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# The Feedline

SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

## VE5DN



### Bill (VE5DN) Station Setup:-

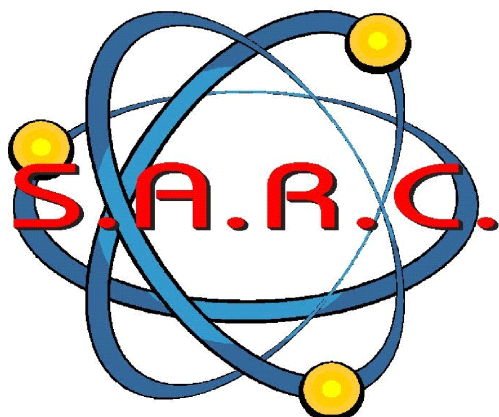
14 inch color TV for news etc. and also to use on ATV. Main computer is a 750 meg. for mostly ham stuff. A 166 meg for other ham programs i.e. slow scan etc.

Rig is Kenwood with a TS830s remote vfo monitor, and antenna tuner.

2meter setup with ATV transmitter and down converter.

.....All this has taken approximately 40 years to accumulate. I still have my old swan 350 that still works. it accompanied me on a lot of road trips over Saskatchewan, north, south, east and west.

All in all this hobby is fantastic. World wide I have no idea how many contacts I have made. It would be in the thousands. So all enjoy the hobby. You never know who you will run into on the air. 73 all, VE5DN



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**Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club  
Meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
of each month September til June.**

**Our meeting location is Alvin  
Buckwold School  
715 East Drive – West entrance  
Meeting is 0130Z (7:30PM local)  
VISITORS AND GUESTS ARE  
ALWAYS WELCOME!**

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### Articles Wanted

- \* Community service events
- \* Home-brew projects
- \* New product reviews (by you)
- \* Fotos, fotos, fotos of club events
- \* Repeater activities
- \* New Hams - pictures & bios.
- \* Old Hams – pictures & bios.
- \* Fotos of members, special activities, celebrations, recognition awards, etc.

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## **NEXT CLUB MEETING**

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

7:30 PM

ALVIN BUCKWOLD SCHOOL

715 East Drive

West entrance

**BE THERE!**

## CONTESTS

**May 3-4** 10-10 Int. Spring  
Contest—CW

**May 3-4** New England QSO  
Party--CW/Ph

**May 11** FISTS Spring Sprint—CW

**May 17-18** His Majesty King of  
Spain Contest—CW

**May 24-25** CQ WW WPX  
Contest—CW

**May 26-27** MI QRP Memorial Day  
CW Sprint

**May 31-June 1** Great Lakes QSO  
Party--Phone/CW/RTTY/PSK31

For further information on contests refer  
to TCA, CQ & QST magazines.

# COFFEE

**Saturdays at 10 AM**  
Smiley's on 8<sup>th</sup> St.

**Everyone is welcome. Hams,  
non-Hams, it doesn't matter.**

**Were there to have good  
conversation with good  
friends.**

**C'mon out and visit!**

## MINUTES

### SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

April 8, 2003

President Andy, VE5APD opened the meeting at 7:30 P.M with a welcome to all.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were adopted as circulated in the FEEDLINE, on a motion by Les, VE5LPP, seconded by Ned, VE5NED, carried.

The Treasurer's report and proposed budget for the coming year were presented by Al, VE5MDC. The budget was accepted on a motion by Ron, VE5RMS seconded by Jim, VE5JIM, carried.

(Report and proposed budget filed.) At this time, Herb, VE5HE moved a vote of thanks to the treasurer for his work on behalf of our club.

Ned, VE5NED reported that ham classes were "pretty well finished" and we now have five new hams. Two people will be writing their test this week and another two the following week.

Ken, VE5KRB reported that the Wednesday evening workshops had concluded for this term.

Herb, VE5HE advised that no formal CW classes were currently operating but he offered to work with anyone interested in the practice. Classes were again planned for Wednesday nights in the fall if interest and commitment warrants.

Bruce, VE5BNC reported that plans were going ahead to assist with communications for the MS Walk on April 27. Additional volunteers can always be accepted!

Retiring president Andy, VE5APD then opened the meeting for nominations for executive positions for the coming term:

#### **For President:**

Ron, VE5RMS was nominated by Warren, VA5WDB seconded by Bob, VE5RGM; he was declared elected by acclamation and resigned from his position as director.

#### **Secretary:**

Herb, VE5HE was nominated by Ron, VE5RMS, seconded by John, VA5RJA; he was declared elected by acclamation.

#### **2-year directors:**

Warren, VA5WDB was nominated by Colleen, VE5CMG seconded by Wally, VE5IX

Ned, VE5NED was nominated by Les, VE5LPP seconded by Gus, VE5SPI

Bob, VE5NFG was nominated by Warren, VA5WDB seconded by Leigh, VE5LEE

The candidates were asked to leave the room during the vote.

The 2-year directors elected are Warren, VA5WDB and Ned, VE5NED.

1-year director to complete term vacated by Ron, VE5RMS:

Bob, VE5NFG was nominated by Ron, VE5RMS, seconded by John, VA5RJA and was declared elected by acclamation.

Les, VE5LPP will be an honorary member of the executive as FEEDLINE Editor.

