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A MARC Monthly Newsletter

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Next meeting - Wednesday 27 September 2006

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

André Sipos, VA2ASS, will give a talk on "The Human Side of Amateur Radio"

St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish Church

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

(Please enter by the back door)

**This month is
membership Renewal time
Complete the form (page xii) and give your
fees + donations(s)
to our Treasurer**

**75TH Anniversary Logo Contest
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It is with deepest regrets that we have to announce the passing away of one of our radio amateur colleagues, Al Daemen, VE2IJ on June 27, 2006.

Born in 1915 in Shawinigan Falls, Quebec of Belgian parents, Albert Daemen was the oldest of 9 children. In his childhood, he lived in Belgium and, after, for two years in Washington DC where his father was secretary at the Belgian embassy in United States. Then, he came back in Canada, in Shawinigan Falls; his father owned a newspaper. At 16, he studied at the technical school and he got his first radio shack.

In 1936, he came to Montreal and worked for the Bell telephone company as a line man. From 1937 to 1942, he was CBC's Chef Engineer of sound effects. After he was hired by Advanced Transformer Company which became Roger Majestic and then Phillips Electronics as general manager of the lighting division. One of the major projects that he completed was the Olympic Stadium, and associated buildings. He retired at 65 and not happy, because he had to do something, he worked for Marconi in the communications division.



Mr Daemen was very active amateur radio world. He was one of the founders of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club and has remained active until his untimely passing. At the 1967 "Expo 67" World's Fair, he organized, at Bonaventure hotel, an International convention bringing together thousands of licensed amateurs from everywhere. This event was timed with the hotel's official opening. At this occasion, there was a large (10 feet wide) blueberry pie from Lac Saint-Jean. Al, had about 40 hams who helped with this convention.

After the Second World war, because of radio, his wife Georgette was able to retrace members of her family in France. Radio played the important part of saving a life. Al's (1) one year old grandson, was visiting in Morocco with his parents, and was bitten by a rabies cat. Luckily, with radio communications, he found passage on a airplane for the baby's transportation. In less than 24 hours, the child was transported to Sainte-Justine Hospital where he was taken care of. Mr Daemen was the husband of Georgette for 65 years and the proud father of two daughters. He had five grandchildren, of which one will take his grandfather's li-

cense, and four great-grandchildren.

He has been a model and an inspiration for his nephew André VE2NL. As a child André was fascinated by radios and communications. He would regularly visit his uncle in his shack.

Al was a builder of everything in Amateur radio. It is remembered of Al's visit to hamfests to purchase parts or equipment for some radio project. He had almost every radio manufactured, and prided himself on having a first class antenna installation. Al also helped new amateurs, and was generous with his time.

The amateur radio community lost a great man who worked hard to make it known and he was loved by everybody. Our sympathy is with Al's family and many friends as he will be missed by us all.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club, Inc. will be held on Wednesday, October 25th 2006 at eight o'clock in the evening at the St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish Church, 4455 West Broadway (corner Terrebonne) in N.D.G., Montreal.

The meeting is called to

- Receive and if thought fit, approve the reports of officers,
- Receive and if thought fit, approve the reports of auditor,
- Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Given at Montreal this 15th day of September. 2006

(sgd) Paul MacDougall Secretary. Paul MacDoougall, VA2YQ,

A Word from The President

Hello,

Fall is here judging by the cooler weather and that means that club activities are resuming. Hopefully you've all had a good summer.

The coming year will see MARC enter a significant year as 2007 is the club's 75th. anniversary. As you will see elsewhere in this issue we are starting to put together our plans for celebrating the milestone and I hope that you will all join in.

We are also working on our plans for the fleamarket and we need your input for this as there are two possible plans. One is to hold the event in LaSalle as we have been doing and the other would be to move the event to a larger hall and increase the scale of the event. The latter would require a much greater number of volunteers to make work as the cost of the hall alone would require our selling at least 100 tables to amateur radio and computer vendors. This would mean we need people to do advertising, contact potential vendors and help organize. It would be a significant effort and would require starting right after the meeting to organize. We will discuss this at the meeting at which point we will need to determine whether we have enough willing volunteers to organize a large fleamarket or if we would be better to hold the fleamarket in LaSalle and continue working to improve the event there.

Plans have also been firmed up for the Christmas dinner which will be held in late November this year. We hope that this will make it easier for more people to attend.

Please remember to renew your membership as early as possible. Vernon will be eagerly awaiting your completed membership forms and payment and the more members we have the more we can do.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting.

