

Quinte 'QRM'

Newsletter of the Quinte Amateur Radio Club, Inc.
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NOTICE OF MEETING:

DATE / TIME: Monday, June 16, 2025 at **6:30 PM**

LOCATION: RCSCC Quinte Sea Cadet Building
16 South Front St, Belleville

PROGRAM: 8th Annual **Trunk Sale** to be held in the parking lot on the south side of the building. Please park in this lot only if you have items to sell. Same rules as always - if your item(s) do not sell, please do not leave anything behind.

In the event of inclement weather, this event will not be moved indoors, but there will be a short meeting indoors to provide updates on current events. **This meeting will not be streamed on ZOOM.**

VE3QAR Belleville: 146.865 MHz (91.5 Hz/118.8 Hz) AllStar Node 547331	VE3BEL: 444.475 Mhz (118.8 Hz) WIRES-X Node ID: 30589 - Room ID: 40589
VE3TJU Picton (Base31): 146.73 MHz (118.8 Hz) AllStar Node 51001 (Echolink 636917)	VA3PEC Picton (Base31): 443.3 MHz (under construction)
VE3KFR Campbellford: 145.33 MHz/442.9 (162.2 Hz) AllStar Node 42620 (Echolink 238523)	VE3RTR Cobourg (Rice Lake): 145.15 / 444.975 (162.2 Hz) AllStar Node 57819
Monthly Meetings: Third Monday @ 7:00 PM RCSCC Quinte Sea Cadet building, 16 S.Front St	Hams 'n Eggs: Saturdays @ 8:00 AM Quinte Restaurant, 135 Cannifton Rd, Belleville
Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) www.rac.ca 720 Belfast Road, Suite 217, Ottawa, ON K1G 0Z5 E-mail: rachq@rac.ca Phone: 613-244-4367 or 1-877-273-8304	Amateur Radio Service Centre www.ic.gc.ca/callsign 2 Queen Street E, Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 1Y3 E-mail: ic.spectrumamateur-spectreamateur.ic@canada.ca Phone: 1-888-780-3333 Fax: 705-941-4607
QARC Members Group: https://qarc.groups.io/g/main - Post to the group: main@qarc.groups.io	

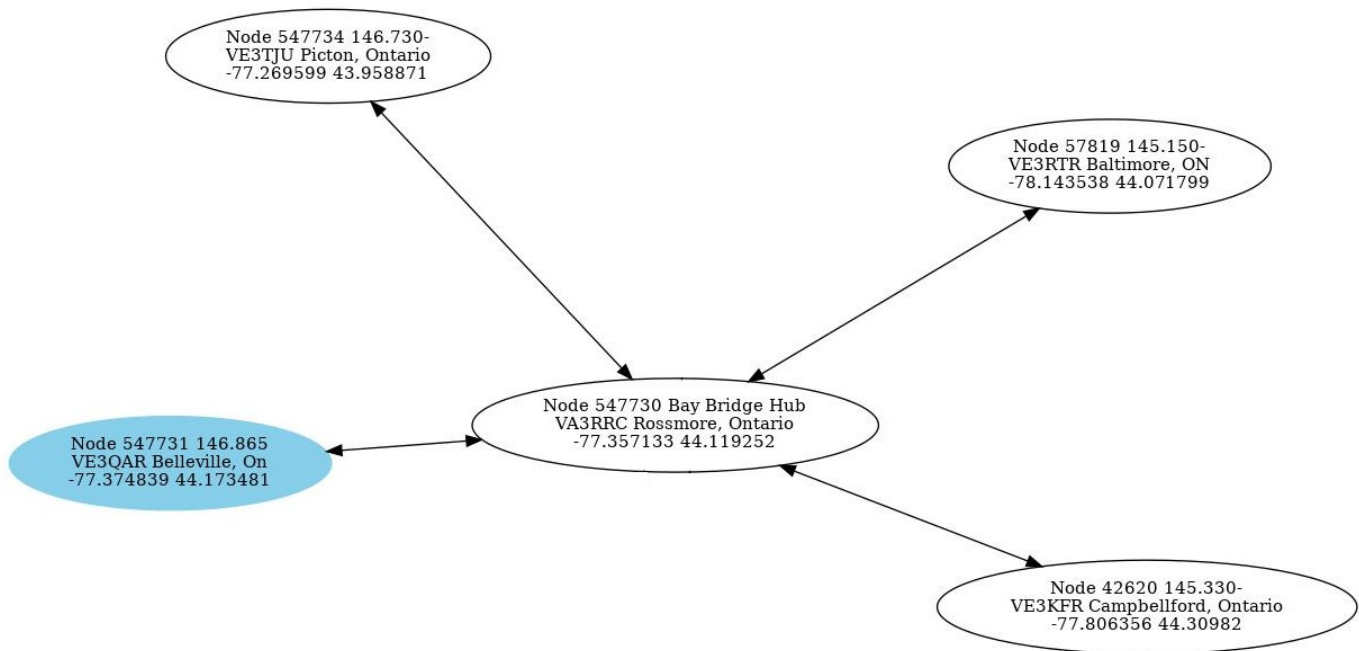
QARC Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1543235506633198>

