

Newsletter

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# Kingston Amateur Radio Club 2007 Executive

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146.94(-) MHz

The 2nd Repeater is now  
Operational  
147.090(+) MHz

Kingston Amateur News

# WELCOME

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**From the Editor:**

Well, here we are again, beginning another season of The Kingston Amateur Radio Club. I hope you all had a great summer. I am going to be asking for your help in receiving articles and notes of interest for your newsletter. And it is **YOUR** newsletter, and a darn good one because you make it good, so please send me articles, notes and pictures. I'll use them in an appropriate way for the month they seem to fit. The articles on CFS Alert were perfect to fill six newsletters. Now it's time for something else. Thanks again to those who sent me notes and articles to use as fillers for the first half of this year. All the best in the coming months. (ED.)

Every **TUESDAY** at 7:30 p.m. **K.A.R.C. Net VE3KBR**

**SCHEDULE OF NET CONTROL STATIONS:**

**SEPTEMBER**

Sept 4 VE3CLQ  
Sept 11 VE3JPW  
Sept 18 VE3VJF  
Sept 25 VE3NFU

**OCTOBER**

Oct 2 VE3CAK  
Oct 9 VE3MUD  
Oct 16 VE3CLQ  
Oct 23 VE3JPW  
Oct 30 VE3VJF

**NOVEMBER**

Nov 6 VE3NFU  
Nov 13 VE3CAK  
Nov 20 VE3MUD  
Nov 27 VE3CLQ

We could use a few more volunteers to man the Net Control. At least three more stations would help lighten the load. Please consider sitting in. Thanks, Bill, VE3CLQ.

If there are any conflicts in the schedule please contact Bill at [ve3clq@rac.ca](mailto:ve3clq@rac.ca) and we'll juggle a few things.

The net script has been posted on the Website

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Every **Saturday** - Breakfast at Smitty's. Starts at 8:00 a.m. but come early, chat and mingle.



The Third **MONDAY**, of every month, at 7:00 p.m. is the A.R.E.S. REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING at the Woodbine Firehall, second floor.

There is a now a repeater, VA3FOY 147.285(+) at Bancroft. Licensee is Doug Peckhover

**KARC Web page designed and maintained by:**

**VA3KGB, Chip**

<http://www.ve3kbr.com/>

Publication Schedule of the KARC Newsletter will be September **26**, 2007

**COMING EVENTS:** (PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN TO ATTEND)



**KINGSTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
HAM FLEAMARKET 2007  
KINGSTON, ONTARIO**

**Date: Saturday Sept. 15, 2007**

**Location:** Drill Hall Alpha, Vimy Barracks, CFB Kingston  
(Hall Alpha is located at the back of the Forde Building)

East of Kingston on Hwy #2

South of the Communications Museum

Talk in will be on the VE3KBR repeater, 146.940 (-)

**Opening times:** Vendors (for setup): 7:00 a.m.

**Doors open at:** 9:00 a.m.

**Cost:** \$10.00 per table (includes admission fee)  
**(Please make all requests for tables via email: [ve3ffr@sympatico.ca](mailto:ve3ffr@sympatico.ca))**

**Admission:** \$5.00

There will be Door Prizes as well as a 50/50 Draw

Tables or other information is available by sending an email to:

[ve3ffr@sympatico.ca](mailto:ve3ffr@sympatico.ca)

A map of directions will be placed on the Club Web Site:

[www.ve3kbr.com](http://www.ve3kbr.com)

Doug, VE3FFR

**The Club had many activities this summer and good participation. ....**

## **KINGSTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB FIELD DAY, 2007**

From VE3CLQ, Bill

Field Day 2007 was another great success for us. 600 contacts in a 24-hour period, but we didn't operate round the clock, we took a four-hour break. Attendance was pretty good this year.

