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Lightning Safety

By, *Nataie Hasell VE4NAT of
Environment Canada*

Date: Monday, May 9, 2016

Time: 7:30 PM

Place: Dakota Collegiate - Theatre *See you there!*
661 Dakota Street (At Beliveau Rd.)

Other Important Dates...

Newscaster: Deadline June 1, 2016

WARC: Monthly Meeting Dates...
June 13, 2016 - Field Day Primer &
Election Night
September 12, 2016 - Welcome Back

WSC: 2nd Thursday of month
Breakfast - Garden City Inn

ARES: Tuesday, May 17, 2016
Sir Wm Stephenson Library
765 Keewatin Street -
CANWARN Net Controller Briefing

Other: Marathon Volunteer Briefing -
Tuesday, June 14, 2015
Manitoba Marathon -
Sunday June 19, 2015
Field Day Weekend -
June 25 - 26, 2015

WARC Executive for 2015-2016...

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From the President's desk ...

Welcome to May, and a happy Beltaine. I hope no-one got trampled or singed.

Spring is well underway and hams are aloft at work on their wires and beams. Please be careful and diligent up there. A quick reminder that the Club has tower-climbing gear for members to borrow. Send a request to info@winnipegarc.org to reserve it. May's guest speaker will cover lightning safety.

We'll be overhauling the contents of the storage container this month.

I am encouraged that the Club is, in fact, growing and renewing, as we had a very successful Spring Flea Market, and a well-attended Fox Hunt last week. The HF Day co-event with RadioSport Manitoba was a sell-out and enjoyed by all. I certainly learned a thing or two.

WAW weekend, concurrent with the flea market, seemed to be popular, and I finally achieved my own 25 simplex contacts inside the City. Two were HF, so that's fun, too.

A number of upcoming events are planned to get hams out and about. Anyone with ideas or energy and time is asked to come forward and help us be the Club we can be.

Here is a good place to mention again, that three current executives retire this summer and we need to replace them for September. Normally they will be 'elected' at the June meeting, and positions assigned at the first executive meeting in the Fall. This includes your intrepid President.

73,
David Latour VE4DLA
President

Our Vision

To increase public awareness and respect for Amateur radio; to provide education

WARC Meeting Minutes**April 11, 2016****Taken by Gerry VE4GKS**

Meeting called to order 00:38 UTC

Introductions as usual

Name tags are available & handed out.

Treasurer's Report -

Bank \$11382, including PayPal.

March minutes -

Moved by VE4TTH seconded by VE4EA - approved.

Flea Market & Events -

VE4TTH reported on the upcoming flea market & upcoming foxhunt.

Education -

2 of the last class are teachers who have purchased HF equipment for their schools.

ARES -

Jeff reported on Klondike Derby & CANWARN course.

RAC -

VE4HAY absent - no RAC report.

DX -

VE4SN reported on DX.

New Business -

David VE4DLA moved purchase of 48 hats with club logo - seconded VE4MBQ, approved.

Other -

Cary reported on "Discover the HF Experience".

Meeting adjourned 01:23

50/50 won by VE4VJR \$29.00.

Door prizes - VE4DSD 1st, VE4DFN 2nd.

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Ph. (204)-783-1885 Fax (204) 779-7522

Contact George Hill, VE4GDH

Visit their web site..

<http://www.microhightech.ca/>**Annual General Meeting
of the members of the..****Winnipeg Senior Citizens Radio Club (VE4WSC)**10:00am, Thursday, May 12th - After the Monthly
Breakfast at Canad Inn Garden City

In keeping with the bylaws of the organization notice is hereby given of the annual general meeting of members. There are only three items on the agenda...

- Approval of the November 2015 Annual General Meeting minutes
- Approval of a revised constitution and club rules. A copy of these changes will be emailed to all members and will be available at the meeting for members who do not have email.
- Review of financial statements

It is extremely important that we have a quorum of members in attendance. The current constitution states that Amendment - The Constitution may be amended by a 2/3 (two-thirds) vote of the officers and members. With 81 member on record, that means we need 54 member to attend.