QARC DIRECTORS 2024 - 2025

President	Dave Ackerman	VE3OX	ve3ugt@myrac.ca
Vice President	Matthew Dwight	VE3FL	matthew@mdwright.com
Secretary	Dennis Kinnear	VA3DWK	va3dwk@gmail.com
Treasurer	Attila Kostya	VE3KAS	ve3kas@gmail.com
Director at Large	Cameron Hall	VE3GVG	hall.f.cameron@gmail.com

Appointed Positions:

Past President & 'QRM' Editor	Tim Pekkonen	VE3UO	ve3uo@myrac.ca
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AllStarLink - Bubble Chart

VA3RRC AllStar Node #547730

VA3RRC-L Echolink Node #747943

QARC Executive 2025-2026

July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026.

President	Dave Ackerman	VE3OX	ve3ugt@myrac.ca
Vice-President	Dennis Kinnear	VA3DWK	va3dwk@gmail.com
Secretary	Sean Scally	VA3BZC	soscally@gmail.com
Treasurer	Attila Kostya	VE3KAS	ve3kas@gmail.com
Director At Large	Bob Williams	VA3NGE	va3nge@gmail.com

Minutes of QARC Meeting - May 19, 2025

The meeting was brought to order by club President Dave Ackerman VE3OX.

Silent Keys: **Brian Williams VA3BRW** made a Brief tribute to Kok Chen **W7AY** who, among other things, developed and maintained digital software for the Apple Macintosh platform. He passed away on April 23, 2025 after suffering a stroke. Thank you for your words Brian.

A **motion** to accept the Minutes as published in the newsletter of the April meeting was made by **Dennis VA3DWK** and seconded by **Brad VA3CBU**. The motion was carried.

A **motion** to accept the Treasurer's report as presented to the members was made by **Attila VE3KAS** and seconded by **Peter VE3UR**. The motion was carried. Attila reports that the club is now 92 members strong.

Dave VE3OX welcomed members and **guests** and in particular **Robert Tofflemire VE3DOI** attending his first in person meeting and **Chris Wiesner VA3SM** who makes the trek from the Campbellford area occasionally.

Dave VE3OX turned the meeting over to **Tim VE3UO** to preside over the **annual election of officers**. Tim reports that he received one email of someone volunteering to serve on the executive and someone else agreed to serve in person.

Tim VE3UO announced the candidates as follows:

President: Dave Ackerman VE3OX;	Vice President: Dennis Kinnear VA3DWK;
Secretary: Sean Scally VA3BZC;	Treasurer: Attila Kostya VE3KAS;
	Director at Large: Bob Williams VA3NGE

Tim asked three times if anyone else would stand for any of the five positions with no one stepping forward . Tim **acclaimed the five as the officers** for 2025/2026. Tim also thanked **Cameron Hall VE3GVG** for serving as director at large and **Matthew Dwight VE3FL** for serving as Vice President. Both are stepping back from the Executive.

Dave VE3OX Showed the members a **Kenwood D710** dual band transceiver that has been donated by **Sandra Campbell VE3HON** to the club. The radio will be offered for auction to end at the Junk in the Trunk meeting on June 16.

