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Seaway Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc.

Monthly General Meeting

May 31, 2023



Venue: St John Ambulance
Date: May 31, 2023
Time: 19:00 EDT
Present: 14 Members

Present:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Joe Scott (VE3ADB)2. Chris Lauzon, Treasurer (VA3CRR)3. Roger Bélanger, Secretary (VA3GBV)4. Doug Pearson (VE3HTR)5. John Grow (VE2EQL)6. Earnest Vinson (VA3EWW)7. Daniel Thériault (VA3SDO) | <ol style="list-style-type: none">8. Dean Brush (VA3BS)9. Jason Racine (VE3PRY)10. Hunter Racine (VA3HWF)11. Ed Halliwell (VE3EAH)12. Hal Green (VE3HWG)13. Dan Cullen (VE2JMF)14. Rick Palmer (VA3EV) |
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1- Call to order:

Meeting called to order by Joe (VE3ADB) at 7:00 pm.

2- Round table

Joe (VE3ADB) welcomed all members who introduced themselves,

3- Review of the minutes of last General Meeting:

Roger (VA3GBV) asked if there were any questions or comments on the minutes of the April 26, 2023, meeting. These minutes had been circulated on April 29, 2023, again on May 26, 2023, along with the agenda for the May 31, 2023, General Meeting.

No further questions.

Motion to approve minutes: Rick Palmer (VA3EV)

Seconded: Jason Racine (VE3PRY)

The minutes were approved.

4- Treasurer's Report

Date	Description	Amount	
21-May-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 813394 Memo Joanne Gates "Robert Gates"	\$50.00	New Non RAC membership + \$10 donation
30-May-2023	Email Money Transfer Credit Other Reference # 814247 Memo CHRIS LAUZON	\$120.00	Larry Non RAC Renewal, Iroquois Flea market

Balance as of May 30, 2023

<u>General</u>	<u>Repeater</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Accessible</u>
\$1,132.15	\$2,422.80	\$3,554.95	-\$50	\$3,504.95
+\$40	+\$10			
+\$40	+\$80			
\$1,212.15	\$2,512.80	\$3,724.95	-\$50	\$3,674.95

The report was submitted by Chris Lauzon (VA3CRR).

Adoption of report proposed by Roger Bélanger (VA3GBV)

Seconded Hunter Racine (VA3HWF)

Adopted.

5- Secretary's Report:

As of May 31, 2023, the SVARC has 39 Members in good standing including 35 voting members.

Total Number of RAC Members	23
Total Number of paid Members	39
Number of voting Members	36

This is up 1 member from last month's report.

New Member joined: Robert Gates VA3FZ

Adoption of report proposed by Jason Racine (VE3PRY)

Seconded Rick Palmer (VA3EV)

Adopted.

(Daniel (VA3SDO) rejoined after the meeting bringing the membership to 40)

6- Net Managers Report for May 2023:

Net meets and 1900 local time on Mondays Year-round

VE3SVC	ECHOLINK	VE3PGC	VE3VSW	VA3FHA	VE3SDG	VE3SDG	VE3SVC	DMR2	TOTAL
54	5	29	13	19	17		14	15	159

SVC is still the one with the most check ins with an average of 14 operators the net controller (me) does not have 220 MHz but I understand there is activity on it on Monday nights during the net. Numbers are down due to the round table session we tried on May 22 although that was the highest participation on any repeater during the month.

Submitted by VE3ADB

Joe Scott.

Adoption of report proposed by Jason Racine (VE3PRY)

Seconded Rick Palmer (VA3EV)

Adopted.

7- Technical Directors Report:

Cornwall Community Hospital (CCH) Internet interruption:

No further development, internet is still out for our connection serving the DMR repeater and the marine receiver.

Daniel (VA3SDO) will investigate whether we could be connected to the Telnet network available on the CCH equipment room on the 7th floor.

Repeater page on WEB site

Doug explained how to access further information on the repeaters using the Members Only page and opening the "Tombstone" spreadsheet.

8- Updates:

ARES Training: Earnest gave a summary of the ARES training session held in Embrun on May 27, 28.

