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John VA3JHD



President's Message

Much to report this newsletter! The club is pleased to report that a fund raiser to install a new ICOM IC-7300 at the War Plane Museum was well supported by our membership. We are over the top and any additional funds will go directly to the general operating funds. Thank you to all that donated.

Special thank you to Gary VE3TTO and Barry VE3ISX and crew for the pull down of the El Mirador Club repeater station and subsequent move to our new site at the Hamilton Port Authority.

Our new site is fully operational on VHF and UHF as of today. Please note we have repositioned the VHF antenna and Mardy VE3QEE is now able to run the Monday night VHF net! We are planning added features to our machines such as IRLP. Currently the repeaters are not linked due to lack of various club owned software...but we are working on it.

Please welcome our new secretary, William VE3IUUK as our new secretary. We thank Mike Krebs for all his efforts and will rely on him as a valuable resource as we go forward with the rebirth of this club.

A reminder from our membership group that 31st August is the time for your renewal. You can E Trans directly to treasurer@hamiltonarc.com with your payment or personal cheque. As an incentive, one lucky renewal will receive their membership for FREE ! Support the club with your membership.
Murray Thompson, VE3ZPV

President Hamilton Amateur Radio Club

Repeater News Update:

As mentioned, the club has moved our repeater site to the Hamilton Port Authority location at James St. North and Burlington Street.



El Mirador pull down 3rd July 2023
Thanks to club members:
Paul VE3JXQ, John VE3XBF,
Parker VA3WPS, Gary VE3TTO,
Barry VE3ISX, Mardy VE3QEE,
Murray VE3ZPV, and John VA3JHD
finishing the pullout at the old site.





Our new site is managed by Peter VE3XLQ and we are grateful for his assistance in helping us move to the new location. James Street North at Burlington Street.



Peter VE3XLQ with Murray VE3ZPV at our new site.



Our Icom VHF repeater installed in the rack with the 35 amp Astron Power supply.

 Looking to join the club?
Renew your membership
On line with Pay Pal or E Transfer 



Easily renew or join ONLINE:
Our online membership application is updated with the 2023 dues schedule. You can renew with E-Trans Cheque or cash. No change in pricing!! Your 2024 membership card will be mailed to you upon receiving your payment.

**Membership C/O Hamilton Amateur Radio Club
117-350 King St. East
P.O. Box 75073 Hamilton, ON,
L8N 4G6**

- 2023-2024 membership
 - \$35.00/yr if you are a RAC member
 - \$48.000/yr for non RAC members.
 - Family membership \$10.00/yr RAC
 - Family membership \$23.00/yr non RAC
 - Distance membership\$20 with RAC
 - Distance membership.....\$35 non RAC
- Current Members: **60**

The club will send out a renewal reminder in August 2023 for your 2024 membership. Our membership rate has NOT CHANGED.

A reminder that 31st August 2023 is your date for membership renewal. Get into the contest for FREE membership today by filling out the membership form below.

 **NEW!** **Membership form !**
* Fill it in "online"
* Save it
* Email it back 

Complete the membership form and you can pay with E-Transfer to: treasurer@hamiltonarc.com

Club Financial Report:

The Club is financially in good shape, despite purchases for the VHF duplexer and cable expenses.

Club HF net summary



MONDAY HF:

TIME: 8:00 PM till 9:00PM

3.693 MHz LSB starts at 8am till 9 am.

28.485 Mhz USB starts 9pm for a Rag Chew, but Not a formal net, just for fun...till 10pm. All are welcome.

MONDAY VHF & UHF:

TIME: 7:PM till 8PM

Club Repeaters:

146.760MHz (-600) tone 131.8

444.075MHz (+5Mhz) tone 131.8

Please note the repeaters are operating currently as stand alone stations. Additional IRLP options are on the drawing board due to the current age of the controller and computer equipment. Original software was not available during the move. In that the site is below the mountain, coverage has changed dramatically, but the VHF antenna has been repositioned to cover such areas as Ancaster.



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Special Events 2023


Hamilton Amateur Radio Club

Club members John VE3XBF and Spencer VA3SPN

Photo story presentation

Valens Cons Area June 24th, 2024

Photos courtesy of Peter VE3ZFZ



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Field Day 2023 saw a couple of intrepid amateur radio operators set up camp and radios in Valens Park located north of Hamilton.

John VE3XBF and Spencer VA3SPN managed to get their long wire antennas launched high into the trees and camping gear set up just before the clouds opened up deluging the site with significant amounts of water.

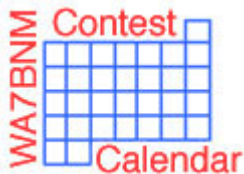
The shelter was a bit “leaky” but thanks to Spencer’s foresight, a very large tarp was installed over the shelter protecting their radios and gear.