73 de Jim.

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Repeaters

VE2BG 147.06 MHz (+)

Owned and operated by Montreal Amateur radio Club. Located on the Point Claire water tower.

VE2RED 147.27 MHz (+)

Owned and operated by the Montreal Amateur radio Club.

VE2RJS 449.975 MHz (-)

Owned by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club and operated by the Cote St. Luc Amateur radio Association.

Meetings of the Board of Directors

Meetings of the Board of Directors are open to any member to attend. Board meetings are held on 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.

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James R. Hay, President

From the Editor's Desk

This month I have a few comments to make. First of all I should like to welcome back to the club from his training exercise in Ontario, Earl Paris, VE2ESP and his new guide dog Kirby. I had an opportunity earlier to record



an interview with Earl where he provided some of his experiences with his new assistant. Kirby is an 82 lb. black Labrador. I'm sure we all wish Earl much success in the continued training of Kirby to replace his old faithful, Wagner.

On Saturday September 2nd, I attended the OARC 10th annual hamfest at Carp, Ontario. I did plan to be there for the opening but due to some personal activity (Ok, I slept in), I arrived at around 11:30 A.M, but already many of the tables were cleared away. I did however remain to attend the two presentations by Peter Jennings, VE3SUN - IARU Beacon Project and the 2nd by Eric Meth, VE3EI - ICOM Canada - Digital Radio, D-Star technology where it is and where it's going..

IARU Beacon Project

The presentation on the NCDXF/IARU Beacon Network was interesting and for those who are not aware of it's purpose i'll cover briefly here. The NCDXF in cooperation with the IARU, constructed and operates a worldwide network of high-frequency radio beacons on 14.100, 18.110, 21.150, 24.930, and 28.200 mega-

Hertz. These beacons help both amateur and commercial high-frequency radio users assess the current condition of the ionosphere. The entire system is designed, built and operated by volunteers at no cost except for the actual price of hardware components, shipping costs, and so on.

Stan Huntting, KW7KW, wrote, "There are at least two possible explanations for an apparently dead band: 1) propagation is poor, or 2) no one is transmitting. The NCDXF/IARU International Beacon Network addresses the second of these possibilities by insuring that reliable signals are always on the air, around the clock, from fixed locations worldwide. With three minutes of listening for the beacons, one can find out either where a particular band is open or which band has the best propagation to a particular part of the world. More information can be found at <http://www.ncdxf.org/beacons.html>

D-Star technology

For more information regarding this subject, the following two groups have useful internet sites:

K5TIT D-Star Forum

<http://www.k5tit.org/forum/default.as>

Westcoast Amateur Radio Association, Victoria BC. VE7VIC and VA7VIC High Speed Data Radio project 2005 - 2006. The project is based on the ICOM ID1 D-star Data radios.

Purpose:

- The Westcoast Amateur Radio Association is installing the equipment for the use of all Amateurs To experiment with 1250 MHz.
- The project is a "global" project for all of the Amateur Emergency Services in Victoria and all surrounding areas.
- The project is equipment related. http://www.ve7vic.ca/dstar_wara.htm

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VA2RJC

Club Activities - Monthly Meetings

Club meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month. The meetings will be held in the Lounge which is the rearmost door on the South side of the unless we have reason to hold it in the Parish Hall which is the first door on the South side of the building. An informal flea-market and ragchew session starts at 19:30 with the formal meeting starting at 20:00. STM buses 51, 162, and 105 stop nearby.

2006 Hamfests

Saturday, October 28

Hamfest de la Rive Sud de Montreal. 1023 boulevard Taschereau, Longueuil, Quebec. **Admission:** Table \$10.00 Public \$5.00 **Vendors:** 06:00h, Public at 09:00h. **Talkin:** 145.390 **Information:** hamfest@ve2clm.ca, Website: <http://www.ve2clm.ca/hamfest.htm>

Submissions for entry into marcOgram

For submissions of text only it is preferable that you send as a ".txt" file, however, MS Word is acceptable.

For pictures please use "jpg" format with maximum size 400 x 240. Where possible use at least 240 dpi.

For clip art if possible use "gif". Maximum size 480 x 340 pix. This will give a picture size of approximately 8 Kb.

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Editorial by John Grow VE2EQL

REST IN PEACE Montreal Amateur Radio Club VE2ARC (Silent Key) 1932 - 2006

It is with our deepest sympathy that we offer our condolence for the passing of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club. It held on to life for 74 years. So much of what it had to offer died and is forever lost. The cause of death was a lack of involvement & participation from its members.

