

May 2003

FEEDBACK



The OFFICIAL Newsletter

of the

Georgian Bay Amateur Radio Club Inc.

P.O. Box 113, Owen Sound, Ontario N4K 5P1

GBARC Meetings

are held on the 4th Tuesday of every month except July and August in our CLUBHOUSE, Unit 6 Rockford Plaza, Rockford On. 5km S of Owen Sound. 7:30 p.m.

Breakfast Anyone?

Any Saturday 9:00 a.m., at the Rockford Restaurant.

Nets

80 metre net on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on 3.783 Mhz. Two metre net on Thursday at 9 p.m. on VE3OSR 146.94-Mhz.

Submissions

are always welcome. Send them to Barry/Steven

This Month

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MESSAGE FROM THE
NEWSLETTER TEAM

GBARC Mail Box

**NEXT MEETING IS JUNE 28,
29th DURING FIELD DAY**

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GEORGIAN BAY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

MINUTES OF MEETING

Georgian Bay Amateur Radio Club
Minutes of April 22, 2003 Meeting

The Meeting was called to order by President Bernie BQM at 7:30 p.m. Welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

Bob LKD gave the Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Joe JNA and seconded by Jim CJM to accept the minutes with the following changes ARIES to ARES, Randy and Lynn to Randy Lynn and YL to Anna. Motion passed.

Old Business

Clubhouse is closing May 14. The next meeting will be May 27 @ 7:30 p.m. at the Rockford Restaurant. The 50-50 draw will be used as payment for the room. Coffee will be for sale. There is a possibility of Lion's Head as a location for a meeting(s).

Thank you to Bob XOX for being the nomination committee for elections. The following people have agreed to let their name stand for a position on the executive: President - Gene IJD; Vice President - Bob XOX; Treasurer - Bob LKD; Secretary - Tom TSA; Technical or Program Director - Jim CJM. The elections will be held at the May meeting.

The "committee for membership dues" has been looking at restructuring. A report was given and a discussion was held. The membership drive resulted in 19 new members.

Moved by Tom TSA, on behalf of the committee, and seconded by Bob LKD that there be acceptance of the changes to the dues of the proposed by laws as read at the meeting of April 22, full new members \$35. and full new associate members \$25. subject to discounts on renewals.
Passed unanimously.

Moved by Bob LKD and seconded by Chris MUM that there be a 25% discount on new memberships of \$35 .and associate membership of \$25. with the presentation of the mailout coupon. Passed.

A tent for \$250. and a washroom for \$125. have been ordered for Field Day. Moved by Gene IJD and seconded by Bob LKD that up to \$400. be spent for the tent and the facilities. Passed.

New Business

Moved by Bob LKD and seconded by Bernie BQM that the club pick up the expenses of \$141.77 for the mass membership drive mailing. Passed.

The Zehrs tapes have been submitted.

CanWarn training on Wednesday April 23 at the Bruce Information Centre.

Moved by Joe JNA and seconded by Dieter DST that the code be put back on the phone patch and that it be for members only. Passed.

Antenna party, if you would like to be involved contact Bob XOX, Bernie BQM or Gene IJD. The take down of the Clubhouse antenna will be Monday April 28 at 7:00 p.m. Work will be done during the day if possible. Some members will need help with their antennas.

Aubrey TUQ won the 50-50 draw.

Moved by Gene IJD that the meeting be adjourned at 9:04 p.m

SWAP SHOP

One Yaesu FL2100z HF Amplifier

Coverage is 10 through 160 meters including warc bands...

Unit runs a pair of 572b tubes..Approx. Output is 600+ watts ...Unit in great shape....

Asking 675.00 Canadian Dollars

Contact Bob Vary VE3NX/VE3XOX R.R.#8 Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada N4K-5W4

519-376-8060

Wanted

Any general coverage communication receiver.
A young friend would like to try out short wave listening.
Maybe it will work into an interest in ham radio.

Contact Tom VA3TS
519-371-9805

Do you have some ham equipment for sale or are you looking for something, well then what better place to do that than in the GBARC feedback. If you are looking for something or have something for sale just send your name Callsign and what you have for sale to ve3seg@rogers.com where it will then be posted in the swap shop section of the GBARC feedback.

HAMS TO THE RESCUE

FOREST FIRE DESTROYS 170 ACRES

SUMMITVILLE — Firefighters fear warm weather and high winds today could rekindle a forest fire that ravaged at least 170 acres of woodland.

Between 150 and 200 firefighters from nearly every department in Columbiana County and some from Carroll and Jefferson counties battled the fire in Wayne and Franklin townships from about 4 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Tuesday's warmth and gusting winds spelled trouble for firefighters, many of whom were called from battling small brush fires in their own areas to assist with the fire that by 8 p.m. had burned about 170 acres.

