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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Here we are in the midst of a belated but very real Canadian winter. I'm remembering days of yore and the warm glow of rectifier tubes and the heated exhaust from cherry red plated amplifier tubes.

Those old tube amps are now museum pieces but the long winter nights of chasing DX on the low bands are still with us.

Thanks to the diligent efforts of our HF remote station implementation committee; KARC will soon be provide the opportunity to operate a modern HF station to those who otherwise wouldn't have access to HF operations. Since the January meeting, the committee has purchased the station equipment and are now focused on the honing the details of the setup and documenting the start-up and operating procedures.

We look forward to offering this exciting resource to both fellow members and the amateur community.

Although we're in the depth of Winter, it's time to start planning for our club's Summer activities, chiefly the ARRL Field Day. We look forward to discussing ideas for making our Field Day technically challenging and most importantly, an enjoyable operating event for all of us to participate in.

I hope to see you all at the next club meeting on Wednesday evening February 3rd.

Vy 73s,

Paul VA3LX President, Kingston Amateur Radio Club

DX REPORT

January promised to be a brilliant month for rare DX, and indeed it has been.

The ZL9A expedition to Antipodes Island that Cezar VE3LYC participated in made 8,500 contacts during their stay on the Island. Their departure was postponed for a day to let the 30 to 50 meter high waves crashing onto the shore subside!

I'm writing this on Monday the 25th. The K5P expedition to Palmyra Reef is scheduled to wrap up tomorrow after two full weeks of operation. As of this morning, they have 71,000 contacts in the log. Like many of the large expeditions, they have been uploading their logs to Clublog (www.clublog.org). Clublog has a number of interesting tools to track the expedition's activities and as well as a search function to check that that hard won contact is actually 'in the log'. The propagation tool is especially helpful if you're not familiar with propagation to these obscure parts of the planet. If the expedition uses the 'leaderboard' tool, you can have a look and see who, among the Canadian DX powerhouses, is logging the most QSOs.

Perhaps the most amazing DXpedition for January is the VP8STI expedition to South Sandwich Island (www.intrepid-dx.com/vp8) conducted by the Intrepid DX Group. The expedition team sailed for a week from Port Stanley in the Falkland Islands to reach Thule Island in the South Sandwich Island group. From the photos, it appears that their 'camp' is situated on a glacier. They have made over 50,000 QSOs so far. This morning, the team reported that high winds overnight destroyed several antennas and partially collapsed their two tents.

The team planned to go on from Thule Island to activate the South Georgia Islands. They will be assessing 'the damage' to see if carrying on and activating the South Georgia Islands is feasible.

Other DX planned for February listed on NG3K's Announced DX site (www.ng3k.com) include:

Mauritius, 3B8HD conducted by OE4AAC from February 11th to March 1st. This is planned as a 'holiday style' operation on 40 thru 10 meters.

Senegal, 6W7/F6HMJ from February 10th thru March 1st on all bands but CW only.

Guantanamo Bay, KG4, conducted by W4WV as KG4WV and W6HGF as KG4HGF on all modes on the HF bands from February 19th thru March 4th.

Sao Tome and Principe Islands, S9BK, conducted by HB9BEI on 40 thru 10 meters SSB + digital modes from February 25^{th} thru March 25^{th} .

Check www.ng3k.com and www.dx-world.net for information on other Dxpeditions.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE KINGSTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC HELD ON

Wednesday 6 January 2016 At Smitty's Restaurant 2376 Princess Street, Kingston Ontario

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by the President, Paul VA3LX.

- 1. Members and guests introduce themselves: 19 members and guests were in attendance. Paul VA3LX welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially Michael VA3KOC, who's been absent for a while.
- 2. Additions to the agenda: Paul VA3LX suggested that meeting adjournment (item 11) not occur until after the presentation to allow discussion of it during the meeting.
- 3. Minutes of the December 2015 meeting: Les V3KFS/Shannon VA3XRY moved approval of the minutes as published in the January newsletter. There were no errors or omissions and the motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Treasurer's Report: Doug reviewed the report that was published in the January newsletter and attached as Appendix A to these minutes. Doug VE3FFR/Les VE3KFS moved approval of the Treasurer's Report as published in the January newsletter. Steve VE3KC asked why the \$750.00 course proceeds appeared as a Transfer instead of Revenue in the year-to-date report for 2015. Doug replied that it was a question of semantics. Paul VA3LX suggested that Doug and Steve debate the finer points of accounting offline. The motion Carried unanimously.

