

Newsletter of the Ottawa Valley Mobile Radio Club Incorporated



Oct 2010



Field Day 2010
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VE3JW MMA SEPTEMBER RESULTS

There were no guest operators in September, but VE3JW was very active with approximately 300 visitors recorded, and 140 QSOs.

There were some good operating conditions in September and we got to make some nice contacts, including a satellite contact to Wales

September results

Made by Guests and Visitors:

** no guest operators **

Edition 55

Made by regular ops:

6. Best SSB QSO (Distance): VE3GBD to HA8JV, 6958 km

7. Best CW QSO (Distance): VE3VCF to W3BI, 538 km

8. Best HF Digital QSO (Distance): VE3HAZ to UA6BRP 8086 km

9. Best Satellite QSO (Distance): VE3OIJ to GW0UDJ, 5096 km

10. Best D-Star QSO (Distance): none logged

Many operators had contacts close to these in distance, and everyone whose call appears here should be congratulated for September.

* Five QSO list for Sep 2010: VE3LTN, VE3HAZ, VE3OIJ, VE3VIG, VA3CMD, VE3VCF,VA3FTF

* Most contacts for Sep 2010:

- Guest op, none;

- Regular op, VE3OIJ, 42.

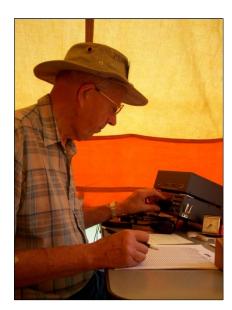
* Total QSOs at VE3JW for Sep 2010: 140 Volunteers hours for Sep 2010:

This month our operators have totalled 97 hours and 20 minutes.

Good work all, and let's see some visiting operators making contacts!

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Web site:

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MINUTES, OVMRC GENERAL MEETING, September 30, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER

The President, Michel VE3EMB, called the meeting to order at 19:45. There were 30 people in attendance. Beth VA3CEW chaired the meeting.

2. BUSINESS

2.1 Bureau

The Bureau is holding QSL cards for the following amateurs: VE3FEP, VE3FPH, VA3ZK, VA3DN, VA3MI, VE3BFX, VA3ML and VA3ZAK. Please advise those amateurs that you know.

2.2 Presentation of Show and Tell Prizes

Beth VA3CEW presented the prizes won at the Show and Tell held on May 20, 2010. Winners also received a certificate.

- a) Portable Category: First Prize, Bob VA3QV; Second Prize, Roger VE3NPO.
- b) Mobile Category: First Prize, Richard VE3RNM; Second Prize, Larry, formerly VE3WEH, posthumously.
- c) Mobile Advanced Category: First Prize, Maurice-André VE3VIG; Second Prize, Darin VE3OIJ.

2.3 Appointment of Auditor

MOVED by Michel VE3EMB and seconded by Paul VE3NJS that Darin VE3OIJ be appointed auditor of the Club accounts for the fiscal year 2009-2010. CARRIED

2.4 Budget for 2010-2011

Robert VA3SHO presented the budget for 2010-2011. The largest item in the budget is some \$4,500 earmarked to replace the equipment at the Club repeater VE3TWO. Whether or not to replace that equipment, and how best to replace it, if it were to be replaced, have been the subject of ongoing discussions among the Executive of the Club for the past several years.

Members need to decide how they wish to proceed. The repeater is currently functional, but there are major issues involved. The equipment is decades old and repairs to it, when it malfunctions, are problematic. Timely access to the repeater site on the roof of 580 Booth Street is difficult and requires the Club to pay for a security guard. Use of the repeater appears to have declined among Club members.

There ensued a lively exchange of ideas among members that further contributed to the understanding of the decisions facing the Club. There appears to have been a considerable drop in use, not only of the Club repeater, but also of other repeaters in the Ottawa area over the last ten years. Prime sites to locate antennas are in high demand and where available, liability insurance is a strict requirement for access.

Members expressed a desire to continue to have access to repeaters. Rather than replacing the equipment at the current site or installing new equipment at some new unspecified location, it may be more advantageous to the amateur radio community at large for the Club to contribute to the maintenance and operation of a repeater owned by another local club or organization.

