from West Ottawa, waited for his retirement to tackle the SatCom course. You could clearly see his excitement when he was successful in completing his first satellite contacts.

Paul-Ernest, VE2DBX, who recently moved to Ottawa from Montréal, used his engineering knowledge to build a basic SatCom station. He homebrewed a VHF and a UHF antenna, both multi-element

Yagis, mounted them on an azimuth rotor placed horizontally so that he could servo it up and down for elevation. Below this rotor, he used another azimuth rotor to turn his antennas 360 degrees. He built a control box for the two rotors and showed me the professional drawings that he drafted for the control. He used Sun readings to orientate his system.



VE2DBX satellite antennas and rotors

Unfortunately, he was never able to copy any satellites. So, he decided to join us for the SatCom course, thinking that there must be more to it than antennas. We helped him test his radios (he uses two radios) and his antenna system, which proved to function properly. At the end of the course, he reported success in copying satellites on his own system.

René, VE2SUD, lives in Gatineau and wants to set up a SatCom station. He joined the course and his first satellite contact was with a rare station in Inuvik, NWT, John, VE8EV. René has started to purchase satellite equipment and is planning for support and configuration. We much appreciate René's offer to volunteer at the VE3JW station and he has already



VE2DBX satellite station

filled in his volunteer form at the Museum.

The picture of our four graduates appears at the top. Along with the presentation of their course certificate, they were presented with their first award certificate from AMSAT for having completed their first satellite contact. They were also registered in the AMSAT Satellite Communicator's Club.

The Satellite Communications course is available to any certified radio amateurs for free. Let us know what time and date best suits you and we will arrange to meet with you at the VE3JW Amateur Radio Exhibit station for a hands-on experience.

Maurice-André Vigneault, VE3VIG
VE3JW volunteer

*All pictures courtesy of VE2DBX,
Paul-Ernest*

Larry Wilcox Memorial 2m Simplex Contest

I hope everyone had fun during the recent contest. Just remember that your logs **MUST** be handed in to me by the end of the May General Meeting. I will accept paper logs in person at the general meeting. Logs sent in via email will be accepted as long as they are received before 2300 hrs local on Thursday May 19th.

The winners will be announced and awards presented at the AGM in June.

Good luck to all participants.

Bob VA3QV



The ARRL logo for Field Day 2011.

OVMRC Field Day Update for May 2011

Things are progressing quite nicely. Thanks to Joe VE3EUS for manning the sign up list at the April meeting. We still need a few more CW Operators and a few more Digital operators. The GOTA station, HF Voice, VHF/6m and the Satellite Crew now have good crews starting to form so I would now like to split those up.

I am now looking for Station Captains for the GOTA Station, HF Voice, and the Satellite Station.

At this time I am still in need of someone to look after the Mess Tent as well as assist VE3OIJ with the coordination of the logging software on the laptops. Do we have an IT style person out there that knows how to BBQ. Failing that the positions could be split into two small easy tasks.

If you need more information or want to join in the fun please send me an email (va3rcs at rogers.com) or talk to me at the May Meeting.

73bob

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OVMRC Field Day Chair

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Ladies and Gentlemen;

I have audited the financial statements of the Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club Incorporated for the period ending 31 August 2010.

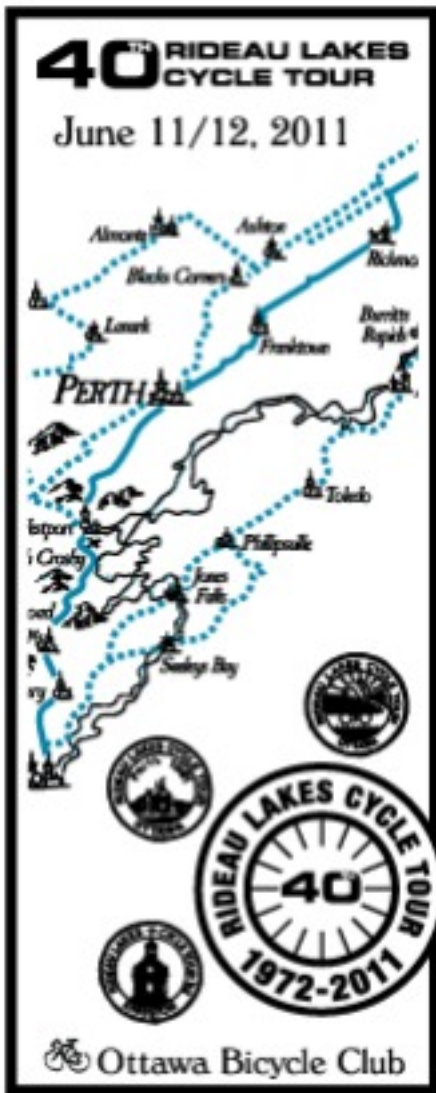
In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Club as at 31 August 2010 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the preceding year.

Sincerely;


Darin Cowan (VE3OIJ)
25 April, 2011

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Here's the short and sweet about this event...

Event: Rideau Lakes Cycle Tour (Bicycle tour leaving Carleton U. On Saturday morning for Queen's University in Kingston, overnight at Queens, and returning on the Sunday)

When: June 11/12, 2011 (Saturday morning, Sunday late morning and afternoon)

Purpose: Provide radio support for the tour -- collaborative effort between Lanark ARES, Frontenac ARES, and the Ottawa EMRG/ARES groups.

Equipment: 2m mobile ops, 25 to 50W for further out stations

Ottawa Coverage area: Carleton U. to Loon Lane between Blacks Corners and Perth

Stations: A dozen fixed mobile locations spaced approx. 5 km apart, one control station, and one mobile sweep vehicle

Appreciate the support for the OVMRC membership in past years. It has really made a difference. Anyone interested in helping out on both or either days can contact Gord (VE3FRB) at ve3frb@rac.ca No experience necessary. New participants are most welcome.

73

NEXT MEETING

**19 May
19:30 Hrs**

Canada Science & Technology Museum

Mobile Equipment Show & Tell

See You There !!!

Rambler Article Submission Schedule:

Please submit articles for the Rambler to the editor: [Robert Cherry](mailto:Robert.Cherry@rac.ca) no later than the dates below:

June 3rd

Club Meeting Dates:

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Photos from last meeting

Courtesy of Michel Barbeau, VE3EMB



Dannis René presenting an Icom mobile radio at the April OVMRC General meeting.



Darin VE3OIJ presenting to Dannis a plaque acknowledging the generous contribution of ELKEL to VE3JW.



The equipment brought by Dannis was spread out over three tables. Mobile radios were on display on the first table, portable radios on the second and accessories on the third.



A plaque commemorating the donation of ELKEL to VE3JW, on the wall next to the large monitor, for permanent display at VE3JW.

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

- The membership year starts in September and runs to the end of August of the following year.*
- Regular membership is open to licensed amateurs.*
- Associate membership is open to all unlicensed radio enthusiasts.*
- Membership includes an e-mail subscription to the Club newsletter, the OVMRC Rambler.*

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