Doug VE3FFR/DaveVA3DLF moved that financial records for 2006 2007 and 2008 be destroyed, in accordance with the legal requirement to keep financial records for seven years. Steve VE3KC wondered whether the records have any archival value. Doug said that any that do will be kept. The motion carried unanimously.

- 5. Business arising from the minutes:
 - a. Update on archives project: Assaf VA3PCI reported that the project is ongoing. He estimated that the document scanning is about 85% complete. He said that the material includes non-standard size pages which take more time to digitize because they have to be photographed rather than scanned. Assaf mentioned that there's an audio cassette to be digitized which Steve will do.
 - b. Follow-up on Fall projects discussion: Paul VA3LX reported that as a result of the meeting held at the QTH of Peter VE3POA in November, building project(s) would probably involve Arduinos. Another meeting is planned this month.
 - c. Website and Freelist Yahoo update: Chip VA3KGB said there was nothing new to report about the web site and reminded members to let him know about any issues they encounter. Steve VE3KC said that there are no issues with the Freelist. Carl VE3DNR said that he noticed a week ago that the Freelist archives is open and wondered when and why that occurred. Steve VE3KC replied that the password requirement to access the archive was removed in March 2014 after the primary objector retracted his objection. Steve said that when a password was required few, if any, subscribers accessed it. He said that the Freelist organization prefers archives of lists they host be open. He asked if there were any strong objections to the archive being open. None were expressed.

- d. Update on VE3KBR and acknowledgment of FRG for using their repeater: Paul VA3LX reported that VE3KBR is up again (it was turned on Dec. 9, 2015) and that the Frontenac Radio Group has been thanked publicly for allowing KARC to use their repeater for our nets. He said that he subsequently received an e-mail from Mark Podgers saying that it had been a good experience for FRG and expressed the hope that the two organizations could develop a reciprocal arrangement concerning the use of each other's repeaters. Les VE3KFS said that both IRLP and Echolink are working normally.
- e. 2016 Ham Course; volunteer class organizer needed: Les VE3KFS said that no one has stepped up to coordinate a ham course so he doubts there will be one this year. Jim VE3HOV reported that there's the possibility of a course in Brockville. To go ahead, 10 participants would have to sign up. Other details have to be worked out. Paul VA3LX thanked Les and his team for doing past courses.
- f. Winter social event: Deferred.
- 6. New Business: None.
- 7. Reports:
 - a. Net Manager: The report is published in the newsletter and attached as Appendix B to these minutes. Steve VE3KC commented that the reminder he started posting on the Freelist Dec. 14 appears to be working. Checkins are up including at least one ham who hasn't been a Club member for several years. Paul VA3LX hoped Steve would continue to post reminders.
 - b. CFARS: Les VE3KFS reported that the weekly nets are running smoothly with lots of check-ins thanks to relays. He said that the Jan. 3 joint net with MARS was particularly outstanding.
 - c. "Hearts and Flowers": No one was aware of any sick or injured amateurs. Paul VA3LX remarked that no news is good news.
 - d. Community acknowledgments: Paul VA3LX acknowledged Assaf VA3PCI for editing the newsletter since October 2010. Paul commented on Assaf's gentle reminders for articles and the excellent content in this month's newsletter, particularly the material from the archives and article on useful things to have around the house.
 - e. Other Reports: Les VE3KFS reported that the FRG repeater was updated today with a new audio card in its controller that should improve its audio levels.
- 8. Haves and wants: Les VE3KFS reminded the meeting that Ron VE3GO is running the swap net on both the Club and FRG weekly nets as well as on the Club web site. He encouraged members to list items they want or have for sale with Ron and to check out the swap shop. Jim VE3HOV said that Ron would be welcome to do the swapshop on the ARTAS Net at 8 AM on the VA3LGA repeater as well. Matt VA3MHB said he's looking for a Rigblaster. Jim VE3HOV is interested in obtaining a HF transceiver. Michael VA3KOC has a 4-band vertical antenna (40 through 10) that he's willing to part with.
- 9. 50/50 Draw: Following a 10-minute break, the 50/50 draw was won by Derek VE3HRW who picked up\$12.00 which he re-invested in his 2016 membership.

