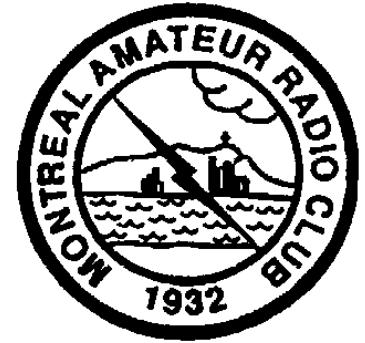


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“DON DASHNEY , VE3RM PRESENTS A REPORT FROM THE WRTC 2002 - HELSINKI FINLAND ALONG WITH THE OFFICIAL VIDEO ”

Wednesday 30 April 2003

Ragchew and Fleamarket: 19:30

Club meeting: 20:00

St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish Church

4455 West Broadway (corner of Terrebonne) in N.D.G. - Montreal

Don Dashney, VE3RM presents a first hand account of the The World Radiosport Team Championship 2002 held last July in Helsinki Finland. This is one of the top international events in Amateur Radio which brought together 52 teams of the best contest operators from around the world as well as judges, referees and spectators. Don attended as an spectator. He will recount some of his experiences as well as showing the video. The video, with photography by James Brooks, 9V1YC and Dave Bell, W6AQ, covers WRTC2002 from the perspective of a professional sporting event. This was a very competitive event and should make for a lively evening.

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello,

This month I am happy to report on the generosity of an equipment manufacturer. Earlier this spring Earl Paris, VE2ESP, mentioned to the board that the MAB radio room needed a new

power supply. We undertook to procure one for the radio room and Earl set about securing the funding. As I have had experience with the supplies produced by Stabylex I recommended that we procure one at Addison's who have been selling them for just under \$200. When Vernon and I went to Addison there were none to be had and we were unable to locate another store which they recommended.

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VE2RJS 449.975 MHz (-)
 Owned by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club and operated by the Cote St Luc Amateur Radio Association. Located near Decarie and Cote St. Luc Road.

The repeaters are open to all amateurs and VE2RED also offers a phone patch available to all amateurs during the day and evening.

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 7:30 PM at the Montreal Association for the Blind, 7000 Sherbrooke St West. 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

30 April 2003 - Don Dashney , VE3RM presents a report from the WRTC 2002 held in Helsinki Finland, along with the showing of the official video.

28 May 2003 - Show and Tell

Radio Classes

Each year the MARC holds a basic radio course, usually starting in January. This year's session was recently completed and was held in association with the Concordia University ARC. Details of the results are on page 6 of this month's issue.

MARC Hamfest

The club recently held its annual hamfest Saturday 12 April 2003 at the LaSalle Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch. This was another successful event. Details are available on page 6. Planning is now underway for next year's event.

Field Day

Field day is held on the weekend of Jun 28 - 29. Options and sites are still being considered. Any suggestions you have would be most welcome.

Canada Day

The club will be having a demonstration amateur radio station during Canada Day celebrations in Dorval. This is still in the preliminary planning stages so details are to follow.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Montreal 911 Centre 514-280-2121
 Laval 911 Centre450-662-4240
 Longueuil 911 Centre450-646-8570
 Sûreté du Québec 310-4141
 Kahnawake Peace Keepers 450-632-6505

These numbers are for emergencies ONLY

When I contacted Stabylex in Massena, N.Y., they advised that there were no 20 amp supplies available however they would be pleased to donate a 35 amp power supply. I am pleased to report that the supply was delivered by one of the Stabylex sales reps on a trip into Montreal with no cost at all to the MAB.

Needless to say the MAB, Earl, and the MAB Users' Committee which had agreed to fund the bulk of the cost are delighted, as am I. If you are looking for a power supply I think you should consider the fine products from Stabylex. They are of industrial quality and my 20 amp supply has sunk a dead short with no damage to any circuitry. I think a company which not only makes a good product but which is willing to support the MAB, as Stabylex, has deserves our patronage.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting this month.