As an incentive to attend you could win one of two door prizes.

- New in box Baofang VHF/UHF handheld radio - We must meet the quorum requirement for this to be awarded

- A standard breakfast (for those who come for the breakfast and the meeting)

If you can not attend the Annual General Meeting, I ask that you rescind your membership by emailing Dennis ve4dmf@yahoo.ca and then apply for membership again after the meeting. I am only asking this so that we have a fighting chance at getting a quorum in attendance.

Why are we having another Annual General Meeting

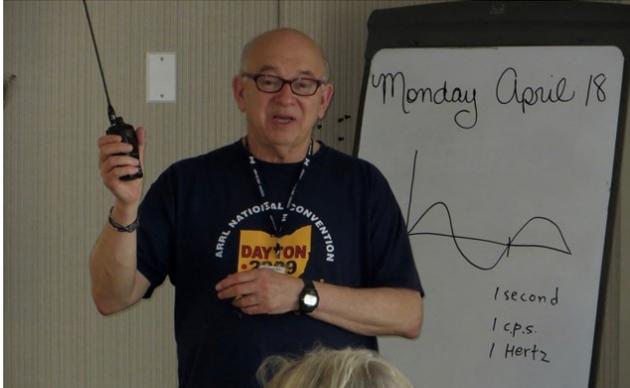
Yes it is true we just had an Annual General meeting in November of 2015, as short 6 months ago. The board & executive discussed this and it is felt that the members would be better informed on the state of the organization of the Annual General Meeting where held in the Spring as compared to the fall, as soon as possible after the financial books have been reviewed so that any concerns of the members can be dealt with and put into effect in the current calendar year. In the past election and the AGM were held in the fall. From now on this will happen in the Spring. However as the board has been newly elected the next elections will take place in the Spring of 2017 when the current board will step down and a new elected board will take over.

Derek, VE4HAY

Amateur Radio Today for PRIME

By David VE4DAR

PRIME, a health centre for Seniors, is located at the Deer Lodge Centre and the Misericordia Health Centre. Cindy Goranson, Al VE4GM's daughter in law, invited me to give a presentation on Amateur Radio to her PRIME day program participants at the Misericordia.



On Monday, April 18, I gave a talk to 32 Seniors just after their lunch. I like to think it was the lunch, and not my talk, that helped a few fall asleep. Most, however, were interested in what I had to say.



"Amateur Radio Today" was illustrated with a PowerPoint, a video, CW key, scanner and several handhelds. However, when Rosie VE4YYL and I tried to have a QSO, I couldn't hold the repeater. Rosie's, "You are down in the mud," brought a chuckle from the audience. Next time, I'll remember ARES, and test communications before the event.

Nostalgia Radio CJNU 93.7

CJNU 93.7 FM is where you'll hear the very best easy listening music that has been popular over the past eight decade

<http://www.cjnu.ca>

Manitoba Repeater Society

The Manitoba Repeater Society operates and maintains a linked repeater system across southern Manitoba, including Winnipeg.

If you are a user of any of these repeaters, we urge you to support the group by becoming a member.

VE4MAN - Starbuck, VE4CDN - Morris,
VE4PLP - Portage, VE4MRS - Bruxelles,
VE4GIM - Gimli, VE4MIL - Milner Ridge
VE4EMB - Hadashville, VE4FAL - Falcon Lake,
VE4WPG - Winnipeg, VE4VJ - Winnipeg, VE4WRS
- Autopatch & IRLP link Winnipeg

Links to repeaters in Ontario, Brandon, Selkirk and soon to be the Dauphin & area.

info@mb-repeater-society.ca

<http://www.mb-repeater-society.ca/>

<http://www.facebook.com/ManitobaRepeaterSociety>

The Manitoba Repeater Society Inc.