Matthew VE3FL is looking for 3 or 4 volunteers to help out with radio communications for the **County Kids of Steel** event on **Sunday June 8**. Please contact Matthew directly if you can help out.

Dave VE3OX reports that the car club property is booked for Field Day and will be the usual setup. It has been suggested that we either do a BBQ or pizza Saturday evening. **Dennis VA3DWK** said he will organize this for Field Day.

Dave VE3OX reports that this year's **Field Day T-shirts** have been ordered and are the same price as last year. Dave also reports the this year's Buffalo's on the Air will be the same format as last year . This year's Callsign is **VE3BUFFT**. Dave made a **motion** to pay the \$60 fee to ISED for the special event callsign and it was seconded by **Don VE3LYX**. The motion was carried.

Dave VE3OX informed us that the **annual PERC picnic** is planned for **August 16, 2025** from 2:00 PM until ? **Betsy VE3SQG** has offered to host the event again. In the past PERC paid for the hot-dogs and hamburgers. Salads and desserts are pot luck. Dave VE3OX made a **motion** that the cost be covered by the club which is around \$200 and it was seconded by Matthew VE3FL. The motion carried.

Dave VE3OX reports that the **VE3BEL** UHF Fusion repeater (444.475 MHz) is back at his place and is digital only. And seems to be working ok now.

The VHF repeater **VE3QAR** (146.865 MHz) has been switched to dual split tone and seems to be performing better. (**91.5hz** input tone; **118.8hz** output tone)

Dave VE3OX made a **motion** that we pay the annual **Zoom fee** of \$215 and it was seconded by Brian VA3BRW. Dave also made a **motion** that we make the same donation as last year for AllStar of \$35 and it was seconded by Jim VE3VDQ. Both motions were carried.

There is no formal meeting in June but there is our annual Junk in the Truck event outside at the Sea Cadet Hall starting one half hour earlier at 6:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned.

Members in Attendance:

Dennis VA3DWK,	Bob VA3SLO,	Tim VE3UO,	Peter VE3UR,
Hans VE3OR,	Eric VE3GSI,	Marlene VE3HBR,	Daryl VA3UAP,
Bob VA3NGE,	Attila VE3KAS,	Lee VA3LHM,	George VA3XMG,
John VE3IIT,	Robert VE3DOI,	Brian VA3BRW,	Jeff VE3OWT,
Bob VE3QWB,	Jim VE3VDQ,	Sean VA3BZC,	Don VE3LYX,
Blair VE3BCA,	Don VE3UHO,	Chris VA3SM,	Gary VE3JGK,
Brad VA3CBU,	Chris VE3CDC,	Cameron VE3GVG,	Matthew VE3FL
Dave VE3OX.	<u>Via Zoom:</u>	Phil VA3EFX,	Al VE3FZ

Minutes taken by: Dennis Kinnear VA3DWK va3dwk@gmail.com

Silent Auction Item

The Club is offering via Silent Auction a **Kenwood TM-D710A** Dual Band Transceiver from the estate of Glen Campbell VE3CJG. Dave VE3OX has loaded in the frequencies from his own D710A and tested Glen's radio. The Silent Auction will conclude at this month's Trunk Sale meeting.

Silent Key - Douglas Pitt VE3DPP

Doug Pitt VE3DPP passed away February 21, 2025. He was a lifelong County resident, and retired from the Picton Cement plant. He was also an original member of the Prince Edward Radio Club when it was formed in 1986, and a QARC member before then.

<https://www.pictongazette.ca/obituaries/douglas-george-pitt>

Membership Dues Reminder 2025-26

Our Treasurer **Attila VE3KAS** has sent out reminders of Club Dues to be paid for the next financial year **July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026**. The dues are \$20 for members of Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) and \$30 for non-members of RAC. There are no additional fees for licensed Amateurs in the same household. Please contact Attila VE3KAS at ve3kas@gmail.com if you have any questions.

LET'S IGNITE THE AIRWAVES: VHF ACTIVITY DAY ON JUNE 15

Join us and celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Ontario VHF Association <https://ovhfa.org/OVHFA/index.html> , by making lots of contacts on 50 mHz and up.