The older hams stated that they paid their dues, and could offer no more.

The mid-aged hams were too busy with work, family, wife, and a million things to do.

The younger ham, did not know, and were busy surviving in these tough times.

The new comers did not come; they did not know what Ham radio was about.

Our family, friends, lovers, girlfriends, wives and children looked upon Amateur Radio as anti-social, spending all free time, in front of a radio. Spending hard-earned cash on our toys

Many of you might be confused reading the above text. Is this the end of the MARC? That depends.

As a radio club we are a group of people who have come together from all walks of life, and social classes and various ages. We are drawn by our love, interest for amateur radio. We have all the types of Hams you could think of. We have the contesters, QRP'ers, VHF'ers, Rag-chewers, Builders, Forever CW types, and a mix of all of the above. A club is a lot more, than just a name, and payment of dues each year.

WE NEED YOUR HELP, AND YOUR INPUT.

- **Montreal Amateur Radio support for Scouts on the Air (JOTA)**

49th Jamboree on the Air - 21-22 October 2006

JOTA is an annual event in which about 500,000 Scouts and Guides all over the world make contact with each other by means of amateur radio. It is a real Jamboree during which Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas are shared, thus contributing to the world brotherhood of Scouting The JOTA is a worldwide event. Units may operate for 48 hours or any part thereof, from Saturday 00.00 h until Sunday 24.00 h local time. It is for members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), and also for members of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS).

- **HELP IS REQUIRED;** We will have a portable station for HF and VHF. We need help with antennas, equipment, talking with the kids to explain amateur radio. It does not matter if you can bring any equipment or help in setting up antennas. We need help. We are trying to get 5 scouting groups together for the JOTA in one common location.
- **Montreal Amateur Radio Table at the Longueuil Hamfest**, promoting the club and repeaters. Flyers would be made available for new members, etc. **HELP IS REQUIRED, PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE DIRECTORS FOR DETAILS (The hamfest is Saturday, October 28th)**

We need help if we are going to have a 75 Anniversary of the MARC. Below are areas where help is required.

- 75th Anniversary Logo Design Contest, which will be used on correspondence, QSL cards, etc.
 1. Catalog all entries. Confirm entries. Assemble judging team. Select Prizes. Help with contest at AGM.
- 75th Anniversary Dinner with RAQI AGM
 1. Our idea is to have our 75th Anniversary dinner the evening of the RAQI AGM meeting in Montreal. We would be the host, so

we have to find a location, communicate with RAQI, and deal with a catering company. Plan the event. Run the event.

2. Help find prizes, do the publicity, create the flyers (with help) Co-ordinate all activities and timetables. Interface with all parties.
- 75th Special Event Station, with some possible display material, and public location.
 1. Arrange time and location; communicate with members, on required resources. Publish the event station to all media outlets, newspapers, Internet, etc...
 2. Create flyers, hand-outs (with our help)
 3. Interface with Ville du Montreal for location, and assistance.
- 75th Anniversary QSL cards for MARC members.
 1. Work with selected winning drawing for QSL cards.
 2. Discuss for pricing on QSL cards, delivery, etc...
 3. Communicate pricing to MARC members.

At the May 2006, a 75th Anniversary Slide Show was presented. We asked for help. Time is getting shorter. Are we going to wake up already in 2007 with no action plan? Hopefully, we might have the power point presentation on the MARC website. If you want a copy, please email me.

As you can see, there are a lot of areas where we need help. If we are going to do a 75th Anniversary hamfest, is it going to be something that hams in Quebec, and Northern New England would be talking about. Or do we go back to the same old location, where we only have 15% of our MARC members show up.

The Board of Directors cannot be expected to do everything all at once. If you look at some Francophone clubs or American Clubs, or even across Canada, there are successful clubs with involved members. Why can't we do this at the MARC?

The Board of Directors has been working to get the VE2RED repeater back

on the air. Tower locations, or very high building access is all tied up in commercial radio. The good will of the amateur community is rapidly shrinking. Presently, we are looking at a site, where there are going to be expenses. We are going to be expected to do an installation, per the telecom industry standard. We might have to provide our repeater with an enclosed equipment cabinet, new antenna, added expenses. The dues will not cover these expenses. So, areas that we can make some money to pay for all of this has to be looked at. This is where the MARC hamfest, comes into play. And possibly some other events, or actions to raise money. We are open and listening patiently for ideas or help.