We used the two dipoles we built last year. The first one was a multiband fan-dipole built for 80 - 40 - 20; this was strung up at about 60' on a north/south axis, and it works just beautifully. The second dipole we built was also a multiband fan-dipole built for 40 - 20, this was strung up at about 50' also on a north/south axis, at the other end of the field. We also used two army surplus 32-foot collapsible antennas, these work very well on 40 and 15 metres.

VE3CAK built a 40 - 20 fan dipole for CW use, and use that from his tent all weekend. VE3SIQ and VE3BLR decided late Saturday night that we needed another 20 metre dipole, and built and strung it up in the dark. We also built a 10 - 15 fan dipole, but it was not very successful as those bands were dead the whole weekend.

VE3NWV built a NVIS antenna for 20 metre from scrap wire, erected it about 3 feet off of the ground and made a contact with a station in Tennessee on his very first CQ call!

We operated as a "7A" station. VE3KFS and VE3CAK operated CW all weekend (VE3GO joined them for a while on Saturday afternoon) and amassed a good collection of points between them. The rest of us operated SSB, which was, at times, a nightmare due to tuns of QRM. VA3ZE operated PSK31.

Many thanks to Don - VE3MNE - for hosting the event at his cottage....again, and thanks to VA3ZE, VE3BLR, VE3CLQ, VE3SIQ, VE3PRW, VE3NWV, VA3ECB, VE3KFS, VE3GO and VE3CAK for attending and operating those long hours. Thanks also to VA3BWR, VE3GJA and VE3RPF for visiting us on site.

## The Sky is The Limit Festival, July 7, 2007

From VE3FFR, Doug

Saturday, started out like any other day. The sky was clear and blue; the sun was bright and hot. All in all, a good day for some fun in the park.

VA3KGB Chip and VE3KFS Les were already at the park waiting for me, VE3FFR Doug. I had the ropes that would hold the 40m/80m dipole for HF operations. I had to return home for a few minutes, as I forgot to put one item I desperately needed for the VHF antennae. Shortly after my return, VA3GST John and VE3RPF Rob with his wife, Christine arrived.

Kudos' for Rob, for coming out to help, after having serious surgery earlier in the week, and brought his still in the box FT-480, for our viewing. NICE TOY!!!!

Les setup his Ft-897 connected to an SES Tnc and laptop for demonstrating WinLink. I connected my laptop to a Kantronics Kam Tnc with a Motorola mobile for an APRS demo. However, due to technical difficulties, I was unable to get the blasted thing to work, (serial port conflict).

John brought his Ten Tec Scout for some CW/Phone ops. However, conditions were not favorable.

Other members from the amateur community arrived off and on throughout the morning. They were as follows: VA3TRM, VE3GJA, VE3JCQ, VE3UIN and Vic, an SWL'r and soon to be a licensed amateur.

All was going well till just shortly after 1300hrs, when a very large black cloud was coming in from the north. A decision was made to stow the equipment in the event of a cloud burst. Good thing we did, because the sky's opened up for about 30 mins. We then took down the dipole, cleaned up the area and waited for about another 30 mins at which time, Les, Rob and John departed. I myself, left around 1445 hrs while everyone in the area was occupied on staying dry. I would like to **THANK** all who participated and attended this year's Festival.



John VE3GST, Doug VE3FFR, and Les VE3KFS at the 2007 The Sky's the Limit

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**Kingston Amateur Radio Club Inc.**

**As of August 01, 2007**

**For the period – May 22, 2007 to July 31, 2007**

**Balance at May 22, 2007** **\$4043.54**

<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>	
	<b>50/50 DRAW AND DONATION</b>	<b>\$ 22.00</b>	
	<b>HAT SALE (final transaction)</b>	<b>\$ 10.80</b>	
	<b>DONATION – RACAL PROJECT</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	
	<b>STALE DATED CHEQUE #24 B.A.R.C</b>	<b><u>\$ 150.00</u></b>	
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 292.80</b>	<b>\$ 292.80</b>

