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President's Message

With spring just around the corner, it's time to start looking ahead to some of the great activities we have planned for the coming months at the Hamilton Amateur Radio Club.

First, mark your calendars for our Grimsby Tailgate Treasures on June 13th. This event has become a favourite among members and visitors alike. It's a fantastic morning to browse tables, hunt for radio treasures, reconnect with fellow hams, and enjoy the lively atmosphere that always surrounds a good tailgate. Reach out to Barry if you are interested in a spot at the event. We will also be looking for volunteers if you are available.

Later in June we will once again take part in ARRL Field Day, taking place June 27 and 28th. Field Day is one of the biggest events in amateur radio each year and a great opportunity to get on the air, demonstrate our capabilities, and introduce others to the hobby. Whether you're an experienced operator or brand new to the bands, there will be plenty of opportunities to participate. Stay tuned for future updates surrounding field day.



Looking a little further ahead into the summer, mark your calendar for our **Club Member BBQ on Sunday, August 23rd**. This is always a relaxed and enjoyable gathering where members and families can come together for good food and good company.

There's a lot to look forward to in the months ahead, and I encourage everyone to mark these dates on your calendar. I hope to see many of you out enjoying these events and continuing to make our club such a vibrant and active community. Regards

Peter Hammerl - VE3XLQ
HARC President and Chair

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.

2026 Events update:



Just a reminder...the club will enjoy numerous events as we transistion during the year.

Membership has many advantages.

Club nets

MONDAY HF:

TIME: 8:00 PM till 9:00PM

7.150 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

Club clothing available:

Jim VA3HFD has put together a variety of club clothing options for the members.

You can order by filling in the appropriate easy to use order forms.



Clothing Order Forms
CAPS BADGES SWEATS
From Jim VA3HFD 

- Payment is easy with E Trans!

New Website coming:

HARC is in the process of transitioning to a new website and newsletter platform. This will allow us to better service our members with visual impairments as well as provide a more streamlined browsing experience to members and the interested public.

In order to help transition to the new website, I am making a call out looking for help on migrating content. I am looking for members with basic web development experience or experience in managing wordpress or other online CMS systems. I will provide training on managing basic content management systems and an overview of the front end editing systems.

Let me know if you are interested and we will gather on a call one evening. Thanks!

Peter VE3XLQ

Membership Update:



Current membership
2026

68 Active members

Welcome David Stavin!
(call sign to be assigned)



NEW! **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

Announcing the Ontario QSO Party:

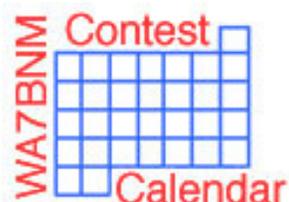
Contest Club of Ontario
 **Annual QSO Party** 
April 18th - April 19th 2026
Click for details and location

The 29th Annual Ontario QSO Party 2026

To be held on the third full weekend of April
1800Z April 18 to 0500Z April 19, 2026
and **1200Z to 1800Z April 19, 2026**

Submit Activation Plan for "Who's On" Page

2024 Rules Change: Self Spotting is now permitted, and addition of Distributed Multi-Multi Class.



Our annual monthly membership meeting will take place 26th March 2026 at the St. Paul's United Church, 42 Tragina Ave. North at 7:30pm sharp.

**St. Pauls
Church
Meeting
Location**



In that Peter VE3XLQ is away on business, Spencer and Jim Friend will host the meeting. With Peter away, Our regular TEAMS online service will NOT be available.



Latest club event pix



Tech Topics 2026

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