Our Annual General Meeting was held April 17, 2016.

The following members were acclaimed to the executive at the AGM. The positions indicated were selected at the first executive meeting, April 25.

President	Ed Richardson	VE4EAR
Past President	Derek Hay	VE4HAY
Vice President	Vacant	
Treasurer	Harm Hazeu	VE4HAZ
Membership	Scott Lightfoot	VE4STL
Secretary	Dick Maguire	VE4HK
Technical Committee Chair	Ellis Seddon	VE4AJO
Technical Committee Members	Yori Tsuji	VE4ACX
	Phil Barton	VE4QB
	Dave Stimpson	VE4DJS
	Allan Grant	VA4AJG

Please feel free to contact any member of the executive with any questions, concerns or compliments.

Dick Maguire
VE4HK
Secretary

Winnipeg ARES
Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ
ve4mbq@rac.ca

Thanks to all those who supported Winnipeg ARES at the recent WARC Flea Market by donating items or purchasing tickets. Fundraising Co-Chairs Hamish VE4JDH and Nicki VE4MMW supported by Sue VE4SYM, Jim VE4SIG and Rosi VE4YYL did a great job. Prize lot winners included:

James Phillips VE4GWS
 Grant Delaney VA4GD
 Pat Harapiak VE4PTH
 Sunday Satiada VE4SBS
 Paul Champagne VE4OPC
 Hamish Donaldson VE4JDH
 Gary Goodman VA4RWT
 Mike Kadniuk VE4KEM.

Two lots were not claimed.

Donors included:

CoCoRaHS
 Canadian Super Shop
 Costco
 Environment & Climate Change Canada
 Jerry's Hair Salon & Day Spa
 Reliance Products
 St John Ambulance
 Wild Birds Unlimited
 Jim Sutton VE4SIG
 Garth Blumm VE4GWB
 Tom Mills VE4SE
 Susan Collings VE4SYM
 Glen VE4GWN & Rosi VE4YYL Napady.



Manitoba Hydro Emergency Coordinator
Bob Schkawritka
Photo Credit Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ

Bob Schkawritka Quality Assessment & Compliance Officer Manitoba Hydro gave us a very interesting presentation on the Manitoba Hydro Storm Response System and related topics at our April General Meeting.

The next Winnipeg ARES General Meeting is TUE 17 MAY 1900h at Sir Wm Stephenson Library 765 Keewatin Street. The 2016 CANWARN Net Controller Briefing will be done by Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ beginning at 1900h.

Volunteer operators are still needed for the RCAF Run SUN 05 JUN (volunteer briefing MON 30 MAY). If interested please contact VE4MBQ.

Manitoba Marathon
Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ
ve4mbq@rac.ca

The 2016 Manitoba Marathon will be SUN 19 JUNE. We still need additional volunteers, especially experienced Marathon operators for back-up north & south of the Assiniboine River (if you are not pressed into service your day is done by 0700h).



We can utilize another five volunteers (could be new Hams) as replacements for volunteers that may drop out between now & Jun – that's a 0600-1300h duty day SUN 19 JUN. Please register on-line asap thru the form that WARC Web-Master Mark VE4MAB has set up at:

<http://winnipegarc.org/marathon.html>

The mandatory 2016 Amateur Radio Group Volunteer Briefing is TUE 14 JUNE 1900h Norwood Community Club 87 Walmer (Map 17 C8 in the Sherlock Map Book), material distribution begins at 1815h. Whether you are attending in person or sending a delegate to get your "stuff" if you can't make it, we must have a signed 2016 Manitoba Marathon Volunteer Code of Conduct form before your stuff is given out.

A Chance Encounter

By Mark VE4MAB

Although I had an interest in radio for many years it was a chance encounter meeting ED VE4YU, while he was operating the VE4TTU Station at the Touch The Universe display at the museum, who gave me a first hand introduction to Amateur Radio.