A total of 7 SVARC members participated:

John VE2EQL
Jason (VE3PRY)
Hunter (VA3HWF)
Roger (VA3GBV)
Steve VE3EZB
Dave VE3YH)
Earnest VA3EWV)

Earnest summarized the exercise, a very well prepared and delivered training session.

9- General planning for the future:

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

a. Summer Fox Hunts: A Fox hunt is planned by Jason (VE3PRY) for date TBD.

b. Field Day: The Venue will be Earnest (VA3EWV) QTH

John Grow presented the initial planning, see Annex II

Earnest will prepare a sign-up sheet to send to the members in order to firm up the participation.

c. MS Bike: Nicole (VE3GIQ) was contacted and mentioned that the event is scheduled for August 19-20, 2023. The itinerary will be the same as last year, Carp to Brockville and return. She will require an operator in each support vehicle and at checkpoints..

d. Club Banner: The Club banner was discussed. Daniel (VA3SDO) will donate the banner to the Club in the form of a Real Estate portable sign. Earnest will provide the artwork.

10- Next Meeting: June 28, 2023, 7:00PM, St. John Ambulance, 100 - 2nd Street W., Cornwall.

11- Guest speaker:

Ed (VE3EAH) and Chris (VA3CRR) made a presentation on the logging SW to be used for the field day.

12- Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm EDT.

Adjournment proposed by Jason Racine (VE3PRY)
Seconded Dean Brush (VA3BS)
Meeting adjourned

Minutes submitted by Roger Bélanger (VA3GBV), Secretary,
April 29, 2023

Annex I

SVARC 2023 Annual Planning Calendar - Last Revised: June 29, 2023

Event Number	Date	Day	Time (Local)	Item	Location	Guest Speaker	Lead
2.	June 24/25, 2023	Sat./Sun		SVARC Field day	TBD		Earl
5.	July 15, 2023	Sat.		Club BBQ	VA3EWV's QTH		Earnest
5.	August 19 – 20, 2023	Sat. Sun		MS Bike	Carp		Roger

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, Cornwall,
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

Field Day Planning ((By John Grow (VE2EQL))

Field Day Equipment	Earnest Vinson	VE3EWV	613 - 601 - 0197
	Jason Racine	VE3PRY	613 - 662 - 3853
	Hunter Racine	VA3HWF	
	John Grow	VE2EQL	514 - 916 - 5647

We plan on operating a 2 or 3 HF radio FD with dual band for simplex frequencies

BANDS: 80 to 6 meters with 2 meters / 440 simplex

Location: Sue & Earnest Vinson QTH

Times: Friday June 23rd 3:00 PM to Sunday, June 25th afternoon Takedown

1. Elecraft K3 transceiver & Yaesu FT-857D
2. Kenwood TS-590SAT transceiver
3. Yaesu FT-891transceiver
4. 2 x push up masts – 32 ft.
5. Linear Power Supplies
6. Screen Tent(s)
7. Canopy 10 x 10
8. Portable Generator
9. Portable lights
10. Deep cycle 100 AH batteries
11. Solar Panels
12. 38 foot ladder
13. 176 ft wire dipole with ladder line
14. 400 ft Horizontal Loop feed with ladder line
15. 4:1 & 1:1 baluns
16. Rolls of Coax with PL-259 connectors & SVARC Club Coax cables
17. Kenwood TM-710A APRS dual band
18. 2 / 440 meter vertical antenna
19. End-fed 132 ft long wire antenna with matching unit & SVARC Club antennas
20. NVIS antenna for 80 meters
21. folding chairs
22. Portable tables
23. sleeping tent(s)
24. Antenna launcher
25. ThermaCell Insect Repellant Modules (many)

Meal Plans

June 23rd. Friday set up:	Evening - BBQ Chicken & BYOB
June 24th. Saturday Set up Breakfast:	Croissants, jam, cheese & eggs
Lunch:	Hamburgers & Hotdogs, salad, coleslaw, drinks,
Supper:	BBQ Ribs, chicken breasts on BBQ, BYOB
Sunday Morning:	Omelettes, potatoes, peameal bacon