

**HALIFAX AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**  
**Monthly Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017**  
**Minutes**

The June monthly meeting of the Halifax Amateur Radio Club was declared open at 20:32 hrs with Don (VE1DTR) in the Chair.

Self Introductions: There were 23 members present.

**Silent Keys:** Howard reported the following silent keys for May/June 2017:

<a href="#">Jean-Guy Landry</a>	VE9BUF	St.-Marie-de-Kent NB	Jun.13th, 2017
<a href="#">Helen Marguerite Wade MacRae</a>	VE1HMR	Halifax NS	May 27th, 2017
<a href="#">Annette Elizabeth MacKenzie</a>	VE1BXJ	Kentville NS	May22nd,2017
<a href="#">William Albert Grundy</a>	VE1AHG	Truro NS	May 22nd,2017
<a href="#">Esther Madeline Stewart</a>	VE1VWS	Paradise NS	May16th,2017

**Motion to approve the May monthly meeting minutes** as published in the June 2017 edition of the HARC Reflector was made by Bill (VE1MR) ; seconded by Scott (VE1QD); Carried.

**President's Report:** Don had nothing specific to report under this topic.

**Treasures report:** Jim (VE1JG) presented the Treasurer's report for the month of May 2017. There was an opening bank balance for 1 May 2017 was \$7,207.23. Total income for the month of May was \$468.50 with expenses of \$459.35. There was one outstanding cheque in the amount of \$300.00, therefore our cash position at the end of the month of May was \$ 7,216.38. Major upcoming expenses are Club Insurance (\$1,518.00) and \$1,800.00 that is being held in trust for HATS that will be paid out soon. This will then leave the Club with an actual account balance of \$3.898.38. A copy of the full report is appended to the official hard copy of these minutes.k

**Motion to approve the May report of the Treasurer** - Moved by Jim (VE1JG) Seconded by Craig (VE1JMA) Carried.

**Executive Reports:** There were no other reports from members of the Executive.

**Committee/Project Reports:**

- **Basic Course** - Tom (VE1GTC) indicated that at this time there is no designated Coordinator for the 2017 Basic Amateur Radio Course; he indicated that he is willing to help out, but, we need someone to take charge.
- **CW Course Report** - Don (VE1DTR) reported that the course is over but as yet, no one has written the 5 wpm test. He indicated that he was very happy with the distance education approach and will do it again next year.
- **Search and Rescue/EMO** - No report

- **Membership** - Howard (VE1DHD) indicated that as of this evening, there were 4 Life; 115 Full & 29 Associate members for a total of 148; of the Full and Life members 52 are members of RAC.
- **Flea Market Update** - Marc (VE1BEL) reported on the 2017 Down East Flea Market. A copy of his complete report is appended to the hard copy of these minutes. Marc reported that the overall attendance this year was 219, up a bit from last year, with 65 vendor tables. The net profit for the event was \$742.09. However, Marc also indicated that we need to start planning for next year because we will not have access to the St. Andrew's Centre. As a result we need to look for a suitable facility for 2018. Marc's report made some excellent recommendations that should be acted upon for next year. The membership recognized the hard work and planning of Marc and his team.
- **Field Day Update** - Don's Field Day presentation outlined the planning that has taken place to this point.
- **NSARA** - Bill (VE1MR) indicated that the NSARA meeting had to be cancelled because of illness in the family of Tom and Shirley Cohoon - NSARA President and Secretary respectively. They are hoping to have either a Director's meeting or picnic later in the summer. Bill indicated that he has been busy maintaining the provincial repeater network. Don asked about the VE1PKT repeater; Bill indicated that VE1PSR is currently his priority but he will get to the VE1PKT repeater as soon as he can.

#### **Old Business:**

- **St Andrews Move Report** – Bill (VE1MR) indicated that the West Street Fire Station off of Agricola St. will provide three rooms for HARC when the St. Andrew's Centre is closed. Bill was concerned that this may not be the best option as there is no large meeting room that would handle more than a dozen or so; the largest room would be fine for the Executive meeting, but we would need to rent space for the monthly meetings; parking in this area is also a big problem. Bill hopes that EMO will continue to look for other more suitable space.
- **Scout Jamboree** – July 2017 – Tom (VE1GTC) reported on the upcoming Jamboree - July 10 - 13 - and outlined the expectations of HARC in terms of providing radio equipment for the week, as well as designated operators from our Club to oversee the use and operation of the radio station by the Scouts. He requested additional help with setup and takedown, as well as operator/overseers.
- **Maritime Museum** - Bill (VE1ALW) indicated that they are expecting a large group of children at the Museum this coming week and he is currently short of help; he needs a couple of people who are HF qualified, have had a security check and can do CW to assist him this week.

#### **New Business:**

- **Club apparel** - Jim (VE1JG) indicated that our stock of most of the Club apparel has been exhausted, so he has placed an order for new golf shirts/T-shirts/ball caps. The supplier prices have gone up slightly - golf shirts will be \$22 each and \$25.50 for xxl; caps will be \$15 and tea shirts will be \$18 and \$21 for xxl. He expects the merchandise to arrive in two weeks.

**Ticket draws:** Door Prize – \$10 TH gift certificate – Howard (VE1DHD)  
50/50 Draw – \$23.60 - Bob (VE1PQ)

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Bill (VE1MR) at 21:11 hrs.

Respectfully submitted by Howard Dickson (VE1DHD) Secretary on 28 June 2017.