10. Presentation: Demonstration of remote station technologies and discussion of planning for implementation of a KARC remote station (Les VE3KFS, Chip VA3KGB and Carlyle VE3WIO): Following the presentation, Carlyle VE3WIO/Doug VE3FFR moved that an amount not to exceed \$1,200.00 be allocated to establish a remote station for the Club. In the discussion that followed, Derek VE3HRW spoke about the benefits of a remote station, particularly as members age and move into housing where they can no longer install HF transceivers and antennas. Paul VA3LX expressed the hope that the station would be generally available, that the existence of the station should be promoted, that users should be trained, and that while it's desirable that they be Club members, it should be a service to the Amateur community. Les VE3KFS said that all modes could be used: digital, phone and CW with the addition of DM780. The motion carried unanimously.

Les VE3KFS/SteveVE3KC moved that the Club negotiate with Roy VE3VJF to purchase his Kenwood TS-570S which is currently for sale on the swap net for \$475.00. Paul VA3LX asked whether the committee was in a position to recommend this purchase. Les VE3KFS said that the transceiver is for sale now and could go quickly. He added that Roy is a Club member so both benefit from this transaction; and Roy will be able to use the remote station as all his antennas are gone and he's moving to an apartment in the Spring. The motion carried.

11. Adjournment: Roy VE3VJF/Fred VE3FBG moved adjournment. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM.

The next meeting will take place Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016.

Steve Cutway VE3KC Secretary

Appendix A: FINANCIAL REPORT

Dec. 31, 2015 Opening Balance Year To Date

Cooperation Plus account	6677.62
Course 2015	750.00
Dividend Savings	24.13
Equity Shares	261.62
Total	7713.37

Income

Interest December	.06
50/50	9.50
Membership	300.00
Total	309.56

Expenditures

RAC Insurance	432.26

Closing Balance

Cooperation Plus account	6554.98
Course 2015	750.00
Dividend Savings	24.13
Equity Shares	261.62
Total	7590.73

Kingston Amateur Radio Club Year-end Financial Report Jan 01 – Dec 31, 2015

597.92

Income	
Uncategorized	271.47
50 50 Draw	29.50
Dividends	19.47
Donations	10.00
Gift Received	25.00
Interest	.58
Membership	575.00
Total Income	931.02
Expenses	
Education	195.52
Bank Fees	5.00
RAC Insurance	432.26
Software	56.49
Website	393.83
Total Expenses	1,083.10
Transfers	
Course2015	750.00
Total Transfers	750.00

Overall Total

Appendix B: VHF Net Report January 6, 2016

Thanks to the controllers who kept the VHF net alive in December 2015: Matt VA3MHB, Assaf VA3PCI, Carlyle VE3WIO, John VE3CAK and Shannon VA3XRY. Check-ins ranged from 10 to 19 and net duration ran from 16 to 39 minutes

Thanks to Frontenac Emcomm for allowing us the use of the VE3FRG repeater while the VE3KBR repeater site was under renovation. It came back Dec. 9.

In my December Net Report, I mentioned that a long time net controller, Warren VE3JPW, had moved and was off the air. As a result, he was unable to continue as a net controller until he got a station set up at his new QTH. I'm pleased to be able to report that his station is operational again so his hiatus as a net controller was short-lived.

When VE3KBR came back on the air Dec. 9, I sent a revised net control script to the controllers and to Chip for posting on the web site. A revised net control schedule for January and February as well as the revised script are in the January newsletter.

Happy New Year on behalf of everyone involved in the Kingston Amateur Radio Club Tuesday Night Net.