<http://www.stabylex.com/index.html>

73 de Jim, VE2VE

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

We have just recently had another very successful hamfest. Thanks to all those took part, whether as an organizer, vendor or visitor. We all look forward to next year's event which should continue to be a very popular affair.

The May meeting is our annual Show and Tell meeting. Now is the time to consider what you would be doing to help make this another successful meeting. Every contribution to the Show and Tell evening helps make this a memorable meeting.

Those who came out to last month's listened to an entertaining and dynamic presentation by John Grow, VE2EQL, on the Atlanticon conference and QRP in general. John showed some of the neat projects that make QRP so popular and a real hands activity for its participants as well as explaining the challenging fun activities at a typical Atlanticon conference. John gave a quick review of APRS (Automatic Positioning Reporting System) as well as explaining how to use the Internet to track his progress on this trip to and from the Atlanticon conference. Thanks John, for an informative and enthusiastic presentation.

For those who missed the meeting or those who need a reminder here are a few links provided by John:

Atlanticon 2003 Conference

<http://www.njgrp.org/atlanticon/Atlanticon2003.html>

Northern Vermont QRP Society

<http://www.wulfden.org/NVQS/index.shtml>

Small Wonder Labs

<http://www.smallwonderlabs.com>

TenTec

<http://www.tentec.com>

Info on APRS Tracking on the Internet

<http://www.findu.com>

Tiny Track III

<http://www.byonics.com>

APRS Info

<http://www.aprs.net>

<http://aprs.org>

APRS Software

<http://www.pocketaprs.com>

See you at the meeting.

73 de Craig, VE2YGK

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CONTEST CALENDAR

More on contests including full rules can be found on the Internet. Check:

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

This site has concise rules etc., for the current week's contests.

April 2003

SP DX RTTY Contest	1200Z Apr 26 - 1200Z Apr 27
Helvetia Contest	1300Z Apr 26 - 1300Z Apr 27
QRP to the Field	1500Z - 2400Z Apr 26
Florida QSO Party	1600Z Apr 26 - 0159Z Apr 27 and 1200Z - 2159Z Apr 27
Nebraska QSO Party	1700Z Apr 26 - 1700Z Apr 27

May 2003

AGCW QRP/QRP Contest	1300Z - 1900Z May 1
10-10 Int. Spring Contest CW	0001Z May 3 - 2400Z May 4

New England QSO Party 2000Z May 3 - 0500Z May 4
and 1300Z - 2400Z May 4
Nevada QSO Party 0000Z May 10 - 0600Z May 11
Oregon QSO Party 1400Z May 10 - 0200Z May 11
FISTS Spring Sprint 1700Z - 2100Z May 10
CQ-M International DX Contest 2100Z May 10 - 2100Z May 11
50 MHz Spring Sprint 2300Z May 10 - 0300Z May 11
Anatolian RTTY WW Contest 1800Z May 17 - 2100Z May 18
His Maj. King of Spain Contest CW 1800Z May 17 - 1800Z May 18
CQ WW WPX Contest CW 0000Z May 24 - 2400Z May 25
MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint 2300Z May 26 - 0300Z May 27
Great Lakes QSO Party 0000Z May 31 - 2359Z Jun 1

June 2003

ARRL June VHF QSO Party 1800Z Jun 14 - 0300Z Jun 16
Kid's Day Contest 1800Z - 2400Z Jun 21
Marconi Memorial HF Contest 1400Z Jun 28 - 1400Z Jun 29
ARRL Field Day 1800Z Jun 28 - 2100Z Jun 29

July 2003

RAC Canada Day Contest 0000Z - 2359Z Jul 1

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COMING EVENTS

For up to date Canadian Fleamarket listings, please check the Radio Amateurs of Canada site at:

<http://rac.eton.ca/>

or for up to date American listings, go to the American Radio Relay League Hamfest website at:

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfest.html>

2003 Hamfests

April 26

Whitby ON
Saturday, April 26 - Durham Region Hamfest - Whitby, Ontario. Location: Iroquois Park Recreation Centre - Victoria Street corner of Henry Street

Vendors 07h30 - Public 09h00 to 13h00 Admission 6.00\$
Tables 25.00\$ - includes 1 admission. Talk-in: 147.375 (+)

VE3SPA Information/Reservations: Peter Henry,
VA3PWH at 905-436-9236 or e-mail at:
va3pwh@idirect.com

Reservations by mail only. Postmark must be before April 5, 2003.

