



Seaway Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc.

Hybrid Monthly General Meeting

February 22, 2023



Venue: Hybrid meeting held at the St John Ambulance venue and via Zoom
 Date: February 22, 2023
 Time: 19:00 EST
 Present: 14 Members and 2 guests

<p>Present:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Earle DePass, President (VE3IMP) 2. Joe Scott, Vice-President (VE3ADB) 3. Roger Bélanger, Secretary (VA3GBV) 4. Doug Pearson, Technical Director (VE3HTR)) 5. Dave Cullen (VE2JMF) 6. Ed Halliwell (VE3EAH) 7. John Grow (VE2EQL) 8. Jamie Montroy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Terry Larocque 10. Jason Racine 11. Jason Forget (VA3XDZ) Guest 12. René Champagne (VA3RIA) via Zoom 13. Murray MacDonnell (VE1LJ) via Zoom 14. Earnest Vinson (VA3EWV), via Zoom 15. Pete Legault (VA2FKR) via Zoom 16. Will Haggerty (VA1HEL) via Zoom Guest
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Call to order:

Meeting called to order by the President, Earle (VE3IMP) at 7:00 pm.

1- Round table

Earle welcomed all and invited participants to introduce themselves.

2- Review of the minutes of last General Meeting:

Earl (VE3IMP) asked if there were any questions or comments on the minutes of the January 25, 2023, meeting. These minutes had been circulated on January 27, 2023, and on February 19, 2023, along with the agenda for the February 22, 2023, General Meeting.

No further questions.

Motion to approve minutes: Joe Scott (VEADB)
 Seconded: Doug Pearson (VE3HTR)
 The minutes were approved unanimously.

3- Treasurer's Report

Chris (VA3CRR) was absent this evening. However, in advance of the meeting he sent a report to Roger asking him to share it:

February 2023
General \$ 945.65
Repeater \$2385.30
Total \$3330.95
Accessible \$3280.95

The expenditures for January 2022 were:

- \$106.26 for shipping the D-STAR repeater we sold to Sault-Ste-Marie
- \$19.99; A congratulatory cake for VA3EWV and VA3CEI
- \$50 for refunding Art (Silent Key) and Suzan's membership

Revenues for January 2023 consisted of 7 renewals.

The report was submitted by Chris Lauzon (VA3CRR).

A detailed annual report consisting of the corporation 2023 Year-to-date banking operations and a complete financial statement for year 2022 prepared by Earle (VE3IMP) and shown in Annexes II and III respectively.

By providing this detailed report, there is no longer a need to appoint any Auditors and have an audit. This is as per the Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, 2010, consolidated March 1, 2022, Article 76 b which states:

76 (1) Members of a public benefit corporation may pass an extraordinary resolution, (b) to not appoint an auditor and to not have an audit or a review engagement in respect of the corporation's financial year if the corporation had annual revenue in that financial year of \$100,000 or less or such other prescribed amount. 2010, c. 15, s. 76 (1).

Financial report proposed by Roger Bélanger (VA3GBV),
Seconded by Joe Scott (VEADB),
Adopted unanimously.

4- Secretary’s Report:

As of February 22, 2023, the SVARC has 31 Members in good standing including 26 voting members.

This is down 8 members from last month.

This because the due date for the membership fee is 45 days after the end of the fiscal year as per article 3.3 of the SVARC Club’s by-laws:

Annual membership dues shall be proposed by the Executive Committee at the Annual General Meeting of the Club and become due and payable no later than 45 days after the start of the Club's fiscal year.

The deficit of 8 members breaks down to:

- 1 member passed away (Art, VE3AIH)
 - 2 members are moving and indicated they will not renew.
 - 6 members from last year have not yet renewed.
- (We also had 1 new member recruited in January 2023)

Secretary’s report proposed by Joe Scott (VE3ADB),
 Seconded by Dave Cullen (VE2JMF),
 Adopted unanimously.

5- Net Managers Report February 2023:

Net Managers Report for Feb. 2023. This includes Jan. 30, 2023, but does not include Feb. 27, 2023.

Our Monday night Net meets at 1900 local time on Mondays, year-round.

Our 2022 total Net check-ins on all repeaters was 776.

