# The Hamilton Amateur

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### **President's Message**

Welcome to the June newsletter. This will be my last 'President's Message', as I will be stepping down this year. This month's annual general meeting saw our biennial general election of directors. Further down the page there's a summary of the results.

I've had a rewarding experience at the post. Frankly, I think every club member should do a term of service on the board of directors, just to broaden your horizons.

During the summer, we'll have two executive meetings to smooth the transition between the old and new teams, and in September we'll introduce the new executive.

A few noteworthy events are happening this summer. First up, Field Day is this weekend. Are you ready? The club's effort is more low-key than it's been in the past couple of years, but we're still at Valley Park in Stoney Creek. Details below. Fox Hunts continue during the summer, check the club web page for details. The RAC Canada Day contest and lighthouse event are coming up as well. Rick has provided an update below.

Our monthly breakfasts are continuing during the summer, although the date of July's breakfast is still up in the air due to conflicts with several hamfests and Canada Day.

It's been an honour to be your president the past 2 years. Thank you for the experience.

-73. Ron Pereira - VE3ZX

#### **Election Results**

We didn't have a full ballot this election, so the four members who stepped up were acclaimed as the new board of directors.

Returning for another term are two incumbents:

Jim Sawadski, current treasurer, and Samantha Williams, current secretary New for the 2017/2018 season, two additional members:

Mike Krebs - Mike is a long time member and past president who is back for more

Ahmet Ozguder - has been a member for a few years, and recently organized the 'Tailgate Treasures' swap meet.

Ron Pereira will be vacating a director's seat and assuming the Past President spot.

There are two vacant seats, and we'll be trying to fill those at the September meeting. If you think you have something to offer in service to the club, please contact the executive.

### **Upcoming Events**

For full details, vist the club web page at www.hamiltonarc.ca



## Field Day - Are You Ready?

Valley Park, Isaac Brock Rd & Mud Street, Stoney Creek. June 24 - 25

This is a low-key year, without a lot of advertising and fanfare. There is still lots of room for stations, so pack up your stuff and come out for 24 hours of radio fun. We'll be on site at 9 AM Saturday, leaving Sunday afternoon after 2 PM.

## 2016-2017 Contesting and Events at H.A.R.C.

Rick - VE3BK has put together a nice retrospective for the year of events and contests. No matter how hard I squeeze, I can't make it fit into this format.

Since I want it to be seen, I'm attaching it as a downloadable .PDF file. Please give it a look by clicking on the button below.

**Download Rick's Report** 

#### **Ongoing Special Event**

Don't forget to reserve your time operating with our special event call sign, VC3C2C. See the club web site for full details.

### In Closing

I had hoped that I would have a thicker newsletter this month, but the well is pretty dry. I hope the new season starting in September will bring a higher level of engagement with members who have stories to tell and knowledge to impart using this medium.

The club's web site is evolving, and you'll notice changes on a weekly (more or less) basis during the summer. Keep an eye on it!

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