Steve VE3KC Net Manager

<u>AGENDA - 3 FEB 2016</u>

- 1. Members and guests introduce themselves
- 2. Additions to the agenda
- 3. Minutes of the January meeting (Steve VE3KC)
- 4. Treasurer's Report (Doug VE3FFR)
- 5. Business arising from the minutes:
 - a. 2016 Ham Course volunteer class organizer found (Paul VA3LX)
 - b. Winter social event
- 6. New Business:
 - a. Field Day (Carlyle VE3WIO)
 - b. IRLP Node relocation (Steve VE3KC)
- 7. Updates:
 - a. Remote Station Project (Chip VA3KGB, Les VE3KFS and Carlyle VE3WIO)
 - b. Net Manager (Steve VE3KC)
 - c. CFARS (Les VE3KFS)
 - d. Builders group (Peter VE3POA)
 - e. Website (Chip VA3KGB)
 - f. Freelist (Steve VE3KC)
 - g. "Hearts and Flowers"
 - h. Community acknowledgments
 - i. Other updates
- 8. Haves and wants
- 9. Date of next meeting: March 2, 2016
- 10. 50/50 Draw
- 11. Adjournment

Presentation: Carlyle VE3WIO - Near Vertical Incident Skywave:

- Discussion of NVIS
- Building an NVIS antenna
- Comparison of NVIS and Off Centre Feed Dipole on 80 and 40 meters

Kingston Amateur Radio Club Financial Statement

Jan 22, 2016 Opening Balance

	Opening Balance	
Cooperation Plus	2	7590.73
Dividend Savings		24.13
Equity Shares		261.62
Total		7875.98
Iviai		1013.70
	Income	
Int Jan		.06
50/50		12.00
Membership		175.00
Total		187.06
Total		107.00
	Expenditures	
Club Equip (Radio)	•	475.00
Club Equip (Computer)		400.02
Total		875.02
	Closing Balance	0,0.02
Cooperation Plus		6617.02
Dividend Savings		24.13
Equity Shares		261.62
Total		6902.77

THE KINGSTON AMATEUR NEWS

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EDITORIAL

From time to time, amateur organizations conduct training exercises to test the readiness of their members to provide communications under emergency or disaster conditions. The value of such training was borne out last November when amateur radio played an important part in the Mississauga evacuation.

But how would we in Kingston respond to a similar situation? Could we? While everyone hopes that we shall never have to, it's important to be prepared.

To this end, Training Exercise Kingston One will take place on Tuesday, June 17th, at 19:30 hours (local time) and all area amateurs are encouraged to participate. A simulated emergency will be enacted with all participants given specific tasks to perform in order to respond to that emergency. If you do not have mobile or portable 2 metre facilities, you will be paired with someone who does; giving everybody the opportunity to take part.

If you are willing and able to be a part of Training Exercise Kingston One, Tuesday, June 17th, meet on the St. Lawrence College Parking Lot at 19:30 hours (local time). There, you will be given further instructions.

It's been several years since the Kingston Amateur Radio Club conducted such an exercise and one is long over due. We urge you to participate if at all possible. After all, the next time might be for real!

HAM RADIO IS GOING TO THE DOGS!

The International Dog Show, sponsored by the Kingston and District Kennel Club, will be held at the Kingston Memorial Centre, Friday, June 20th, Saturday, June 21st and Sunday June 22nd between 09:00 and 16:00 hours (local time) each day. The Kingston Amateur Radio Club has been asked to provide communications for the show. Events will be taking place simultaneously inside the Memorial Centre and outside on the fairgrounds. A total of twelve mobile or portable stations are needed to cover six two-station shifts each approximately 3 ½ hours long. Any mutually convenient simplex frequency may be used as distance is the least of considerations.

If you are interested in volunteering 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours of your time during the morning or afternoon of Friday, June 20th, Saturday, June 21st or Sunday, June 22nd, contact Jack, VE3YC, at $\frac{389-5553}{2}$, or Colin, VE3CPK, at $\frac{389-2247}{2}$.

In return for our service, the Club will be given publicity in the Kennel Club's advertising for the show; and we may receive a financial donation.

While on the subject of providing communications for other organizations, the Cataraqui Canoe Club's annual Regatta will take place on Saturday, June 21st, between 09:00 and 16:00 hours (local time) approximately, in the inner harbour at the foot of Cataraqui Street.

Once again this year, we have been asked to help. About six stations are needed, at least three of which will be situated on boats. Like the Dog Show, distance is not a factor so any convenient simplex frequency may be used. The Cataraqui Canoe Club will provide lunch free of charge.