His excitement about the hobby is what prompted me to fill out a card for the next course which at that time was being held by Rick VE4OV.

When you speak with others about that antenna they see on your car or rooftop you never know what will spark their own interest in joining the hobby of Amateur Radio.....

A Remembrance of Ed Henderson VE4YU

By Art Boyars K3KU/VE4VTR

VE4YU was the embodiment of my paranoia about missing the Manitoba Section in the CW end of the Sweepstakes Contest. You have to understand first that SS CW is my favorite ham radio activity. And you have to understand also that getting the "Clean Sweep" – working all the ARRL/RAC Sections in SS – can be an obsession.

The Manitoba Section was rare in SS CW when I started contesting in the mid-1960's. It seemed like I could never get one. I was inactive from 1983 to the late 1990's, and when I returned there was one thing about SS CW that had not changed. I still could not nab Manitoba. In 2010 I finally got a Clean Sweep (Yay!), working KE0Z/VE4. That's how rare MB was – a guy from South Dakota(!) would do an expedition from a motel room. The next year, 2011, I missed only one Section – Manitoba.

Through all that later-day frustration, there was always one Manitoba station I'd hear answering CQs, but never CQing himself: VE4YU. He had a good signal and he was clearly a good operator, copying well, sending well, and efficient. He always made a couple of hundred contacts. He just didn't like calling CQ.

In that 2011 missed-by-one SS CW, I remember hearing him on 20 Meters, first high in the band, then lower, as he hunted around answering CQs. I parked myself in the middle, between the two frequencies, and called CQ. No better luck than any other year. I just could not attract him.

My obsession with Manitoba, combined with VE4EA's reactivation around 2011, led to my November 2013 trip to Winnipeg to operate SS CW at Cary's station. (And that trip led to my 2014 visit for the RAC Canada Day Contest, and to my getting a Canadian ham license.) The Wednesday evening before the contest I got to meet a few of the hams who would form Radio Sport Manitoba, gathered at Cary's house. Great

group of guys, and good operators; MB will be rare no more.

VE4YU could not make it Wednesday, so Cary and I went to visit him Thursday. Nice, modest station on a city lot – tri-band HF Yagi on a not-too-tall tower, inverted-V dipole for the low bands, and some VHF antennas. And within moments of meeting Ed, I knew that this would be a highlight of my trip. He greeted us enthusiastically and warmly. As he ushered us downstairs to see the ham station he introduced us to his wife, Irene, and noted the pictures of his family, proudly displayed.

His enthusiastic recollection of his ham radio history as he moved around for his career showed the breadth of his skills. He could build a ham station from parts recovered from old TV sets, winding transmitter coils on old oatmeal cans, and he could do the computer work needed for a modern station. In addition to his ham station, he showed us his other hobbies – collecting old cameras, and CJNU-FM Nostalgia Radio – and talked about Irene's hobby of collecting dolls, all with enthusiasm.



Ed at the controls on the air at CJNU

From that first meeting I had a new, dear friend whom I felt I'd known forever. After that, he seemed to find me pretty regularly when I was CQing in a contest. Sometimes, he would call while I was in disguise as a guest operator at another station. I would always say – in CW -- "HI ED HR ART", and even on CW you could hear the friendliness and enthusiasm in his "HI ART" reply.

I've mentioned here several times Ed's enthusiasm. I had remarked to him, and later to Irene, that his enthusiasm, in all its breadth, coupled with his friendliness and kindness, gave me hope that goodness does have a chance in this world. Writing this Remembrance, I think I have figured out how those characteristics fit with Ed's contest style of only answering CQs.

Ed's greatest pleasure was not in achieving his own goals, but in helping you achieve yours.

73, Old Man. Rest well.