Web Site: <http://drhamfest.tripod.com>

May 10

Etobicoke (Toronto) ON

On Saturday, May 10, the Skyward Annual Spring Hamfest And Fleamarket. Etobicoke (Toronto), Ontario at the Westway United Church, 8 Templar Drive, Etobicoke.

Vendors 08h00 Public 09h00 to 11h30 Admission \$5.00
Tables \$12.00 (includes one admission)

Talk-in: VE3SKY 146.985 (-) or Simplex 146.520 MHz
Table reservations: Derrick Poulter, VE3JNK, Telephone 416-247-7728, E-mail: dmpoulter@sympatico.ca

Other information: Gord Rumford, VE3OLH, Telephone 905-821-0675, E-mail: gbr@sympatico.ca

<http://webhome.idirect.com/~jproc/sarc>

May 10

Smiths Falls ON

On Saturday, May 10 the 19th Annual Smiths Falls Amateur Radio Fleamarket - Smiths Falls, Ontario at the Smiths Falls Youth Arena (behind 150 Elmsly Street North), Smiths Falls, ON.

Vendors 07h00 Public 09h00 to noon Tables 10.00\$ General Admission 3.00\$ Talk-in/ VE3RLR 147.210 (+)

Table reservations contact Baxter Smith, VE3BFX, 8 St. Lawrence Street, Smiths Falls ON K7A 4K5, (613)-283-7852

E-mail: baxsmith@falls.igs.net

<http://www.falls.igs.net/~rlarc>

May 16 - May 18

Dayton OH

Dayton Hamvention® - Trotwood (Dayton), Ohio

Location: Hara Arena, 1001 Shiloh Springs Road, Trotwood (Dayton), Ohio.

<http://www.hamvention.org/>

May 25

Tracy QC

On Sunday May 25, Hamfest du Québec - Tracy, Québec at the Curling A. Racine et Centre Culturel, Place du Centre Civique, Tracy, QC. Exposants/Vendors 06h00 Public 09h00 to 15h00 Indoor Table - 15.00\$ including 1 admission, payable in advance. Outdoor Table - 7.00\$ General Admission 5.00\$

Talk-in: VE2RBS 145,370 (-), tone 103.5 Hz

Information and Reservations: Denis - ve2dsh at 450-746-0814 or ve2cbs@hotmail.com

<http://www.ve2cbs.qc.ca/>

[or http://www.hamfest.qc.ca](http://www.hamfest.qc.ca)

Saturday, June 7 - Central Ontario Fleamarket and Hamfest. - Fergus, Ontario

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

Saturday, August 2 - Hamfest 2003 (St. Romuald Hamfest) - St. Romuald, Québec

<http://www.aresqc.org>

Saturday, August 2 - Westport Fleamarket -Westport, ON

<http://www.perth.igs.net/~lcares/lnlares3.htm>

Saturday, August 23 - Victoria-Haliburton ARA Hamfest 2003 - Manvers Township, Ontario

<http://yodeler.myftpsite.net/vhara/>

Saturday, August 30 - Ottawa Amateur Radio Club 6th Annual Hamfest. - Carp, Ontario

<http://oarc.net/fleamarket>

Saturday, September 6 - WIARC Hamfest and Auction - Pointe Claire, QC

<http://shell.pubnix.net/~wiarc>

Saturday, September 27 - 14th Annual Hamfest Centre du Québec - Drummondville, Québec