If you are interested in spending a day in the sunshine, either on land or water, and, at the same time, helping the Cataraqui Canoe Club with its annual Regatta--Saturday, June 21st, from approximately 09:00 to 16:00 hours (local time)--contact Jack, VE3YC, at 389-5553. You'll have a good time!

PRICE HIKE

The cost of everything is going up these days. At its April meeting, the Club asked its executive to review the present membership fee in light of your Editor's request for more money to keep the Kingston Amateur News in operation for the balance of this year. At a subsequent meeting, the Executive examined the Club's finances and recommended that if the Club is to continue on a sound financial footing, its membership fee should be increased from \$4.00 to \$8.00, effective Jan. 1st, 1981 , with the fee remaining at \$4.00 for additional family members wishing to join the Club. This recommendation was presented to the Club's May meeting which endorsed it after some discussion. Although it will cost you more next year to be a member of the Kingston Amateur Radio Club--\$8.00, plus \$4.00 per additional family member -- it's still a bargain when compared to the cost of many recreational activities these days. While this increase may seem drastic, the Club's annual membership fee has been \$4.00 for at least the past six years. Incidentally, the Club presently has \$413.69 in its coffers, of which \$51.60 is designated for the repeater fund.

SHARE THE WEALTH

Another successful Share the Wealth Draw took place at the Club's May meeting. Forty tickets were sold with another first-time participan the lucky winner. Jim Fitzpatrick, VE3HZC, took home \$10.00. His ticket was drawn by Gord, VE3CJJ. To date, the Club has netted \$57.25 from these draws. Another Fifty-Fifty Draw will be held at the Club's June meeting.

THE REPEATER REPORT

VE3KNR will not be bought by the Kingston Amateur Radio Club. The decision to purchase the repeater in the name of the Club, adopted in April, was reversed at the May meeting. Following that meeting, a list of interested individuals who would be willing to contribute to the repeater's purchase was drawn up and a meeting called for Tuesday, May 13th.

Seventeen people attended the May 13th organizational meeting of what is to be known as the KNR Group. As well as establishing a name for itself, the KNR Group elected a five-man Executive consisting of Bill Bushell, VE3DXY, President; Ron Walsh, VE3IDW, Vice-President; Bernie Burdsall, VE3NB, Secretary-Treasurer; Sherman O'Donnell, VE3IVY, Technical Officer, with Tony Kreglewski, VE3KFL, his assistant. The Group decided to sell shares in the repeater for \$25.00 each, with a maximum of fifty to be sold. Individuals may own more than one

share each, with one vote per share. Persons not wishing to invest as much as \$25.00 may contribute lesser amounts to help build up operating capital for the repeater's upkeep, but they will not have any say in decisions concerning it. The autopatch will remain open, at least for the time being, but regular users who are not shareholders, will be encouraged to make financial donations to the repeater's operation. All autopatch users, whether repeater shareholders or not, are reminded that they must identify themselves before and after using the autopatch. As soon as possible, the repeater's frequency will be changed from 146.19/146.79 to 146.46/147.06 to get rid of the annoying interference caused by the Rochester machine on 146.19/146.79. 146.46/147.06 is a primary frequency which recently became available in this area. Art, VE3AHU, will prepare a set of by-laws and regulations for discussion by the KNR Group at its next meeting early in June.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the KNR Group by purchasing one or more shares in the ownership of VE3KNR, send a cheque in the appropriate amount, (\$25.00 per share) made payable to the KNR Group, to Bernie Burdsall, VE3NB, Treasurer, KNR Group, 1254 Princess St., Apt. 20, Kingston, Ont. K7M 3C9. (Note that this is a new address as Bernie has recently moved).

THIS AND THAT

The questions posed in last month's <u>Kingston Amateur News</u> concerning a family picnic and barbecue the weekend of June 13-15, and a fall banquet, Nov. 15th, have both been answered in the affirmative. Sufficient interest in these events was indicated at the Club's May meeting to proceed with plans. Concerning the family picnic and barbecue, it will be held at Melody Lodge on Cranberry Lake, about forty-eight kilometres north of Kingston. Those with trailors wishing to, could go for the entire weekend-June 13-15-with others going up for the day on Saturday. Families will be expected to provide their own food and drink. The idea is simply to have a good time at a nice place on a pleasant June day. A map of how to get to Melody Lodge is included with this issue of the <u>Kingston Amateur News</u>. The <u>Kingston Amateur News</u> and/or Club meetings will keep you posted as to develop-ments concerning the fall banquet.