<b><u>Expenses</u></b>	<b>MEAL EXPENSES for BARRY VE3BSB</b>	<b>\$ 22.00</b>	
	<b>INTERNET ACCESS FOR CLUB PAGE</b>	<b>\$ 149.40</b>	
	<b>CLUB PICNIC ADVANCE TO CHIP</b>	<b><u>\$ 150.00</u></b>	
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 321.40</b>	<b><u>\$ 321.40</u></b>

**Balance at August 1, 2007** **\$4014.94**

### **FINANCIAL ASSETS**

<b>KCCU ACCOUNT</b>	<b>\$4014.94</b>
<b>DIVIDEND SAVINGS</b>	<b>\$ 17.97</b>
<b>KCCU SHARES</b>	<b><u>\$ 150.00</u></b>

**TOTAL CLUB ASSETS** **\$4182.91**

George Kennedy, Treasurer, KARC

August 20, 2007

# **KARC AGENDA**

Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007

**At Smitty's Restaurant, back room**

**7:00 p.m.**

- 1. Introduction of members**
- 2. Additions and/or deletions**
- 3. Minutes of Monthly Meeting:** Errors/Omissions
- 4. Treasurer's Report**
- 5. Old Business**
- 6. 50/50 Draw**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Reports:**
  - a) RAC
  - b) Net Manager - VE3KFS
  - c) KARC Newsletter
  - d) Web page - VA3KGB
  - e) KARC Fleamarket
  - f) Any other reports
- 9. Adjournment**



# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE KINGSTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

HELD on **June 6, 2007**

At SMITTY'S RESTAURANT, PRINCESS ST.

Steve, VE3KC, opened the meeting at 7PM.

## **1. All members were introduced.**

Steve amended the agenda to reflect that Tom, VA3ZE has had surgery and cannot make the presentation tonight.

Kerr, VE3KDM moved that the agenda be adopted, seconded by Rob, VE3RPF; carried.

**2. MINUTES:** Moved by Bill, VA3OL, that the minutes of the May meeting be accepted and seconded by Michael, VE3PRW.....carried

**3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Presented by George, VE3GHK. Moved by VE3GHK that the treasurer's report be accepted. Seconded by Bruce, VE3GJA.... carried

## **4. OLD BUSINESS**

a) Harold, VE3BPM, spoke to the group about the Shriner's parade and he could use one or two more hams. He will email out a message on Friday night with the final details.

b) The Sky's the Limit will be held on July 7th. Setup will be at 7:30. See Doug, VE3FFR for information on how you can help out.

c) Field Day will be held at Don, VE3MNE's cottage. Please contact Don if you are planning to attend so that food and an operating position can be arranged.

d) The club picnic will be held on July 22nd. It will be held at Chip's, VA3KGB, and a note will go out to the e-list reminding everyone.

e) 50/50 Draw won by Kerr, VE3KDM - \$11.00

## **5: NEW BUSINESS**

1. Doug, VE3FFR moved that \$150 be appropriated for the club picnic; seconded by George, VE3GHK; carried.
2. We are currently without a vice president due to Les, VE3KFS, assuming the president's position. Rob, VE3RPF, volunteered to fill the vice-president's position until the end of the term.

## **6: REPORTS:**

- a) RAC: Nil report
- b) NET MANAGER: There were 22 checkins last week. If there doesn't seem to be a net controller please step in and run the net. If you would like to use the 'Net Script' it is available on the VE3KBR website.
- c) IRLP: No report
- d) KARC NEWSLETTER: Keep the articles and information coming in to Joan. The KARC Newsletter is one of the best newsletters in Ontario. Let's keep it that way! Send Joan your articles and news items.
- e) Webpages: Chip reported that last year the webpages were viewed 259,000 times! There were 7 gig of downloads. Remember: Chip is always looking for errors, deadlinks, articles and photos.
- f) Flea Market: Doug reported that there have been 17 tables spoken for and 3 commercial vendors. If you want a table email Doug, VE3FFR.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 7:40 from the business portion of the meeting.

Bill Rumball, VA3OL  
Secretary KARC