<http://www.9bit.qc.ca/~ve2crd/hamfest.html>

Saturday, October 25 - Hamfest de Rive-sud de Montréal - Longueuil, Québec

<http://www.cam.org/~ve2clm/hamfesta.htm>

A reminder - if you have web access you can also check the list of hamfests on the club's web page at:

<http://www.marc.ca/festcal.html>

73 de Vernon Erle Ikeda, VE2MBS
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RAC NEWS

RADIO AMATEURS OF CANADA BULLETIN 03-003E

Date Fri, 18 Apr 2003 16:43:10 -0600

From: RAC-Bulletins from HQ

From: RAC Headquarters

To: RAC Bulletins

Date: April 19, 2003

Subject: Industry Canada Announces Formation of National Antenna Tower Policy Review Committee

Industry Canada Announces Formation of National Antenna Tower Policy Review Committee

On Friday, March 28 2003, Allan Rock, Minister of Industry, announced the appointment of the National Antenna Tower Review Committee. The Committee, consisting of municipal officials, as well as industry, health and academic experts, will be chaired by David A. Townsend, Professor of Law at the University of New Brunswick. Professor Townsend, you may recall, authored a previous study on towers.

The announcement outlines the composition of the committee but does not give the detailed process or target dates for the submission of inputs to the committee. Presumably they have been left to Professor Townsend and his colleagues to establish. Professor Townsend and the Committee will consult with citizens, communities and companies on improvements in the policy and siting procedures for antenna tower placement. This review will examine issues, including:

- a) How can the local consultation process regarding the siting of a specific tower be improved?
- b) What are the most appropriate time frames for the processes of approving and resolving debates surrounding specific tower placements?
- c) What means are available to readily identify whether proposed installations may create radiofrequency fields in excess of established exposure limits in areas where people live and work?
- d) What information would most benefit concerned members of the public and how should it be provided?
- e) How and to what extent can tower sharing be utilized in order to reduce the total number of towers?
- f) Can protocols be arranged between local land-use authorities and antenna proponents regarding the planning and siting of antenna structures, visual guidelines and dispute resolution mechanisms?

RAC will participate in the policy review.

Comments, suggestions and recommendations pertaining to the technical and operational reasons for amateur towers should be sent to Jim Dean, VE3IQ, RAC Vice-president Regulatory Affairs, at ve3iq@rac.ca

The complete announcement and background information is available at:

http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/sc_mrksv/spectrum/engdoc/spect1.html

Comments to: rachq@rac.ca

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MARC HAMFEST 2003 RECAP

The 2003 Edition of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club Spring Fleamarket and Hamfest was a success. Many thanks to the vendors and those attendees who made it to the event on what turned out to be rather nice and sunny day.

The Club Executive and Directors would like to thank Laurie Binns of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 212, her staff and Branch members for allowing us to have the event at their very fine location.

As well, I would like to thank the following organizations for assistance in providing Door Prizes:

- * Radio HF
- * Radio Amateurs of Canada
- * Radio Amateurs du Québec Inc.

Durham Radio as well provided catalogues were quite popular and disappeared quite quickly.

Lastly, and just as important, thanks from both myself and James Hay, VE2VE to those members who came out and helped set up tables, exams, crowd control and the all important talk-in:

- * André Sipos, VA2ASS,
- * Donald Devey, VA2DWD,
- * Sheldon Werner, VA2SH
- * Steven Faguy, VA2SMF
- * David Melanson, VE2MPD
- * Raymond Faguy, VE2SJA
- * Howard Ikeda

73 de Vernon Erle Ikeda, VE2MBS

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RADIO CLASS NEWS NEW AMATEURS AND UPGRADES

I am proud to announce that at Montreal Amateur Radio Club Spring Fleamarket, there were a number of successful candidates who either passed their Amateur Radio Basic Qualification or upgraded their existing qualifications. On behalf of the club I am pleased to announce the following candidates who added the Morse Code endorsement to their list of qualifications:

