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President's Message

April has been a great month for our club with six new members coming from the James Street Armories radio course. Welcome Tom VE3TMW and Bill VE3IUK who joined in person at the various function. Fifty two (52) members our new count.

The club members enjoyed another Saturday morning breakfast tradition at the Two Cougars Café, 15th April 2023.

John VA3JHD has suggested that our next breakfast be at the Canadian War Plane Museum next month. Free admission to the event, tour of the aircraft and a visit to the radio room there. Bring a new member or friend.

Your new 2024 Club membership cards will be available to all members this month.

73 and 88

Murray VE3ZPV President







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.

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**



Club Dues Summary

- **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: 52



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

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

Our VHF/UHF Club repeaters are fully functional with various extra functions such as phone patch and IRLP.

Club repeater update:

All repeaters, IRLP and phone patch working as normal. Check with Rick VE3BK for details.

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New Club meeting place:



The Club is pleased to announce our April 27th, 2023 **IN PERSON** meeting.

Date:

Thursday 27th April 2023, **7:00** pm sharp **Location: St. Paul's United** Church, 42 Tragina Ave, Hamilton.



Agenda:

Club business Speaker to be announced.

Website News

There is a new menu item in the main page ..."Archived **Newsletters**"...interesting look at our club activities.

Dues Notice:

Our Membership dues have not gone up for the new year but we are maintaining all Club Benefits.

Thank you our members that renewed their membership for 2023. We did send out by MAIL a final reminder to those still not renewed.

Benefits of a club membership

If you appreciate the services and events that the club provides, consider renewing your HARC membership. As you can see by our financials, it does cost club finances to keep the level of service to our membership. Your dues support our Tailgate, Summer BBQ, Christmas dinner and the important RAC insurance that we pay for each of our membership.

Click the banner below for a current member list.



Current Membership 2023

Current paid members 52

Welcome new members

- VA3IUK Bill Linington
- * VE3TWG Thomas Godden

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CONTEST NEWS

OQP was run on April 15 and 16th this month. Group participation was down, as was overall participation. This was probably because of poor band conditions compared to last year. Last year, all the bands were open and I had fun on mostly 15 meters. This year, the band to be on was 40 meters, especially on Saturday and into the wee hours of Sunday. I worked the East of Canada, but the West was missing. I also worked Europe and South America on 40 meters, but Sunday, the bands were not good at all.

Besides the conditions, there were many good contests on that weekend, so many Operators were working more than one Contest. I really enjoyed 40 meters though, even both days I was getting pileups to by calling CQ Ontario QSO Party. Thanks to the many, that worked us, especially our neighbours to the South. Results will be in a later Newsletter. We did win a certificate last year, not sure what will happen this year yet. There were many VE3's on the bands.

Don't forget that our Club Sponsors the Low Power all band Single Operator category with a plaque, yet to be won by any of our Club Members. Go

to: http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/awards.h
tm to see the categories.

Contest news continued....

The month of May, check contestcalendar.com or go to our website hamiltonarc.com and click on links, the Contest Calendar is the 3rd one there, for more information about Contests coming up.

June of course is Field Day. Are we doing it in the Field this year? July 1st is Canada Day, again another one we enjoy. We take the time to say hello to all of Canada. So turn that radio on and enjoy. You do not have to be in a contest to give out points to those that are in a contest or a QSO Party. There are QSO Parties for every Province and State, so check the Contest Calendar. Every contest has different rules and reports, so make sure you check them out before you enter any contest.

I have submitted my logs, only playing, once with only 17 contacts in one log, and ended up listed in the magazine, but you can always just send them a check log for any number of contacts. Most of the contest organizers will appreciate that. This give them a chance to verify logs.

So turn that radio on and have some fun. Many of my good DX contacts have been during a contest.

73 good DX, Rick VE3BK

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Executive Meeting

Our club will meet on line with a ZOOM meeting 20th April 2023 starting at 7pm. All are welcome.



Reminder: Club Exec Meeting
Zoom Invite ..all welcome
20th April 2023

Click above for invite address

Walk down memory lane:

Check the main menu bar for archived HARC newsletters starting in 1975,,,or simply click this banner.





Join the club membership 13th May 2023, 9:30am at the

Canadian War Plane Museum

Hamilton, Airport

Mt. Hope, Ontario

Free admission to the museum, tour of the aircraft and a visit to the radio room. The breakfast is great, service is fast and the café with full washroom accessibility.



If you know of anyone else kindly contact Barry VE3ISX.

Hamfest Calendar



Click the above link courtesy of ONTARS for full details of events.

2023 Events Plans

Saturday Morning Breakfast

We will gather at the Canadian War Plane Museum 13th May, 2023. Plenty of free parking and DARTS friendly. Meet there at 9:30 am.

Tailgate Treasures June 2023

The event will take place at St. Joseph's RC Church 17th June 2023. Looking for volunteers to marshall and welcome visitors/dealers.

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. All members are welcome. August 20th 2023.

Lighthouse Weekend

The club has enjoyed this event over the past years near the Burlington Lighthouse. A great chance to set up portable equipment and work the world. The event takes place typically on the third weekend of August. Get in touch with Rick VE3BK or Mardy VE3QEE if you are interested in participating.



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

A beautiful setting for membership sponsored by the club. This event will take 10th December 2023 with al the trimmings in prizes. Watch for further details.

Do you have a club event?

Let any of our executive know your ideas.



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Lastly, we are looking to award the Art Ferguson Club award to a worthy member this year. Click the following banner to nominate your choice. Click here for AWARD HISTORY.



2023 nomination form.