If we do not get any help for the 75th. Anniversary and the Hamfest, we will have to examine what tasks are possible with the resources at hand. As with any organization, it is a team effort, where all the members have input. We are asking for everybody to get involved in some way to help out. With that, I would also like to remind everybody that attending our next meeting, September 27th. Wednesday would be a good start.

Please note; comments, criticism, or offers to help are welcome and accepted.

John Grow VE2EQL

Field Day in Northern Vermont

by Art Horovitch VE2AHH

I was invited to participate in field day at the mountain home of Brian Riley N1BQ, through a mutual friend John Grow VE2EQL. John has been attending the Northern Vermont QRP Society field day event for several years, and has been bugging me to go, so this year I decided to give it a try.

Brian's home is located part-way up the western slope of Mount Mansfield, not far from Stowe, VT, which is famous as a northeastern ski resort. Brian, and his wife Sara, W1SLR have built a very spacious log cabin, which is completely off the grid. Power is supplied by a bank of approximately 16 solar panels fed to a large battery bank and two inverters, which power

everything in his house. A 6 KW Yamaha backup generator supplies power when the solar cells do not get enough sunlight. Brian has a Jotl wood stove, which heats the entire downstairs, except for a small propane heater which is against one wall to be used on extremely cold nights in January and February. His appliances are energy-saving types and he even has an instant-on water heater with no energy-wasteful hot water tank. His solar system would be the envy of any Rv'er, but of course most of us don't have room for 16 solar panels and the attendant storage batteries.

The trip to Vermont is only about 2 hours from our home campground near Montreal. Unfortunately June 24 is also the day of the national holiday in Quebec, so we got caught up in a 1.5 hour wait to cross the border into the US. John waited even longer, about 3.5 hours, when he went through a different border crossing. I guess they have to check that all those Canadians are not bringing any mad cows across. We arrived around 3 PM on Friday and found that work was already in progress to set up some antennas. It was a beautiful day for working outside, and we set to work raising a tri-bander beam, a 6-meter beam and a 2-meter vertical all on one mast. The mast is a US Army surplus called the "rocket launcher" because it looks like a bunch of 5 foot rocket tubes. These are placed one at a time into a special lifting cradle using a crank, then a new one is placed underneath it using a special brake and crank system to raise all 10 tubes to a height of 50 ft. Guys are added at the top, middle and lower sections as the mast is raised. While several of us were working on that, another ham, Seabury Lyon, AA1MY, got out his slingshot and spinning reel to launch two random wire, open -feed line dipoles about 50 ft up into the trees. It was amazing to watch Seabury launch a fishing sinker into the trees and the reel unwind the fishing line. The dipoles were placed at right angles and led into the operating tent so the orientation could be switched. Two separate tuners and a two way switch were installed at the operating position.

At 7 PM it was time to break for supper, and what a delicious meal it was. Choice of chicken or beef, several kinds of vegetable dishes, Sara's special noodle kugel, and dessert of pastries and a special birthday cake for Brian. We all sang Happy Birthday for his 60th. Saturday morning, we moved into the house at 8AM for coffee, bagels and fruit, then proceeded to finish setting up and waited for the two PM start time..

Art, VE2AHH, copied the CW bulletin from ARRL at 10 AM for another 100 bonus points.

We stopped for lunch at 12:30, cold cuts, cheeses, potato salad, bean salad, and fresh strawberries from a local market garden. Delicious. By 2 PM we were ready and began with 2A low power and battery power for multipliers. Rigs were Icom 703 on HF, Yaesu FT-817 on VHF. All rigs operated at 5 watts or less. Seabury and Art banged out the CW contacts at about 25 WPM, alternating operating and logging duties. The program had a few bugs in it and we found them all. Sometimes we had to stop just to correct problems with the program. We took a break around 4:30, then continued till supper around 7 PM. It was great to just leave the radios and enjoy a very nice communal meal again.

By 9 PM, we were out in the tents again till about 11:30, when I quit but Seabury continued a while longer, Brian was up most of the night and I kept hearing him yell "Quebec Sierra" off and on all night as he worked 20, 15 and 40 meter phone. At 3 AM I got up to replace Seabury, but had a hard time, as I did not understand how he had adjusted the tuners. I kept get contradictory readings of SWR and power output. I found out the next morning that I had pressed the 'tuner' button on the IC-703, so the two tuners were fighting each other. I gave up in frustration around 4AM and went to bed dreaming of Quebec Sierra again as Brian continued working phone on various bands.