Members agreed that a working group should be struck to examine in more depth the issues related to the Club repeater. In light of these discussions, the budget will be reviewed by the new Executive of the Club and submitted to members for a vote.

2.5 Club Executive for 2010-2011

a) The following members were elected officers of the Club for 2010-2011:

President: Michel VE3EMB

Vice-President: Darin

VE3OIJ

Secretary: Joe VE3EUS

Treasurer: Robert VA3SHO

b) The following members were elected as committee chairs or as executives at large:

Ante VA2BBW (Historical)

Beth VA3CEW (Assistant Treasurer)

Beth VA3CEW (General Meetings)

Bill VA3WMH (Newsletter Publisher)

Bob VA3QV (Special Events, including Field Day)

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Robert VE2AGE (Newsletter Editor)

Glenn VE3XRA (Executive at large)

Mathieu VA3ECM (Executive at large)

Nicholas VA3LVE (Executive at large)

c) The following chair is vacant:

Programs and Publicity

3 DOOR PRIZES AND DRAWS

Proceeds of the 50:50 ticket sales were \$52.00. The 50:50 draw (\$26.00) was won by Patrick VA3CMD.

Most of the attendees won books and various other door prizes. The majority of the prizes were provided courtesy of Paulette Wilcox and the estate of the late Larry Wilcox (formerly VE3WEH). Other prizes were supplied by the Club.

4. UPCOMING CLUB MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Club Executive will be held at 19:00 on Thursday, October 7, 2010 at the Canada Science and Technology Museum.

The next general meeting of the Club will be held at 19:30 on Thursday, October 28, 2010 at the Canada Science and Technology Museum, one week later than normally scheduled.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 21:00 at which time many of the attendees proceeded, as is customary, to the local coffee shop to talk radio.

6. SIGNED

Joe VE3EUS, Secretary

2010 Club Meeting Dates:

- October 28
- November 18
- December 16 (Christmas Party)
- January 20, 2011
- February 17
- March 17
- April 21
- May 19
- June 16

2010 Exec Meeting Dates:

- November 4
- December 2
- January 6, 2011
- February 3
- March 3
- April 7
- May 5

International Lightship Weekend

Photos courtesy of Michel Barbeau



Figure 1 - The actor playing the lighthouse keeper with Bob (VA3QV). Guy Marsan, the actor, was playing the role or Norman McLeod, the 3rd guardian of the lighthouse (1899-1912).

Figure 2 - Joe (VE3EUS) and Bob (VA3QV) installing a 80m dipole.



Figure 3 - Joe (VE3EUS) ready to throw a rope in the trees.



Figure 4 - Graham (VE3GDB) operating.

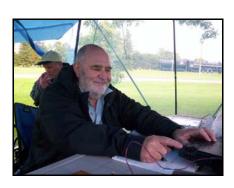


Figure 5 - Joe (VE3EUS) operating.



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2010 Field Day Entry Form 2010 Rules

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Thanks for using the web to submit your 2010 ARRL Field Day entry. Print this page to use as proof that you submitted your entry.

Call Used: VE3RAM GOTA Station Call: (none) ARRL/RAC Section: **ON** Class: 4A

Club/Group Name: A Participants: 30

Power Source(s): Generator

Power Multiplier: 2X

Bonus Points:

Description	Points
100% Emergency power	400
Set-up in Public Place	100
NTS message to ARRL SM/SEC	100
W1AW Field Day Message	100
Formal NTS messages handled - No. = 7	70
Submitted via the Web	50
Total Bonus Points	820

Score Summary:

	CW	Digital	Phone	Total	
Total QSOs	72	О	325		
Total Points	144	0	325	469	Claimed Score = 938

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Comments:

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Band/Mode QSO Breakdown:

	cw		Digital		Phone	
	QSOs	Pwr(W)	QSOs	Pwr(W)	QSOs	Pwr(W)
160m						
80m					67	100
40m					74	100
20m	72	100			55	100
15m					105	100
10m					16	100
6m					8	100
2m						
1.25						
Other						
Satellite						
GOTA						
Total	72		О		325	

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