The same enthusiasm is not being shown for Field Day which is scheduled for the weekend of June 28-29. Jack, VE3YC, announced at the May meeting, that he would be unable to co-ordinate the effort after all as he has to work that weekend; although he did volunteer to help in any way he could. Wilf, VE3ICQ, offered to replace Jack as Band Captain for 80 metres. Barry, VE3IVV, is Band Captain for 10 and 15, with Tony, VE3DMS, for 20. A Band Captain is still required for 40. But interest in Field Day is low. At the Club's May meeting, only nine members indicated their willingness to participate. If there is not more interest shown in Field Day at the June meeting, it will not take place. That would be unfortunate.

Bill, VE3DXY, reports that the amateur and advanced amateur courses have concluded for this year. Congratulations to John Burleigh, VE3LXT, Nick O'Toole, VE3LXF, Clarence Shaw, VE3LXI, and Dr. Ken Wyllie, VE3LXK, who successfully tried their amateur examinations on Apr. 16th. Nick subsequently tried his advanced amateur and passed it as well! Clarence, VE3LXI, may hold the record for the least amount of time between receiving his call and getting on the air. Your Editor heard

him on VE3KER the day he visited the local DOC office to obtain a call sign. Congratulations also to John Lewis, VE3LGS, Bill Lutes, VE3KFV, Nick O'Toole, VE3LXF, Bob Stratton, VE3IWR, George Vilcini, VE3FPV, and Bill Wood, VE3HZE, who successfully tried their advanced amateur examinations on Apr. 16th. We should soon be hearing them on HF phone bands. The next set of DOC exams, originally slated for July 16th, have been rescheduled for June 18th and others from the two courses will try them at that time. We wish them the best of luck.

Bill, VE3DXY, also reports that plans for CORK '80, Aug. 23-29, are proceeding smoothly. He still requires a couple of operators for the HF station at the Olympic Site. Interested persons would not be committed to the whole week. For further information about CORK '80, contact Bill, VE3DXY, at 549-6356.

Don't forget the Central Ontario Amateur Radio Fleamarket and Computerfest, and the Chicken Junction Dinner, both in Guelph on Saturday, June 7th; and the Lake Simcoe Hamfest in Barrie, the weekend of June 13-15. Details were contained in the March issue of the Kingston Amateur News, and are available from your Editor, who also has a few maps of how to get to both hamfests.

Ontario Hamfest '80 will be held this year the weekend of July 4-6 at the Milton Fairgrounds, Milton, Ont., under the auspices of the Burlington Amateur Radio Club. It's a great opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones -- an all-round good time. Low registration fee--\$2.00 before June 15th, \$3.00 after. Hydro-serviced camp sites available on grounds for only \$5.00 for the entire weekend, (Friday noon to Sunday noon). Free coffee from the bottomless coffee pot from 5 p.m. Friday to Saturday evening. 807 garden open from noon Saturday. Recreation area at nearby school. Swimming available at Milton Municipal Pool. Numerous commercial and ham displays. Giant fleamarket-no space charge, so bring all your surplus goodies to sell. Auction late Saturday afternoon to dispose of any unsold gear left over from the fleamarket. CW Bingo--even if you don't win, it's good practise. Free prize draw tickets with hourly draws from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Super Prize draw at 5 p.m. Saturday at which you do not have to be present to win. What is it? A Ten-Tec, Omni-D, Series B, solid state HF transceiver with digital readout. A \$1,900.00 value! Super Prize tickets are \$2.00 each. Talk-in stations on 146.52 simplex and 147.81/147.21. Pre-registrations should be mailed to: Tickets, Ontario Hamfest '80, P.O. Box 836, Burlington, Ont. L7R 3Y7, with cheques made payable to Ontario Hamfest '80.

The RSO Convention will take place the weekend of Oct. 3-5 at the Prince Hotel in Toronto. A Convention registration form will be included with the August issue of the Kingston Amateur News.