At 8AM we were up for breakfast, croissants, bagels and various kinds of cheese and fruit. Operating until 2 PM when a cheer went up from the tents to signal the end of Field Day. I took a break from CW around 12:30 and went over to the phone tent, where my XYL Suzan did the logging for about an hour.. I found the SSB contacts much slower than CW, but still a nice change. Late lunch of hamburgers made by Art on the grill, and various salads. The hamburgers were Costco specials and were huge!. After lunch we took down all the antennas and masts, then packed everything up for the next event. It was a great weekend and I'm looking forward to another one next year.

Brian reported about 680 contacts, with about 255 being CW, counting for two points each. With the multipliers of 10 for low power and battery operation, the score of approximately 9000 will be about double what it was last year.

The NVQS has another event in January called FYBO. Since it's mid-winter FYBO stands for 'Freeze your Butt OFF'. Operations are again low-power and outside, set up on a picnic table. As I expect to be in Florida for the winter, I do not plan to 'Freeze My Butt off.'

MARCOGRAM PODCAST

by rjcam the video ham - VA2RJC

I am planning to produce a reduced version of the marcOgram in an audio format. This format will follow the standard production procedures using podcast methods. It is an experiment and if successful it could lead to future developments in the media presentation for radio amateurs.

The coverage will include an outline of the up-coming activities of MARC plus any other ham activities or stories that would deem to be of interest to our members.

I will also attempt to interview someone with an interesting story to tell.

So you may ask, what is a podcast and how can I use it???

A podcast is an audio presentation that you can download onto your computer and listen to whenever you want.

What do you need?

You need a computer with a sound card and an internet connection. You will also need a media playing software such as Windows Media Player, for the PC environment and iTunes for Mac computers and of course speakers or headphones. Oh, iTunes can also be downloaded free on Windows machines.

If you wish the podcasts to be transportable, you'll need a portable MP3 media player such as an iPod or iRiver. You'll need to transfer the podcasts from your computer to your MP3 player.

At the present I have to overcome one or two technical problems such as where the podcast will be maintained and will the site have sufficient bandwidth to support a hopefully successful podcast.

I will be happy if any of you will be willing to give me support in this venture. I have thoughts of recording some interesting over-the-air conversations (all parties in agreement) so think about it, and let me please have your comments. My plan is to produce the first podcast by early October and from then onwards on a bi-monthly basis. I have one interview that I will start off with, but would like any good snippets of information.

Contact me;
Ron va2rjc@videotron.ca or by telephone 514-767-2804.

SMALL ADS

FOR SALE:

First. We have been approached by a member of the public who requested our assistance.
I have my father's old short wave radio which I inherited years ago and has

been sitting in a closet as no one was interested in using it.

This radio has been sitting in storage since 1972. It is a Hammarlund general coverage receiver, if I remember correctly what my father used to call it. And in it's day it must have been a top end machine, as I recall him telling me that the president of the US had this same equipment in the White House.

To get to the point, I'm going to be moving from Montreal to PEI in the near future, and don't really want to be carting this thing around with me, it is quite heavy!

I believe the radio lights up when plugged in, but there are a couple of tubes missing, are these things still available today? Other than that, it is in very clean condition with no rust.

Any help you might be able to provide would be most appreciated. I am including my cellphone number if that is easier: 514-812-4635

Regards,
Leslie W. Jané
mailto:leslie_jane@videotron.ca

Second a call from John Verkade, VE2PTZ, who wants to sell his TS-940 along with station accessories and a Mosely beam. He can be reached at 514-453-8565

Third, Don Dashney, VE3RM/VE2SH has all manner of amateur radio magazines, QST, Amsat Journal, TCA etc. which he wants to divest himself of. Anyone interest in these magazines, contact Don (613-675-4715).

From the BOD

We are looking for a new auditor to start in 2007.

LOGO RULES

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Any design or drawing submitted by you to the Montreal Amateur Radio Club shall be the property of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club.

The winner may not request substitution of the prize.

The entries shall be received at or before 8 p.m. on October 25th, 2006

LOGO PARAMETERS

The Logo shall include the words "Montreal Amateur Radio Club", and a reference to Montreal, Amateur Radio and the 75th anniversary of the Club. The Logo must be reproducible in color and/or black and white.

For electronic format:

Size: preferably no larger than 5" x 7" with a minimum of 150 dpi and a maximum of 300 dpi. Graphic preferably not larger than 3 M.