Discover the HF Experience

By Cary VE4EA

On Saturday, April 2, 46 licensed hams and guests attended the Discover the HF Experience presentation at the Canad Inn, Garden City in Winnipeg. This was a joint program of two clubs, WARC and RadioSport Manitoba. The objective of the DHFE program is introduce new and long-term hams to the magic and beauty of Shortwave HF operating.



Attendees heard a full day of presentations with speakers from Edmonton, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg and as far away as New England via tele-bridge connection. Numerous prizes and auction items were donated to help defray the cost of the event.



Two amateur radio stations were also setup. Using the latest technology, participants were able to see how a simple computer could be interfaced to a computer and or stations anywhere in the world.



The following week the 2nd Discover the HF Experience was held in Framingham, MA under the guidance of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club and the Framingham Amateur Radio Club. The New England program was spearheaded by DHFE co-creator, Gerry Hull, VE4CDX/W1VE



The next edition of DHFE will take place at Hamvention 2016, in Dayton, OH for all 3 days of the hamfest, Friday through Sunday on May 20-22. The Discovery program will be held in conjunction with the ARRL Expo and the extensive headquarters booths.

<http://www.arrl.org/news/discover-the-hf-experience-at-hamvention-s-arrl-expo-sign-up-now>

Hamvention attendees will be invited to make contacts and learn about setting up their own stations. There will be 4 station in operation, allowing both hams and non-hams a chance to speak with "Elmers" or make contacts from station in Europe and North America.

Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) will be represented by VE3CX and VE4EA as well as host of other amateurs and regional radio organizations. All Canadians who are attending are invited to stop by and participate.

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Friday, April 29th Was HAB Flight Day
By Rob Striemer VE4SHS
(Event occurred the weekend prior to this publication)

Once again, five Winnipeg high schools will be launching high altitude balloons from a town in southern Manitoba. The SHARP balloon's call sign will be VA4AMD-8. It should cut down a few hundred metres below the 32 kilometre burst altitude. Balloons from Fort Richmond Collegiate (VE4JPI), St. James Collegiate (VE4SHS), Maples Collegiate (VA4NGC) and Garden City Collegiate (VE4GMK) will launch from the same location, hopefully at the same time, 11AM.

Flight duration will be almost 2.5 hours. SHARP's payload is very simple. The shape is an inverted, truncated pyramid with four fins. Quality ball bearing swivels are used on the balloon line and the payload to parachute distance is extended over previous designs.

There will be three cameras, two precision temperature sensors and a Geiger counter in the Shaftesbury payload. It will not include the amateur radio cross band repeater that flew last year.

Winds are predicted to be very light on Friday. The flight path for a hypothetical launch from Carmen Collegiate is shown in the image below right. Ground tracking in chase cars will be done using Kenwood TM-D710 mobile transceivers and aprsis/32 software.



Are you a
RAC member??

<http://www.rac.ca>

Flight Day Call Signs

Garden City Collegiate:

Gabe Kraljevic (VE4GMK)

Maples Collegiate:

Andrea Misner (VA4NGC)

Fort Richmond Collegiate:

Jennifer Piasecki (VE4JPI)

Pardeep Mathode (VA4PWM)

Jared Kozak (VA4CAN)

Shaftesbury High School:

Adrian Deakin (VA4AMD)

Robert Striemer (VE4SHS)

Patrick Dunlop (VA4PJD)

Dylan Fijal (VA4DFJ)

Bryce Jenkins (VE4VBC)