Family's surprise

Tina Guy, 15, and her family arrived about 5:30 p.m. Tuesday to find the woods around their two mobile homes on Hull Road in Wayne Township ablaze and four firetrucks in their yard.

Franklin Township firefighters had searched the two mobile homes before they arrived. They

stopped the fire as the flames skirted across a trailer.

By 8 p.m. Tina was watching three dogs rescued from the trailers and lamenting that her aunt's dog had broken its chain and was missing, and firefighters would not let her go into the trailer to retrieve a cat. She said the cat would only come to her and was probably hiding. She said the family was told they would not be allowed to stay in the trailers Tuesday night and they weren't sure where they would spend the night.

Tina said she and her parents, Mark Evans and Kim Hendricks, live in one trailer and her aunt and uncle, Harold and Lori Bell, live in the other. The fire burned a camper the family had in the woods but did not touch a new pole barn Evans is nearly finished building. She said Evans intends to build a home on the property, too.

Front-row seats

Across the Wayne Township road, lawn chairs in the front yard gave Harry Johnson and his family front-row seats as Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry firefighters used blowtorches to create a "back burn" about 500 feet from his home. Johnson and his son watched as a tree on top of the hill nearby burned, sending flames about 30 feet into the air. Firefighters prevented the fire from moving east and crossing to Johnson's side of the road.

Franklin Township Fire Lt. Robert Marra said the Division of Forestry had a bulldozer, two others were called in from private companies and a local man arrived to donate use of another to battle the fire. He said ODNR officials were considering bringing in a helicopter for a water drop if the fire was not stopped. Marra said that spurred by brisk winds, the fire moved quickly with walls of flame 30-feet high burning trees in several directions. He said they stopped the fire from moving east of Hull Road, and north of state Route 518.

The southern borders of the blaze were Yellow Creek Church Road in Franklin Township and Glasgow Road in Wayne Township. About 8:30 p.m., Marra said firefighters were still chasing a 12-foot high wall of flame that was moving west in Franklin Township toward Foundry Hill Road.

Fears of rekindling

By about 11:30 p.m. most of the firefighters had packed up and departed. Though no flames were visible, embers could be seen glowing, leading some firefighters to fear that the blaze might start anew.

Marra said Columbiana County EMA officials, the Salvation Army and local ham radio operators also assisted. He said ham radio operators enabled the many firefighters to communicate without tying up the regular fire radio bands.

Fire departments not on the scene, including some in West Virginia, were on standby to cover calls of departments battling the fire, he said.

HAM RADIO "CC&R BILL" REINTRODUCED IN CONGRESS

NEWINGTON, CT, Mar 31, 2003--Another Congressional attempt to provide relief to amateurs prevented from installing outdoor antennas by private deed covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs) is under way. Rep Steve Israel (D-NY) has again introduced the "Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act" into the current session of Congress. The measure, designated HR 1478, would require private land-use regulators such as homeowners' associations to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio antennas consistent with the PRB-1 limited federal preemption. PRB-1 now applies only to states and municipalities.

HAM RADIO TRIVIA

1. What is IR compensation?

Amplifier circuit used to boost Infra-Red diode output
Device that compensates for voltage drop due to current flow
A red lens designed to filter emitted IR light
Night vision sensitivity control

2. What does BNC mean?

Bayonet Nut Connector
British Naval Connector
Bayonet N Connector
Bayonet Niell Concelman

3. A 6J6 is a?

High power beam tetrode
Triode
Double triode
brand of beer made by Collins Radio.

4. What was a coherer?

a detector
an IF stage
an audio filter
cw aid for better keying

Answers for the April Ham Radio trivia questions

1. Al Gross
2. You have a chirpy signal
3. An ARRL trained Official Observer

Answers for these questions will appear in the June edition of the Feedback

FIELD DAY 2003

This year Field Day Is on June 28, 29th. Field Day will be held at the QTH of Gene VE3IJD and his XYL Randy. Field Day will be the June Meeting. All club members and friends are more then welcome to come out and have a lot of fun.

MESSAGE FROM THE NEWSLETTER TEAM

Have you made an interesting contact or read a really interesting article that you think others would like? well then what better way of doing that then in the GBARC newsletter. The GBARC newsletter is always looking for interesting stories so if you have one done be a chicken be a ham and send it to Steven VE3SEG and Barry VA3WBG and ve3seg@rogers.com

From The Mailbox

ZEROBEAT

THE BRUCE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NEWSLETTER

IS NOW POSTED 73 DE JIM COVERLEY VE3OVV

<http://www.brucearc.on.ca>

When in Barrie stop in at the **Barrie Amateur Radio Club Meeting**

Georgian college, Rowntree Theatre

Date: TBA Time: 7:30 PM

73 de ken ve3kpp