Date	VE3SVC	EchoLink	VE3PGC	DMR CH2	VE3VSW	VE3FHA	total
Feb. 2023	38	9	36	8	8	4	95

On average we have 9 operators per each Monday night Net, which is a 25% participation rate .

Joe indicated that, based on his research of other clubs and their Net activity we are showing the same or better level of net participation than most other clubs in our area and in general across Canada.

Pete (VA2FKR) mentioned that he will be willing to act as Net control for the 220MHz portion of the Net, starting this spring.

Submitted by Joe Scott VE3ADB

Motion to approve the report: Ed Halliwell (VE3EAH)
 Seconded: Roger Bélanger (VA3GBV)
 Adopted unanimously.

6- Technical Directors Report:

Doug Pearson reported that there was no repeater maintenance required nor performed since last month.

The SVARC currently operates 8 repeaters on three sites, namely; SBA tower in Bonville, The Cornwall Community Hospital (CCH) in Cornwall and the South Glengarry Fire department tower in Beaverbrook.

More details can be found on the Club's website repeater page at:

<https://www.svarc.ca/area-repeater-list/>

The Club would like to acknowledge the outstanding contribution of Murray (VE1LJ) for making possible the use of the South Glengarry Fire department repeater site in Beaverbrook.

The Club would also like to acknowledge the outstanding contribution of Ed (VE3EAH) for making possible the use of the CCH equipment room and rooftop.

7- **General planning for the future:**

A planning calendar for 2023 is being attached in Annex I.

- a. Winter Fox Hunts: A Fox hunt is tentatively planned for Sunday, March 5, 2023. Detail to be issued under separate cover.
- b. Monday night Nets, (see item 5 above);
- c. Coffee Klatches. It was agreed by all present to retain Spinner's Restaurant for the even Saturday Coffee Klatches;
- d. Monthly Meetings: Many thanks to Doug (VE3HTR) who succeeded to secure the SJA venue for 2023.

8- **New Business**

- a. Raisin River Canoe Race: This year the Race will be held on April 15, 2023. The move of the race from Sunday to Saturday was requested to avoid conflict with the Sunday masses at the St Andrews Catholic Church.

The St. John Ambulance organization will not participate this year due to some internal organizational issues. Nevertheless, the SVARC will participate as part of the RRCR Safety committee, providing communications for the event.

Several members present agreed to participate.

- b. Upcoming Cornwall emergency management / S&DG ACS meeting in February, 2023.

This meeting, scheduled for February 6/7, 2023 did not happen. Earle (VE3IMP) will contact again the Cornwall Emergency Management to reschedule.

- c. Emergency communication exercise with S&DG Fire Department: An Emergency Communications (EmComm) test is planned to be held with the South Glengarry Fire Department. The preferred dates are either March 11 or 12, 2023. It was suggested to use VA3FHA as prime repeater and VE3PGC as back-up, to highlight that the SVARC can maintain communication even in the event of the Fire department communication failure at Beaver Brook.

Earle (VE3IMP) and Dave Robertson (South Glengarry Fire Chief) to coordinate.

- d. SVARC Field Day 2023: The Field Day is scheduled for the weekend of June 24/25, 2023. Earnest (VA3EWV) will be the lead Field Day team, supported by John (VE2EQL) and Jason Racine.

Several venues have been discussed, namely Guidon Park, Earnest Home, John Grow's farm and Gray's Creek. Plan A was chosen to be Gray's Creek.

Jason Racine will contact Gray's Creek responsible personnel to investigate the matter and report to the team.

- e. Club BBQ: The Club BBQ is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 15, 2023, at Earnest place, 4865 Highway 138, St. Andrews West.

9- 50/50 Draw:

A 50/50 draw was made collecting a total of \$55. The draw was won by Jason (VE3PRY) Jason donated his winnings to the Club fund. Thank you, Jason, for your generosity

10- Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be held in a hybrid mode on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at St. John Ambulance, 100 Second St. W., Cornwall, ON K6J 1G5.

11- Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 20:45 EST.