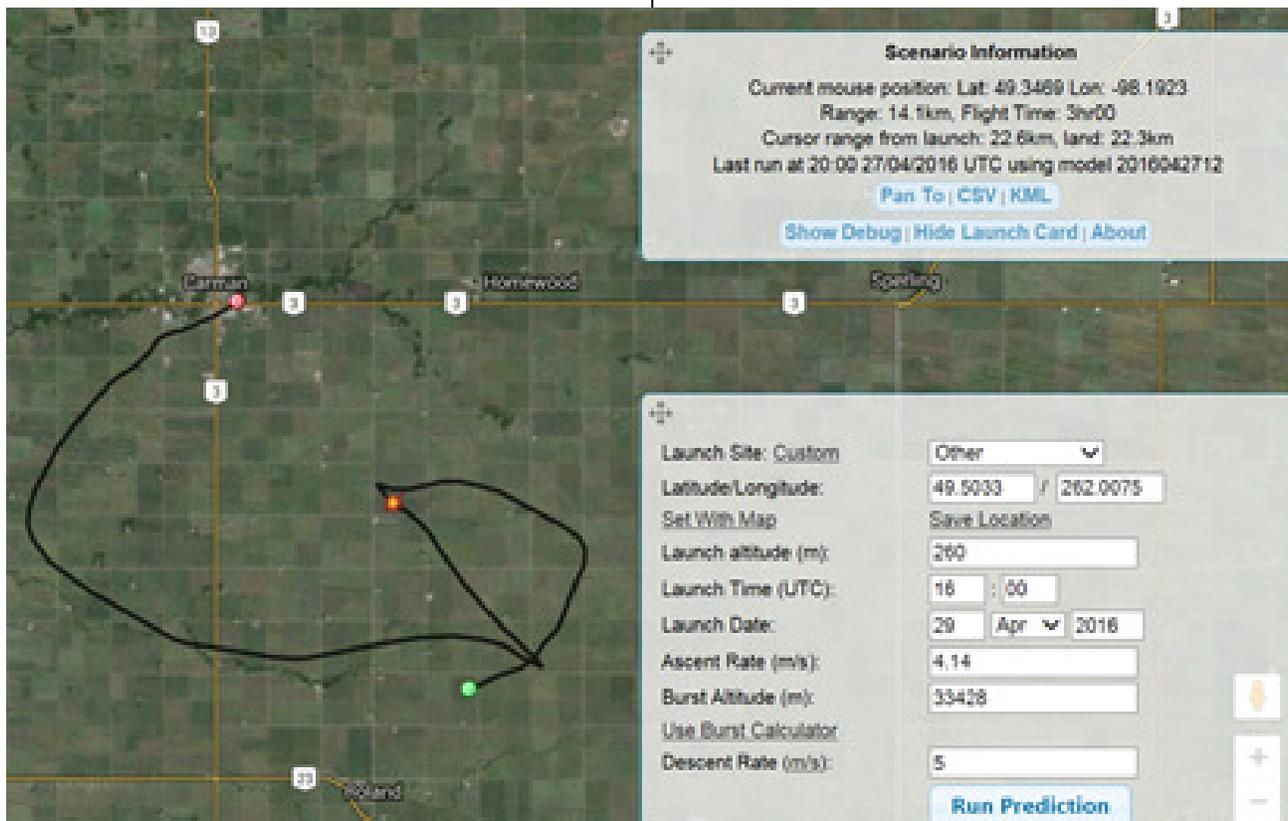
Tara Towns (VE4TET)

Jordan Bowley (VE4JRB)

Gabriel Cohen (VE4AFK)

Photos from the event are on-line at

<http://shsballoonproject.pbworks.com>



Contest Calendar

Extracted From

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/>

For May ...