Print format:

No bigger than 8" x 11" on quality matte paper.

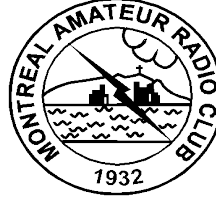
PRIZE

To be determined. This will be announced as soon as the prize has been secured.

LOGO SUBMISSION

Email: ve2arc@rac.ca no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday October 25, 2006 or by hand delivery at the MARC meeting on the same date.

Montreal Amateur Radio Club



Holiday Dinner

Merry Christmas



Door Prizes
Good Food
Great Company

Date: Saturday November 25th. 2006

Time: 6:30 PM Sharp

Where: **La Compagnola**
1708 Avenue Dollard
Lasalle, Quebec
Tel: 514-363-4066

Free Parking

RRSP: Roman Massanova, VE2RKM
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Response required by:

November 19th. 2006

- Bring your Own Wine

We will have our own enclosed separate area, only if we have 48 to 50 persons. It is important to call to reserve your place. Friends and family are welcome.

Late edition: There will be a selection of 5 to 6 choices from a fixed menu. This will include coffee, tea and desert. The costs will be about \$ 18.00 to \$ 25.00 per person with Taxes. Its
a bring your own wine restaurant so this is a plus for the vino connoisseurs.

OK People, let's have a good holiday get-together

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Hommage à monsieur Albert Daemen VE2IJ

Né en 1915, à Shawinigan Falls de parents belges, Albert Daemen est l'aîné de 9 enfants. Durant son enfance, il vécut quelques années en Belgique et, ensuite, deux ans à Washington DC, car son père était secrétaire à l'ambassade de la Belgique aux États-Unis. Puis ce fut le retour au Canada, à Shawinigan Falls où son père était propriétaire d'un journal. À 16 ans, il entreprit ses études à l'école technique. C'est alors qu'il eut son premier shack.

En 1936, il arriva à Montréal et travailla pour la compagnie de téléphone Bell comme "line man". Puis, il devint chef-bruiteur à Radio-Canada de 1937 à 1942. Ensuite, il fut engagé par la compagnie Advanced Transformer qui deviendra Roger Majestic puis, Phillips par la suite comme gérant général du "lighting division". Un de ses principaux projets fut le Stade Olympique. Il y prit sa retraite à 65 ans. Après, comme il voulait à s'occuper, il travailla pour la compagnie Marconi dans la division des communications.

Monsieur Daemen était très actif dans le milieu radioamateur, Il fut d'ailleurs un des fondateurs du



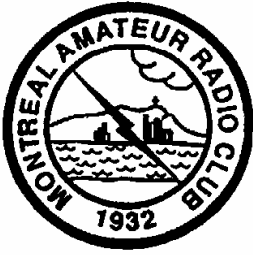
MARC. À l'occasion de l'EXPO 67, il a organisé, à l'hôtel Bonaventure, une convention internationale réunissant des radioamateurs de partout au monde. Il reçut l'aide d'une quarantaine d'amateurs à cette occasion. Cet événement correspondait à l'ouverture officielle de l'hôtel. Même qu'il y eut une gigantesque (10 pieds de diamètre) tarte aux bleuets du Lac Saint-Jean.

Grâce à la radio, son épouse Georgette put retrouver, après la deuxième guerre mondiale, des membres de sa famille en France. Plus tard son petit-fils

alors âgé d'un an, en visite au Maroc avec ses parents, fut mordu par un chat ayant la rage. Par bonheur, avec les communications par la radio, on a pu trouver les avions nécessaires au transport de l'enfant. En moins de 24 heures, l'enfant fut transporté à l'hôpital Sainte-Justine de Montréal où il fut soigné.

Monsieur Daemen fut l'époux de Georgette pendant 65 ans et le fier père de deux filles. Il avait cinq petits-enfants, dont un prendra la licence de son grand-père, et quatre arrière-petits-enfants.

Il fut aussi un modèle et une inspiration pour son neveu André VE2NL. Celui-ci, enfant, était fasciné par les radios, les communications et venait le visiter régulièrement à son shack. Albert Daemen était un constructeur dans la radioamateur. On se souvient de ses visites dans les hamfests à la recherche de pièces pour quelque projet. Il possédait plusieurs radios et il était très fier de son antenne de première classe. Il a aussi aidé de nombreux amateurs et il était généreux de son temps. La communauté radioamateur a perdu un grand homme qui travailla fort pour faire connaître la com-



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