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# **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 29 March 2017

Ragchew and Fleamarket: 19:30 Club meeting: 20:00

St. Thomas Anglican Church

6897 Somerled Avenue (corner of Rosedale) in N.D.G. - Montreal (see page 3 for details)

\*\* Marc-André Gingras VE2EVN \*\*
Software defined radio (SDR)

# FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Please note the <u>new location</u> for the meetings of March, April and May, 2017. It's on two bus routes; bus 102 stops at the corner, and bus 51 one block away. See page 3 for details.

Thanks again to Marc-André, VE2EVN, and Jim, editor and interim editor respectively, for their assistance in producing MARCogram.

Keep any articles coming, folks: more is better than less. As every editor has pointed out, MARCogram is only as good as its contributors, so start writing.

73 de Nora, VA2NH

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# **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to Marc-André on passing the Advanced Qualification March 18.

All of the eight remaining students wrote the Basic Qualification, and of them seven passed, five with honours. The one student who failed is likely to rewrite at the hamfest April 8, as may the two who did not attain honours standing. Details on page 4.

This was a good class and I am quite satisfied with the results. I expect that the student who failed is motivated to succeed.

73 de Jim, VE2VE.

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147.06 MHz (+)

Owned and operated by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club. Located on the Pointe Claire water tower.

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147.27 MHz (+)

Owned and operated by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club. Located on Covey Hill in Franklin, QC.

The repeaters are open to all amateurs.

### Meetings of the Board of Directors

Meetings of the Board of Directors are open to any member to attend. Board meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month (Sept. to June) at 19:30 in the Wardens' Room, St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish, 4455 West Broadway. Should you wish to attend one of the meetings you are welcome; just speak to one of the directors before-hand to make certain that the meeting has neither been cancelled, nor the location changed.

# **Club Activities**

# Monthly Meetings

29 Mar 2017 — Marc-André Gingras VE2EVN, on SDRs. 26 Apr 2017 — Bob Paknys VE2JBP, TBA. 31 May 2017 — Show and Tell.

### Radio Classes

A basic level course is held starting in January of each year. If you know of anyone interested in taking the course they should send a message to <a href="mailto:classes@marc.ca">classes@marc.ca</a>.

### MARC Hamfest

We are planning to hold the flea market on 8 April 2017 at the LaSalle Legion. Please watch this space or go to <a href="https://www.facebook.com/ve2arc">https://www.facebook.com/ve2arc</a>

for more information.

# Incoming QSL card service

As has been mentioned in previous MarcOgrams, we are resuming the club's service of having incoming QSL cards sent to the club for members to pick up at meetings. This is a service which we are offering to our members which both saves the individual members money as well as makes more efficient use of our collective resources.

If you would like to avail yourself of this service please send an e-mail to <a href="mailtogsl@marc.ca">qsl@marc.ca</a> and we will add you to the list of cards that the incoming bureau sends to the club and bring them to the monthly meetings.

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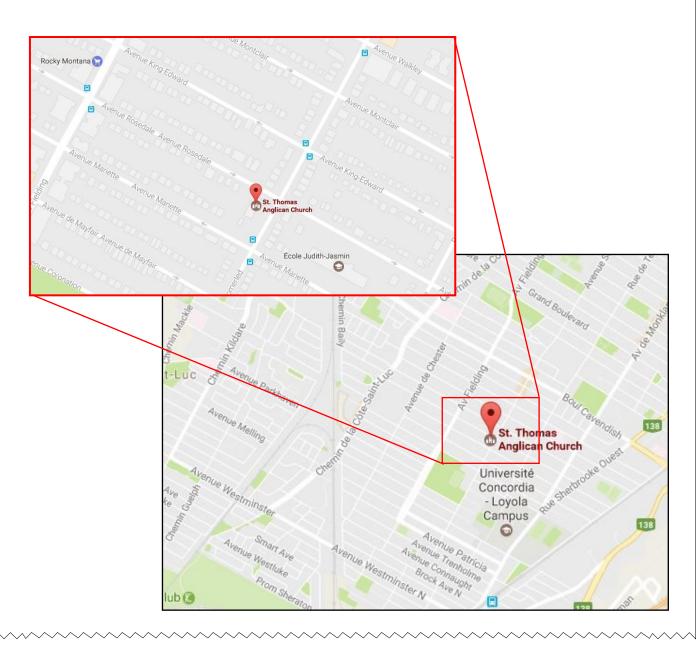
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# CQ CQ, ALL STATIONS!