MIE 33 Contest 2300Z, May 4 to 0300Z, May 5
 NRAU 10m Activity Contest 1700Z-1800Z, May 5 (CW)
 and 1800Z-1900Z, May 5 (SSB)
 and 1900Z-2000Z, May 5 (FM)
 and 2000Z-2100Z, May 5 (Dig)
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, May 6
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, May 6
 10-10 Int. Sprint Contest, CW 0001Z, May 7
 to 2359Z, May 8
 Microwave Spring Sprint 0800-1400 local, May 7
 ARI International DX Contest 1200Z, May 7
 to 1159Z, May 8
 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 1200Z, May 7
 to 2400Z, May 8
 F9AA Cup, PSK 1200Z, May 7
 to 1200Z, May 8
 7th Call Area QSO Party 1300Z, May 7
 to 0700Z, May 8
 Indiana QSO Party 1500Z, May 7
 to 0300Z, May 8
 Delaware QSO Party 1700Z, May 7
 to 2359Z, May 8
 FISTS Spring Slow Speed Sprint 1700Z-2100Z, May 7
 New England QSO Party 2000Z, May 7
 to 0500Z, May 8
 and 1300Z-2400Z, May 8
 Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, May 11
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, May 11
 and 1900Z-2000Z, May 11
 and 0300Z-0400Z, May 12
 RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data 1900Z-2030Z, May 11
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, May 13
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, May 13
 VOLTA WW RTTY Contest 1200Z, May 14
 to 1200Z, May 15
 CQ-M International DX Contest 1200Z, May 14
 to 1159Z, May 15
 HPC World Wide DX Contest 1200Z, May 14
 to 1159Z, May 15
 MARAC USA QSO Party 1400Z-2400Z, May 14
 and 1400Z-2400Z, May 15
 Arkansas QSO Party 1400Z, May 14
 to 0200Z, May 15
 Portuguese Navy Day Contest 1500Z, May 14
 to 1500Z, May 15
 FISTS Spring Unlimited Sprint 1700Z-2100Z, May 14
 50 MHz Spring Sprint 2300Z, May 14 to 0300Z, May 15
 WAB 7 MHz Phone 1000Z-1400Z, May 15
 UA2 QSO Party 1300Z-1659Z, May 15
 Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 0100Z-0300Z, May 16
 Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, May 18
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, May 18
 and 1900Z-2000Z, May 18
 and 0300Z-0400Z, May 19
 NAQCC CW Sprint 0030Z-0230Z, May 19
 RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW 1900Z-2030Z, May 19
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, May 20

NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, May 20
 Slobozhansky Sprint Contest 1800Z-1959Z, May 20 (SSB)
 and 2000Z-2159Z, May 20 (CW)
 UN DX Contest 0600Z-2100Z, May 21
 NZART Sangster Shield Contest 0800Z-1100Z, May 21
 and 0800Z-1100Z, May 22
 His Maj. King of Spain Contest, CW 1200Z, May 21
 to 1200Z, May 22
 EU PSK DX Contest 1200Z, May 21
 to 1200Z, May 22
 Aegean RTTY Contes 1200Z, May 21
 to 1200Z, May 22
 Feld Hell Sprint 1600Z-1759Z, May 21
 and 2000Z-2159Z, May 21
 Baltic Contest 2100Z, May 21
 to 0200Z, May 22
 SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, May 25
 Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, May 25
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, May 25
 and 1900Z-2000Z, May 25
 and 0300Z-0400Z, May 26
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, May 27
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, May 27
 CQ WW WPX Contest, CW 0000Z, May 28
 to 2359Z, May 29
 Portuguese Navy Day Contest, Digital 0800Z-2359Z, May 28
 SARL Digital Contest 1300Z-1600Z, May 29