Amateurs across Ontario and adjacent US states will be activating non-repeater FM frequencies en masse, on **Sunday, June 15th** . Plan now to join in the fun. Start making plans now and help us spread the word! Whether you activate a park or summit for POTA or SOTA, participate in the ARRL June VHF Contest, or make contacts from your HT at home, the goal is to make short and sweet contacts with lots of people. You can even make contact with the same station on as many bands as possible.

What you can do now:

Mark **Sunday June 15th** on your calendar, Program the common VHF and UHF FM simplex frequencies into your radios. Spread the word.

That's all for now. More information will be shared in the upcoming weeks leading up to VHF FM Activity Day!

For more information, contact Chris VE3RWJ at ve3rwj@winsystem.org



QARC Summer Calendar

June 28 & 29: ARRL Field Day will be at the Prince Edward Car Club, 800 Whitney Road, Ameliasburgh. As in past years we will head out after breakfast Saturday morning to begin setting up. The 24 hour operating period starts at 2:00 PM local time. <https://www.arrl.org/field-day>

Saturday August 9: Buffalo Aircraft on the Air. Details are still be worked out as the newsletter is bring issued. We hope to set up at the National Air Force Museum of Canada, 220 RCAF Road, Trenton. Watch your email inbox as we get closer to the date for operating details.

Saturday August 16: PERC 'Legacy' Summer Picnic at the home of Betsy Sinclair, VE3SQG, 74 Consecon St, in Wellington from 2:00 PM until ??? QARC will provide hamburgers, hotdogs & Soft drinks, otherwise BYOB and lawnchairs.

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2025 Hamfests & Fleamarkets

Saturday June 21 -	Rochester NY Hamfest https://rochesterham.org/hamfest.htm
Saturday July 12 -	51 st Annual Ontario Hamfest @ Milton ON Fairgrounds https://hambone.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2394
Saturday August 16 -	Parry Sound (ON) Hamfest https://hambone.ca/rac/events/detail.php?event_ID=2393
Saturday Sept 6 -	Ottawa (Carp) Hamfest, Carp Fairgrounds, Ottawa https://oarc.net/2025-09-06-oarc-carp-hamfest/
Saturday Sept 27 -	Eastern Ontario Hamfest, St Albert, ON https://eohamfest.com/
Saturday October 18 -	Kingston Fall Hamfest 734 Montreal St, Kingston, Ontario https://www.ontars.com/2025_fests/kingston_ARC.jpg

For more information on these and other hamfests/fleamarkets, see:

<https://hambone.ca/rac/events/upcoming.php> & <https://www.ontars.com/>

QARC Financial Report

As of May 19, 2025

Revenue

	<i>Balance</i>
Membership Dues	\$820.00
Donation to Club	\$35.00
Draw	\$55.00
Coffee @ meeting	
Sale of Club Equipment	
PERC Melding with QARC	

Total Revenue	\$910.00
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Expenses

Bank Fees	\$1.50
Incorporation Annual Fees	
RAC Insurance	
QARC Domain Fees	
Zoom Annual Fees	
PO Box Annual Fees	
Office Expenses	
Coffee suplies for meeting	\$146.81
New Laptop for repeater	\$224.87

Total Expenses	\$373.18
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Net Revenue	\$536.82
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Club Membership

Paid up members - Individual	70
Family	6
Life Members - Individual	8
Family	1
TOTAL active MEMBERS	92

Financial Assets

	<i>Balance</i>
BMO Chequing Account	
Closing Balance - 21 Apr,2025	\$7,052.35
Credit	\$910.00
Debit	\$373.18
Closing Balance - 19 May,2025	\$7,589.17

Petty Cash

Closing Balance - 21 Apr,2025	\$26.00
Deposits	
Expenses	
Closing Balance - 19 May,2025	\$26.00

Total Revenue	\$7,615.17
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Nov to Dec - Account Activity	\$536.82
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Inventory Assets

Opening Balance	\$6,197.58
New Aquisition	\$224.87
Disposed Assets	
Depreciation 20% from 2024	
Total Assets Current Worth	\$6,422.45

Total Equity	\$14,037.62
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Outsatnding Check 336 - Coffee supply: \$146.81

Treasurer report
Prepared by
Attila S. Kostya
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