



## Current Club Executive

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## Your 2025 Board



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**VA3HFD**



## President's Message

**Happy New Year to all HARC members.**  
I hope everyone enjoyed a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable holiday season and is feeling refreshed as we head into a new year of amateur radio activities.

January is a great time to reconnect after the holidays and start looking ahead to what promises to be another busy and exciting year for the Hamilton Amateur Radio Club. Our next general membership meeting will take place on January 22, 2026, and I encourage everyone to attend. It's a great opportunity to catch up with fellow members, learn what's coming up, and share ideas for the year ahead.

I'd also like to give everyone an early heads-up that our February general membership meeting will feature a **Members Swap Meet**. This is a fun and informal chance to bring along any surplus or unused radio gear to sell or trade with fellow members. It's a great way to clear out your shack and make room for that next piece of equipment you've had your eye on!

As always, thank you for your continued support, participation, and enthusiasm. Your involvement is what makes HARC such a strong and vibrant club. I look forward to seeing many of you at the January meeting and at the February swap meet.

Regards and 73  
**VE3XLQ Peter Hammerl,  
President and Chair**

# Club nets

## **MONDAY HF:**

**TIME: 8:00 PM till 9:00PM**

7.100 MHz LSB starts at 8pm till 9 pm

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:**

#### **VE3NCF VHF and UHF**

**New Link: 146.715 MHz (131.8)**

146.760MHz (-600) tone 131.8

444.075MHz (+5Mhz) tone 131.8

**Please note** the repeaters are currently linked. Our New Allstar mode is fully functional.

Don't forget to get the various mobile apps for your cell phones to call into our local repeaters while you are out of town. Just like being in town with a hand held, from anywhere in the world. Check into our net from anywhere in the world.

**Use our new 146.715 MHz link for out of town.**



**Club Breakfast-Denny's**

560 Centennial Pkwy N, Hamilton

**Saturday 10th January 2026**

9:00 am sharp

**A good number of club members enjoyed breakfast 10<sup>th</sup> January 2026. This is a monthly event.**

## **2026 Events update:**

- General Meeting:**
- 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026**



## **January 2026 Meeting:**

Our annual monthly membership meeting will take place 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026 at the St. Paul's United Church, 42 Tragina Ave. North at 7:30pm sharp.

**St.Pauls  
Church  
Meeting  
Location**

Click above for map.

This is a hybrid meeting with a new Microsoft Teams format...similar to ZOOM. Works on MAC or Windows machines.

## **TEAMS General Meeting:**

**Join us at 7:30 pm via on line TEAMS.**

## **Microsoft Teams**

[\*\*Need help?\*\*](#)

[\*\*Join the meeting now\*\*](#)

**Meeting ID: 285 453 140 309 9**

**Passcode: dT26qe6D**

**Dial in by phone +1647-497-6074,,413310215#**

**Canada, Toronto Find a local number**

**Phone conference ID: 413 310 215#**

## **Membership Update:**



**Current Membership  
2025**

## **66 Active members**

**New 2025-2026 membership form!**



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



**Do you wish to renew or join the club...**

## **VE3BK Contest Corner**



**Contact Rick VE3BK**

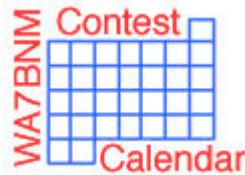
[\*\*ve3bk@hamiltonarc.com\*\*](mailto:ve3bk@hamiltonarc.com)

## **Winter Field Day 2026**

**24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> January 2026**



**Click above for website  
and all the details.**



**Click for all the details**



## **SOLAR CONDITIONS**

HF propagation tools

**Click above for info**

## **Amateur Antenna Guide**



**Click above for all details.**

- Link to just about every antenna used today.**

If you have an interesting topic/event that can be shared here..contact Rick VE3BK

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## **HAMRADIO OUTSIDE THE BOX:**

- By VA3KOT**
- Opinions**
- Antennae**
- Outdoor ops**
- Builder projects**
- POTA**



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**Click above for club event photo collection**

**Do you have pictures or newsworthy items for the newsletter?**

**Tech/project articles are always welcome.**



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**Coming up in February 2026**

## **Member Swap Meet:**



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