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NEXT CLUB MEETING

Mar 6, 7:00 p.m. (Wednesday)

MEETING PLACE: Smitty's

2376 Princess (next door to Chapters)
Come in early and have supper.

GUEST SPEAKER: Time to vote for "New Repeater Project"



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President's Notes

On March 6th, at the regular General Meeting, we will be voting on the "Repeater Project". VE3KFS Les Lindstrom gave a presentation on this project at the February meeting. To make your voice heard, please vote!! (Secret ballot vote.) This Newsletter contains a ballot for your vote.

You have two choices:

- 1) Complete the ballot and mail it to K.A.R.C.
(K.A.R.C., P.O. Box 1402, Kingston, ON, K7L 5C6)
- 2) Bring your ballot to the March meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: NO E-MAIL VOTES OR COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

VE3VJF Roy

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ARES MEETING

The next regular ARES meeting will be on Monday 18 March 2002 at Kingston West Fire Hall, Woodbine and Bayridge roads at 19:00 hrs. Visitors are always welcome!

Visit our site at: <http://www.qsl.net/kingstonares/index.html>

The ARES web site is maintained by VA3KDH, Kim

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE KINGSTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
HELD ON FEBRUARY 06, 2002
AT SMITTY'S**

Starts the meeting: VE3VJF, Roy started the meeting at 19:00 hrs

Attendance: 24

Minutes of the January meeting: Moved by VA3KGB and second by VE3KBN that the minutes be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Repeater Project: Les VE3KFS gave a power point presentation on what is involved with the repeater project. A discussion was held after the presentation with a reminder from Roy about the ballot vote taking place next meeting.

Treasurer's report: Moved by VE3KBN and second by VE3KFS that the report give in the newsletter by adopted as printed. Motion carried.

New Business:

Cubbery: Mike VE3BGP reported that this event would take place Saturday May 11 between 10am and 4pm, at Lamoines Point. A more detailed report to be given later when more information is available.

GOTA: Mike VE3BGP reported that KARC involvement with this event was canceled due to the C&E museum being closed on that day.

Picnic: Suggested that this event be a joint KARC/ARES occasion held possibly in July at Lamoines Point. A chairperson is needed to organize this.

Bernard VE3NB made an announcement about DARF (the Defence of Amateur Radio Fund); a motion to make a donation was made but tabled to next meeting.

50/50 DRAW was won by: Ron, VE3RBI

Old Business:

St. Mary's: Ron VE3GO reported that the Hospital does not want the station on site; it is no longer providing a service to the patients. The antennae's must come down as well. What to do with equipment as not been decided as of yet. A discussion on what to do with the equipment was held.

HMCS Gatineau: Ron VE3GO reported that a meeting with Ross Cameron was held and the go ahead has been given. The tiny track is ready and a solar panel is needed. Onboard operations when the ship arrives will be permitted with possible SSTV to Web site activity. Permission to use City logo has been given. Expenses for this endeavourer are low. Special event callsign is still in the works. Further report to be given at next meeting.

VA3OR, Kevin moved that a sum not to exceed \$500 for QSL cards and other expenses for the HMCS Gatineau event be authorized. Seconded by VE3KFS. Carried.

Field day: Bob, VE3GLO reported that he has gotten two responses back; 1 yes and 1 no. Further plans to go head with field day are pending at this time

REPORTS:

RAC: Ron VE3GO made a report on a forum on 40 meters.

VE3KFS: Les reported that the vhf to hf (145.070 to 14.105) gate of VE3JCQ's is working well. IRLP nodes now stand at 338 and growing. Node 275 is sounding good and club generator will be used to supply power to John's store when work to the power grid begins. The 2m net is running well and the ncs will be rotated on the last Wednesday.

KARC Newsletter: Mike would like more input please.

KARC Webpage: Chip reports that updates will be done in coming weeks.

A card was sent to Drew VE3UIN in regrets of his father passing away.

Kim VE3KDH passed out membership forms and noted that they will be good until August 2002 when new ones will be made.

Moved by VA3KGB that the meeting be adjourned at 20:37. Carried.

Brian Allen
VA3HAW
KARC Secretary

Foxhunting enthusiast

For all the foxhunting enthusiasts out there, this is to let you know of The First Annual "Tour of the County" multi transmitter foxhunt to be held in Prince Edward County on Saturday May 11 starting at 12 Noon.

Full details at: <http://www.garc.on.ca/countryfox.html>

Hope to see you there!

73, Tim VE3UO

Trivia from one of our member

This year, 2002, will be the 47th year that I have been a continuous member of the Kingston Amateur Radio Club, joining a small group of Amateurs who met in member's homes. Buster Doubleday VE3NF, who was the DOC Chief Inspector for this area, introduced me to the group.

There has been a lot of R.F. up the old transmission lines since those days.

Long lives Kingston Amateur Radio Club.

Bernard H. Burdsall VE3NB (ex G2DKW, VE3BEO).

Congratulation Bernard and many more

Some reasons why English language is so hard to Master:

1. The bandage was wound around the wound.
2. The farm was used to produce produce.
3. The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
4. We must polish the Polish furniture.
5. He could lead if he would get the lead out.
6. The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
7. Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
8. A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
9. When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
10. I did not object to the object.
11. The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
12. There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
13. They were too close to the door to close it.
14. The buck does funny things when the does are present.
15. A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
16. To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
17. The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
18. After a number of injections my jaw got number.
19. Upon seeing the tear in my painting I shed a tear.
20. I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
21. How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?

English is a crazy language. There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins were not invented in England nor French fries in France. Sweetmeats are candies while sweetbreads. Which are not sweet, are meat.

We take English for granted. But if we explore its paradoxes. We find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square and guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor it is a pig. And why is it that writers write but fingers don't fing, do not groce and hammers do not ham? If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth beeth? One goose, 2 geese. So one moose 2meese? One index, 2 indices? Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend? If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

If teachers taught, why didn't preacher's praught? If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Sometimes I think all the English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane. In what language do people recite at a play and play recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and that smell? How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out and in which, an alarm goes off by going on.

People, not computers invented English, and it reflects the creativity of the humane race, which of course, is not a race at all. That is why, when the stars are out, they are visible, but when the lights are out they are visible.

PS: Why 'Buick' rhymes with 'quick'?

If you have any of these you would like to share with others let me know, there is always room in the Newsletter

VOTING BALLOT NEW REPEATER PROJECT
YES
NO
RETURN TO: P.O. BOX 1402, KINGSTON, ONTARIO, K7L 5C6 / or bring it in person at the March 2002 meeting / E-mail ballot will not be accepted