Doug Pearson, VE3HTR, a former Club member known to many, is tying the nuptial knot on Saturday, July 5th, at 2 p.m., at St. Timothy's Presbyterian Church in Ottawa. Doug is presently employed as an electronics technician at Toronto International Airport where he spends most of his time maintaining radar equipment. His XYL-to-be, Valerie Edgar, who attended a Club meeting with him earlier this year, is a meteorologist with Canada's Environment Service, (the weather office) also at the Airport. Doug's best man is to be Al Ross, VE3DMR, who is also well known locally. Al now lives and works in the Ottawa area. We extend best wishes for future happiness and success to Doug and Valerie who plan to live in Bramalea in an apartment which Doug reports is in the same complex as VE3MHZ, (146.985/146.385)

one of the Toronto area repeaters. Once a ham, always a ham!

The <u>Kingston Amateur News</u> will not publish in June or July, but will recommence publication in August in time for the September meeting. In its place in June, an up-to-date list of Club members will be circulated which will include everyone who has paid his or her membership fee as of the June meeting. Please remember, if you should move, to let Steve, VE3GRS, know as soon as possible so that the mailing list for the Kingston Amateur News is kept accurate.

Steve, VE3GRS, would like to thank you for your support and kind comments since taking over the Editorship of the <u>Kingston Amateur</u>

News in December, 1979. Without your input, the task would not be worthwhile as it is time consuming--approximately twenty hours per month. Keep it coming, and have a good summer.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Kingston Amateur Radio Club will take place on Tuesday, June 3rd, 1980, at 20:00 hours (local time) in Carruthers Hall, Room 102, Queen's University. The doors will open approximately one-half hour ahead of time. This is the final meeting before the summer break so if you don't make this one, we'll see you in September. Bring money to participate in the Fifty-Fifty Draw. You could go home the lucky winner and every little bit helps these days! Plans will be finalized for the family picnic and barbecue on Saturday, June 14th at Melody Lodge on Cranberry Lake. Details will be given about Training Exercise Kingston One, Tuesday, June 17th, the Ianternational Dog Show, June 20-22, and the Cataraqui Canoe Club Regatta, Saturday, June 21st. A final decision will be made whether or not we shall hold a Field Day this year. The highlight of the meeting will be a talk by Ed Hartlin, VE3FXZ, on antennas and antenna systems for the new amateur. Above all, bring your ideas, thoughts, comments and suggestions. We look forward to seeing you.

Map to Melody Lodge on back of page.

NET CONTROL SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>		<u>ontroller</u>	
February	2	VE3KC Steve	
February	9	VE3WIO Carlyle	
February	16	VE3CAK John	
February	23	VA3XRY Shannon	
March	1	VE3JPW Warren	
March	8	VE3KC Steve	
March	15	VE3KGC Larissa	
March	22	VA3MHB Matt	
March	29	VA3PCI Assaf	

NET CONTROL SCRIPT

KARC Tuesday Night Net Control Script

Revised April 16, 2013

Good evening. This is [name and callsign], net control station for the Kingston Amateur Radio Club's Tuesday night Net.

The Kingston Amateur Radio Club Tuesday Night Net is an informal net that meets at 1930 hours every Tuesday evening on the KARC repeater, VE3KBR. We welcome participation by all amateurs.

Before continuing, is there any emergency or priority traffic? Please call now.

The purpose of the net is to take check-ins; to inform you of KARC activities; and to provide news of interest to Radio Amateurs. Information about KARC may be found on the web site (www.ve3kbr.com) or by contacting any of our club executive members.

I will take check-ins giving priority to mobiles, portables and stations checking in via EchoLink or IRLP. When checking in, please give your call sign phonetically, your name and location, and indicate whether you have any traffic or announcements for the Net.

Are there any stations using EchoLink or IRLP wishing to check in? Please call now.

Are there any mobiles or portables wishing to check in? Please call now.

Are there any base stations wishing to check in? Please call now.

Trivia Time

Here's tonight's trivia question(s).

Swap Shop

Are there any items for the swap shop?

Closing

Are there any additional check-ins or announcements before I end the Net?

That concludes this evening's Kingston Amateur Radio Club Tuesday Night Net. Thank you for participating. We had [number] check-ins this evening. 73. This is [name and callsign] returning the repeater to normal amateur use.