By then their clothing and bodies were thoroughly dampened but not their enthusiasm and were able to get on the air shortly after 4:00 pm. Both operators used I-com 7300’s powered by an array of automotive style batteries. John worked mostly 40 Meters while Spencer focused on FT8. Your “not so intrepid” reporter (Peter VE3ZFZ) departed the scene before sunset leaving the pair to continue logging numerous contacts throughout the night and into the next day.

Contest News



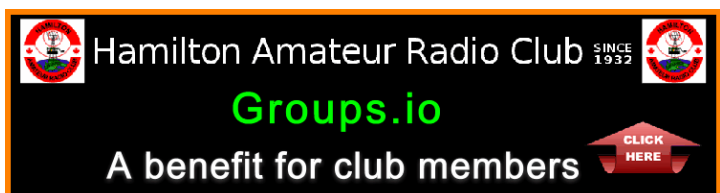
VE3BK is requesting participation for 3rd week in August, 2023 International Lighthouse Weekend.



Click above for all details.

If you can help:

Contact Rick VE3BK on the following link:



If you know of anyone else kindly contact Barry VE3ISX.

UHF repeater operational

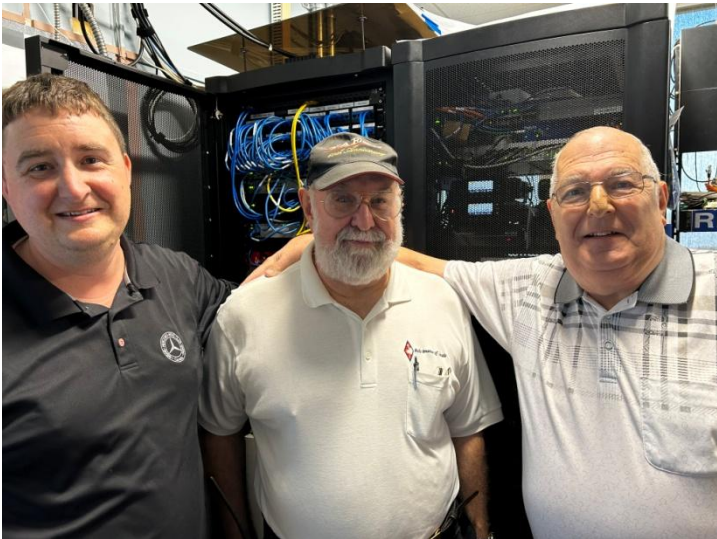
Our technical crew of Peter VE3ZLQ, Gary VE3TTO, Barry VE3ISX and Rick VE3BK finalized the installation of the Bridgecom UHF repeater and Sinclair Duplexer 19th July 2023.



Rick in front of our well stacked equipment rack.



Peter VE3XLQ with Rick VE3BK and Gary VE3TTO repeater install.



Barry VE3ISX part of the crew.



Gary VE3TTO doing the SWR check.

News from our 1st Vice President



John VA3JHD

I would like to thank the 31st. SIG.CORP. and H.A.R.C. for inviting us to teach the Basic with Honours Course 2022/23 through the winter months. Congratulations to the following students: L/Col. Bialachowski, M/Cpl. Belsito, Cpl. Robichaud, Pte. Bong and and to civilian students: Peter Arthur and Edward Stavin. A much appreciated thanks to the following instructors: VA3JT JAMES THOMAS, VE3QEE MARDY EEDSON, VE3CXB JOHN HUDAK, VE3FDK JOHN GARY. A SPECIAL THANKS to Club Examiner, VE3QYV CHRISTIAN ANGELAKIS. A JOB WELL DONE. THANKYOU,

73 and 88

VA3JHD. 1st V/P. H.A.R.C.

The club will host the Ancaster Fair Hamfest Saturday September 30th, 2023. As in the past, a number of volunteers are needed to set up the tables, work with admissions and sell the 50/50 draw table. Get in touch with Barry VE3ISX.

 **Events Calendar**
2023 Hamfests/Fleamarkets
Updated club summary 

Courtesy of ONTARS.COM

Club events 2023

International Lighthouse

Lightship Weekend – ILLW

**This year 00.01UTC 19th August
to 24.00UTC 20th August 2023
(48 hours)**

Binbrook Club BBQ 2023

The club will host the ever popular BBQ at the Conservation Park in August with FREE food and plenty of friendship. 20th August 2023. All members are welcome.

Ancaster Hamfest 2023

This event will take place 30th September 2023 and if last year's event was a record, lets work to make this year even better. Looking for volunteers to marshall, setup tables and welcome visitors/dealers.

Christmas Dinner Yacht Club

This event will take 10th December 2023 with al the trimmings in prizes. Watch for further details.

Thanks for your time.
Barry VE3ISX Newsletter Editor.