Minutes submitted by Roger Bélanger (VA3GBV), Secretary,
February xx, 2023

Annex I

SVARC 2023 Annual Planning Calendar - Last Revised: March 30, 2023

Event Number	Date	Day	Time (Local)	Item	Location	Guest Speaker	Lead
1.	March 15, 2023	Sun.	13:00-	Fox Hunt	City of Cornwall	N/A	Steve H.
2.	March 2023	Mon /Tue.	TBD	Cornwall CEMC /SD&DG ACS meeting	TBD	N/A	Earle
3.	March 29, 2023	Wed.	19:00-21:00	General Meeting	St. John Ambulance HQ	TBD	Earle
4.	April 15, 2023	Sat.		Raisin River Canoe Race			Earnest
5.	June 24/25	Sat./Sun		SVARC Field day	TBD		Earnest
	July 15, 2023	Sat.		Club BBQ	VA3EWV's QTH		Earnest

Notes:

1. Monday evening weekly Nets take place at 19:00L starting on the VE3SVC repeater,
2. Coffee Klatches usually take place on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month, starting at 08:30L, at *Spinner's*, 118 Pitt Street,
3. Club meetings take place on the last Wednesday, of each month starting at 19:00L, at *St. John Ambulance HQ*, 100-2nd Street West, Cornwall

Annex II 2023 Year-to-Date Banking Operations

Date	Description	Amount	Balance	Comments
22-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814410 Memo E EARLE DEPASS	\$5.00	\$3,330.94	50/50 of February 22, 2023
22-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814399 Memo E EARLE DEPASS	\$30.00	\$3,325.94	Membership Murray (VE1LJ)
22-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 812198 Memo TERRY LAROCQUE	\$5.00	\$3,295.94	50/50 of February 22, 2023
22-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814982 Memo JASON RACINE	\$5.00	\$3,290.94	50/50 of February 22, 2023
22-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 813223 Memo EARNEST VINSON	\$5.00	\$3,285.94	50/50 of February 22, 2023
16-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 812556 Memo john peddle	\$30.00	\$3,280.94	
13-Feb-2023	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 8 Cheque Date 13-Feb-2023 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 820019990	-\$50.00	\$3,250.94	Reimbursement for Art and Suzan
13-Feb-2023	PC Banking Remote Deposit Capture (cheque deposit) Memo #2023021439800060	\$30.00	\$3,300.94	Membership James Richardson (VE3AFV)
12-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 813972 Memo JOSEPH TONDREAU	\$30.00	\$3,270.94	
09-Feb-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814550 Memo AnyToneDMR	\$30.00	\$3,240.94	Membership René Champagne (VA3RIA)
28-Jan-23	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814241 Memo Tony Steven Belanger	\$40.00	\$3,210.94	
27-Jan-23	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 7 Cheque Date 27-Jan-2023 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 611000690	-\$126.25	\$3,170.94	\$106,26 shipping of D-STAR Repeaters \$19.95 Cake for VA3EWW (Earnest) and VA3CEI (Carlos) for passing their Amateur Radio examinations

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27-Jan-23	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 813761 Memo JASON RACINE	\$40.00	\$3,297.19	
27-Jan-23	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814528 Memo EARNEST VINSON	\$30.00	\$3,257.19	
14-Jan-23	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 812003 Memo DEAN BRUSH	\$30.00	\$3,227.19	
11-Jan-23	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814556 Memo CHRIS LAUZON	\$50.00	\$3,197.19	???
11-Jan-23	PC Banking Remote Deposit Capture (cheque deposit) Memo #2023011139801492	\$50.00	\$3,147.19	???
10-Jan-23	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 812441 Memo DOUGLAS P PEARSON	\$30.00	\$3,097.19	
9-Jan-23	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo ROGER BELANGER	\$40.00	\$3,067.19	Carlos D, VA3CEI membership Initially sent to Roger B.
5-Jan-23	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 813121 Memo BRENT MACMILLAN	\$1,000. 00	\$3,027.19	Sale of D-Star repeaters
3-Jan-23	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 6 Cheque Date 03-Jan-2023 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 827164670	-\$12.38	\$2,027.19	???