The monthly meetings of March, April and May will be held at a new location.

St. Thomas' Anglican Church is on the north-west corner of Somerled and Rosedale Avenues, at 6897 Somerled Avenue. It is accessible by public transit; the STM Bus #102 stops in the same block, at the corner of Mariette and Somerled, and the STM Bus #51 stops a block north, at Rosedale and Fielding. Please enter by the side door on Rosedale.



# FIELD DAY T-SHIRTS !!

Group Field Day T-Shirt order.

For this years Field Day, both clubs (MARC and WIARC) will make a group T-shirt order from the ARRL.

There are two designs to choose from: red letters on white, or white letters on red. The sizes range from small to 5XL, and the price is the same no matter what size you choose.

Harrison, VE2HKW will be at the March meeting taking orders. The price is \$23.00, covering the price of the shirt, the exchange rate from USD to CAD, and the GST-QST at the border. Shipping charges will be covered by the clubs.

The shirts will be available at the May MARC meeting, at the June WIARC meeting, and at Field Day June 24-25.

Harrison Kyle, VE2HKW, Field Day coordinator.

### **NEW OPERATORS**

The students from this year's MARC Basic Qualification Course wrote the exam this past Saturday, March 18.

Congratulations to the following new hams whose new callsigns have now been confirmed. Please say hello to them when you hear them on the air:

Francois Filion VA2FRF
Farshid Mortazavi VE2QFM
Nicholas Gromack VE2NZG
Louis Mosca VA2ATF
Benjamin Bignell VA2XBJ
Erick Dahan VE2LRZ
Simon Conz VA3DZT

Congratulations also to the following who wrote the Basic Qualification exam but were not students of the MARC course:

Benedicte Samuel-Lafleur VA2ORU David Bourgault VA2HLX

73 de Jim, VE2VE



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

29 March 2017: Marc-André Gingras VE2EVN, on software defined radio.

8 April 2017: MARC hamfest! Bring out your fleas! Stuff sale!!

### **UPCOMING FLEAS**

What: Annual Iroquois Flea market Who: Iroquois Amateur Radio Club When: Saturday, 1 Apr, 2017

Where: Civic Building, Iroquois ON

What: Montreal ARC Flea Market Who: Montreal Amateur Radio Club When: Saturday, 8 Apr, 2017 Where: Royal Canadian Legion, 7771 Bouvier, Lasalle QC

What: 41st Annual Durham Hamfest Who: North Shore ARC & S. Pickering ARC

When: Saturday, 29 Apr, 2017

Where: Pickering, ON

**What:** 3rd Annual Simcoe Co. Hamfest **Who:** Barrie Amateur Radio Club Inc.

When: Saturday, May 6, 2017

Where: Barrie, ON

What: 33rd Annual Smiths Falls Flea

Market

Who: Rideau Lakes Amateur Radio Club

When: Saturday, May 13, 2017 Where: Smiths Falls, ON

What: 35th Quebec Hamfest 2017

Who: Club Radio Amateur VE2CBS Sorel

-Tracy inc.

When: Sunday, 28 May, 2017 Where: Sorel-Tracy, QC



# Hamfest Montreal Amateur Radio Club

# Amateur Radio Flea Market

Marché aux Pûces Radio Amateur

Saturday April 8, 2017

Le samedi 8 avril 2017

# Royal Canadian Legion 7771 Bouvier Lasalle

(STM bus 109)

TIME: DEALERS - 8:15 AM PUBLIC - 9:00 AM DOOR PRIZES - FREE PARKING - SNACK BAR TALK-IN: 147.060+ (VE2BG) GENERAL ADMISSION \$5.00 TABLE RENTAL \$10.00 (2 for \$18) Table rental includes one admission

# Royal Canadian Legion 7771 Bouvier Lasalle

(autobus STM 109)

OUVERTURE: 8h15 VENDEURS, 9h00 PUBLIC
Prix de présence-Stationnement gratuitCasse croûte
GUIDAGE: 147.060+ (VE2BG)
FRAIS D'ADMISSION 5,00\$
LOCATION DES TABLES 10,00\$ (2 pour
18.00\$)
Une entrée avec location d'une table

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### **PUBLICATIONS / PUBLICATIONS**

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