- * Robert Paknys, VE2JBP
- * Julie Hughes, VE2USE

Adding the Advanced Qualification to his current set of qualifications (Basic and Morse Code) was Wade Bates, VE3WIB

Lastly but probably the most important were the group from The MARC/Concordia University ARC Winter 2003 course and those who studied on their own and requested to take the exam at the Fleamarket. Here is the list as follows:

- * Etienne Ali
- * Sebastien Auclair (*)
- * Jenney Beeks (*)
- * Jean-Marc DaPozzo
- * Pierre Gaudet (*)
- * Sylvie Pelelat
- * Howard G. Spetla Jr.
- * Patricia Theriault (*)

NOTE: The names marked by an asterisk (*) are Graduates of the Winter 2003 Course.

Before the hamfest successful candidates were Brad Hamer and Dougal Macdonald who passed the Amateur Radio Basic Qualification. As well, Robert Paknys, VE2JBP upgraded from Basic Qualification to Basic with Advanced Qualification.

In addition, Roland Theriault passed his Basic

Qualification a few weeks ago and now has the callsign VA2RPT.

Congratulations to all of the successful candidates.

73 de Vernon Erle Ikeda, VE2MBS

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COMMUNITY SUPPORT

BLAINVILLE CARRIAGE DRIVING EVENT

JUNE 21, 2003

VE2LZR Communications Group

Hi All,

I have been asked like in the past to provide communications for the Blainville Driving Event to be held on Saturday June the 21st in Blainville at the Blainville Equestrian Centre which is located about ten minutes north-east of the junction of Autoroutes 15 and 640, It is very easy to get to and there is lots of parking on-site. A pre-Event breakfast is supplied for those hardy volunteers.

You need 2 Metre equipment that will work for about 8 to 10 hours minimum as there is no electricity available, so being portable and self sufficient is a must - Also this is event is rain or shine.....

So again let me know if you are available for that day, as usual its from 8:00 - 8:30 A.M. to about 4:30 P.M.

73 de Ken (VE2EXC) for the VE2LZR Group

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CLASSIFIED

DEADLINE for classified ads is the second Wednesday before the monthly meeting.

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**ARMAND OZBASAR , VA2EE/V47NAM ,
EX-VE2NAM - SK**

January 16, 1944 - February 26, 2003

Arman Ozbasar died at age 59 in Port Angeles, WA. He was born in Istanbul, Turkey, to Hayik Kirkor and Siranus (Simonyan) Ozbasar.

He served with the Turkish Army as a radio specialist. During 30 years in Canada, he owned a picture gallery and framing service, as well as manufacturing fabric-covered buttons.

He came to Port Angeles three years ago to plant grapes, intending to harvest their leaves for commercial purposes. In addition to viticulture, Mr. Ozbasar's interests included Mediterranean cooking and ham radio.

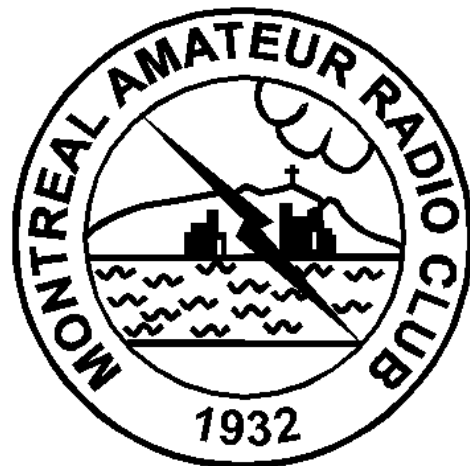
His first marriage was to Tanya Pesayan in Istanbul on May 9, 1971. They divorced about 1979. He married Colleen L. Imholte, who survives him in Port Angeles, on Aug. 26, 2000. Other survivors include his daughters, Natacha Ozbasar and Magalie Ozbasar, and stepdaughter Taylor Rickard.

A private memorial was held at the family home on March 8.

Armand was a good friend and an active CW operator and will be missed by all of us.

Info from David Melanson, VE2MPD
and Jon Bates - KD7ONC

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