Annex III 2022 Banking operations

Date	Description	Amount	Balance	Comments
17-Dec-22	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814724 Memo CHRIS LAUZON	\$155.00	\$2,039.57	
17-Dec-22	PC Banking Remote Deposit Capture (cheque deposit) Memo #2022121939800628	\$50.00	\$1,884.57	
09-Dec-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 5 Cheque Date 09-Dec-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 611001620	(\$19.21)	\$1,834.57	
01-Dec-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 4 Cheque Date 01-Dec-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 825128550	(\$107.35)	\$1,853.78	
01-Dec-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 2 Cheque Date 30-Nov-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 610001660	(\$349.17)	\$1,961.13	
29-Nov-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 3 Cheque Date 29-Nov-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 396046360	(\$852.91)	\$2,310.30	
29-Nov-22	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 812431 Memo FREDRIC LEBLANC	\$40.00	\$3,163.21	
19-Nov-22	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 812051 Memo GAETAN LAVERGNE	\$40.00	\$3,123.21	
08-Nov-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo PETER G LEGAULT	\$40.00	\$3,083.21	
06-Nov-22	PC Banking Remote Deposit Capture (cheque deposit) Memo #2022110739801656	\$30.00	\$3,043.21	
06-Nov-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo JOHN H GROW	\$125.00	\$3,013.21	
02-Nov-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo JAMES E DIXON	\$30.00	\$2,888.21	

Date	Description	Amount	Balance	Comments
28-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo ROGER BELANGER	\$20.00	\$2,858.21	
27-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo TERRY LAROCQUE	\$40.00	\$2,838.21	
26-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo CHRIS LAUZON	\$100.00	\$2,798.21	
25-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo ROGER BELANGER	\$30.00	\$2,698.21	
25-Oct-22	PC Banking Remote Deposit Capture (cheque deposit) Memo #2022102539800588	\$40.00	\$2,668.21	
20-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo DAVID A BERNARD	\$30.00	\$2,628.21	
13-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Debit Memo Murray MacDonnell	(\$15.00)	\$2,598.21	
13-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Debit Memo Roger Belanger	(\$203.39)	\$2,613.21	
11-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo E. Earle DePass	\$5.00	\$2,816.60	
07-Oct-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo ROGER BELANGER	\$5.00	\$2,811.60	
29-Sep-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo E EARLE DEPASS	\$5.00	\$2,806.60	
28-Sep-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo JOSEPH SCOTT	\$5.00	\$2,801.60	
28-Sep-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo DAVID A BERNARD	\$5.00	\$2,796.60	
28-Sep-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo STEVE HARVEY	\$5.00	\$2,791.60	
08-Aug-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 1 Cheque Date 08-Aug-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828330104554101 Reference Number 611002640	(\$84.54)	\$2,786.60	
07-Aug-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo Tony Steven Belanger	\$100.00	\$2,871.14	
07-Aug-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo JOSEPH SCOTT	\$20.00	\$2,771.14	

Date	Description	Amount	Balance	Comments
14-Jul-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 50 Cheque Date 14-Jul-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828000104554111 Reference Number 396032660	(\$81.00)	\$2,751.14	
01-Jul-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo JOSEPH SCOTT	\$5.00	\$2,832.14	
01-Jul-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo EARNEST VINSON	\$20.00	\$2,827.14	
01-Jul-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo IAN DEPASS	\$5.00	\$2,807.14	
01-Jul-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo NICOLE BOIVIN	\$5.00	\$2,802.14	
01-Jul-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo john peddle	\$5.00	\$2,797.14	
01-Jul-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo Hiroshi Takahashi	\$5.00	\$2,792.14	
01-Jul-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo CHRIS LAUZON	\$55.00	\$2,787.14	
06-Apr-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 49 Cheque Date 06-Apr-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828000104554111 Reference Number 824006420	(\$22.60)	\$2,732.14	
27-Mar-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo LAURENCE GIGUERE	\$40.00	\$2,754.74	
10-Mar-22	Clearing Cheque Cheque # 48 Cheque Date 10-Mar-2022 Cheque Account Number 60392828000104554111 Reference Number 611003150	(\$45.19)	\$2,714.74	
05-Mar-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo EARNEST VINSON	\$50.00	\$2,759.93	
28-Feb-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo DEAN BRUSH	\$30.00	\$2,709.93	
24-Feb-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo JOHN H GROW	\$2.00	\$2,679.93	

Date	Description	Amount	Balance	Comments
24-Feb-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo JOSEPH SCOTT	\$2.00	\$2,677.93	
24-Feb-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo john peddle	\$2.00	\$2,675.93	
24-Feb-22	PC Banking Email Money Transfer Credit Memo E EARLE DEPASS	\$2.00	\$2,673.93	