Into June 2016

Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, Jun 1
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, Jun 1
 and 1900Z-2000Z, Jun 1
 and 0300Z-0400Z, Jun 2
 NRAU 10m Activity Contest 1700Z-1800Z, Jun 2 (CW)
 and 1800Z-1900Z, Jun 2 (SSB)
 and 1900Z-2000Z, Jun 2 (FM)
 and 2000Z-2100Z, Jun 2 (Dig)
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Jun 3
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Jun 3
 HA3NS Sprint Memorial Contest 1900Z-1929Z, Jun 3 (40m)
 and 1930Z-1959Z, Jun 3 (80m)
 PVRC Reunion 0000Z-0400Z, Jun 4 (CW)
 and 0000Z-0400Z, Jun 5 (SSB)
 10-10 Int. Open Season PSK Contest 0000Z, Jun 4
 to 2400Z, Jun 5
 DigiFest 0400Z-1200Z, Jun 4
 and 2000Z, Jun 4
 to 0400Z, Jun 5
 and 1200Z-2000Z, Jun 5
 Wake-Up! QRP Sprint 0600Z-0629Z, Jun 4
 and 0630Z-0659Z, Jun 4
 and 0700Z-0729Z, Jun 4
 and 0730Z-0800Z, Jun 4
 SEANET Contest 1200Z, Jun 6
 to 1200Z, Jun 7
 UKSMG Summer Contest 1300Z, Jun 4
 to 1300Z, Jun 5
 IARU Region 1 Field Day, CW 1500Z, Jun 4
 to 1459Z, Jun 5
 RSGB National Field Day 1500Z, Jun 4 to 1500Z, Jun 5
 Dutch Kingdom Contest 1500Z, Jun 4 to 1500Z, Jun 5
 Alabama QSO Party 1600Z, Jun 4 to 0400Z, Jun 5

Good Luck In The Contest

HF Loop Antenna Photos ***By Ron Place VE4PL***

Here is a picture of my HF magnetic loop made from a 1 inch diameter piece of 3ft heliax. Works great!



If anyone wants the simple building instructions they can e mail me at ron_place@yahoo.ca

Winnipeg Senior Citizens Radio Club ***Continued...***

The Club continues to be put to use, even though the heat to the premises is off. We have been using a couple of electric heaters to raise the temperature to a tolerable level; and the warm weather coming soon will negate the heating problem.

And again we want all to know of the change of our internet server to **LES.NET**. The current info for contact with the Club is:

Phone number: 204-666-8435
Email: ve4wsc@gmail.com
Website: www.ve4wsc.ampr.org

Gil, VE4AG

VHF Nets

MRS Nets - 147.390 Mhz +

Sundays & Thursdays at 9:00 pm

This net covers Winnipeg and the MRS linked repeater system, and includes various announcements on amateur radio activities and Dick's "Swap & Shop"

The Morning Net 147.390 Mhz+

Weekdays at 9:00 am

This net covers Winnipeg and hams of all ages are welcome to join in this net which is always a lot of fun!

Friendly Manitoba IRLP Net

Net - 145.450 Mhz - (Node # 1066)

On - The Great Lakes Reflector #9611

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

This net connects you with the world using the internet as the backbone!

Newbie Net 147.390 Mhz+

Saturdays at 10:00 am

This net is intended to give students and neophyte hams a chance to learn more about our hobby and to practice their on-air skills.

D-Star Nets on the VE4WDR System using

UHF 444.575+ DV Port B and/or

VHF 145.490- DV Port C

TransCanada D-Star Net - Fridays at 8:00 pm

On "Free Star" Reflector 21 (XRF021BO)

HamNation D-Star Net Wednesday at 9:15pm

On "DPlus" Reflector 14 (REF014CL)

Ozark Mtn. D-Star Net - Sundays at 8:00 pm

On "DPlus" Reflector 1 (REF001CL)

More nets <http://www.dstarinfo.com/nets.aspx>

HF Nets

MB Evening Phone Net - 3747 Khz

Daily at 7:00 PM Local Time (CT)

Prairie Traffic Net (CW) 3660 Khz

Daily at 01:30 UTC

Aurora # 2 Net 7055 Khz

Daily at 02:30 UTC

MB Wx Net 3743 Khz

Daily at 8:30 Local Time (CT)

ARES Manitoba Monthly Readiness Net

4TH Sunday of each month

4:00 PM - 4:10 PM -7,075 Khz

4:10 PM - 4:20PM -3,675 Khz LSB 5,375 USB

Manitoba IRLP Nodes - Use reflector 9003

Winnipeg VE4WSC (Node 1809) Pinawa VE4PIN

(Node 1981), Flin Flon VE5ROD (Node 1750),

DARC Swan River VE4SRR (Node 1700)

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