As discussed at the recent executive meeting, Warren, VA5WDB asked Bruce, VE5BNC to look into the matter of installing an APRS digipeater at Davidson when this is feasible. Bruce agreed to look into the matter.

Ron, VE5RMS showed a short program entitled "Amateur Radio Today" narrated by Walter Kronkite. This is an excellent vehicle to show non hams to promote our hobby.

The 50/50 draw was won by Bill Lampman, VE5BG. Congratulations Bill!

Ken, VE5KRB again reminded us of the Little Bear Amateur Radio Club's open house during the weekend of June 21<sup>st</sup> and welcomed a good visitation.

After the coffee break, Ken, VE5KRB introduced our guest speaker for the evening. Dr. George Sofko of the Dept. Of Physics at the U. of S., gave us a most interesting talk on "Superdarn". This is the international radar network to study "space weather". The Saskatoon antennas for this project are located on the Kernan farm, just northeast of the city. Thanks to Dr. Sofko for such an interesting presentation and thanks Ken for inviting our guest.

Once again, our coffee lady Colleen, VE5CMG, also provided us with some of her delicious baked goodies, and I mean DELICIOUS! Thanks from all of us Colleen!



Herb Essenburg, VE5HE - Secretary

**ALL SWAP AND SHOP  
ADS ARE FREE TO  
S.A.R.C. MEMBERS**

### **NEW HAMS**

The following passed their basic in April:  
Volker Polan, Barb Polan, Nathan Mirva,  
Howard Fichtner, Aaron Fichtner, Konrad  
Eyvindson, Jim Ruchotzke, Tim Spence &  
John Spence.

# Your new executive!

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, the Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club elected it's executive for the coming term. Participants include:

Immediate Past President, Andy Paquet – VE5APD  
President, Ron Sather – VE5RMS  
Secretary, Herb Essenburg – VE5HE  
2-year Directors, Ned Carroll – VE5NED and Warren Beaulé, VA5WDB  
1-year Director, Bob Hilton – VE5NFG  
Others remaining to serve include:  
Vice-president, Gus Schmid – VE5SPI  
Treasurer, Al Labbie – VE5MDC  
Director, Ken Bindle – VE5KRB



Andy  
Paquet  
VE5APD



Ron  
Sather  
VE5RMS



Herb  
Essenburg  
VE5HE



Ned  
Carroll  
VE5NED



Warren  
Beaulé  
VA5WDB



Bob  
Hilton  
VE5NFG



Gus  
Schmid  
VE5SPI



Al  
Labbie  
VE5MDC



Ken  
Bindle  
VE5KRB

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## A word from your incoming President

I would like to, as the incoming President of the Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club to thank Andy (VE5APD) for his two years tenure as President. I am looking forward to continue working with Andy as the Past President for the next two years I would like to thank the club members for their vote of confidence in electing me to the Presidents chair. I hope that I am able to be worthy of that confidence. I look forward in the next two years to work with not only the executive but also the members of the Club.

The executive is there not only to help guide the activities, but to also request input and wishes of the membership. We have a good strong base to work from with some very knowledgeable people to help out us that aren't so smart. We have those that are willing to step up to the plate when the call goes out for volunteers to work at the many events that we have precipitated in.

Thanks again to Andy.

Ron Sather - VE5RMS

## *A Message from the President*



The past 2 years have been interesting to say the least. I took on the position of President of the club with a great deal of trepidation. I was doing something that scared the hell out of me, but I felt it was time to do my share to help the club. The success of the club is a result of a lot of hard work by the Executive as a whole. Without the other executive members to help and guide me, my term would have been a disaster, I kid you not. I ask all of you to help the new Executive by supporting them and helping where ever needed. It is with great expectations that I welcome the new Executive and will do my best to be a help to them.

I wish you all a rewarding term in office.

Andy – VE5APD  
Outgoing President

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### *Thanks Bill (VE5DN)!*

*The Dunster has kindly donated some of his excess gear to the club. It consists of some test equipment, a linear amplifier, and some computer equipment.*

*What can't be put to use by the club will be sold at a future flea market. Thanks Bill!*

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**ARES**  
**Saskatoon**

**NEXT ARES MEETING**

MONDAY, MAY 27, 2003  
7:00 PM  
CITY HOSPITAL  
ROOM 1903

**ALL HAMS ARE INVITED**

## SWAP & SHOP FOR SALE



**KENWOOD TS520**  
**\$300.00 FIRM**  
Les VE5LPP  
(306) 477-3429  
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The week before the WALK the Club's portable repeater was installed on Luther Tower making use of the antenna that's normally connected to the ATV repeater. The repeater worked perfectly and provided excellent coverage for the entire route.

As usual, we had a great response to the request for volunteers with a total of 19 being able to help us out. By 8:00 AM most were huddled around the radio table at the arena drinking coffee and discussing the weather at length

At about 10:00 the pipe band began to play and the nearly 900 WALKers were on their way. By 12:30 the last of the WALKers had returned and the WALK was over for another year.

On behalf of the MS Society and the organizing committee, I'd like to thank everyone that was able to participate.

**The Next MS event is the MS Bike Tour on August 23 and 24. Details are on the Club's web site.**

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## EXECUTIVE

**President** Ron Sather 384-5093  
VE5RMS

**Past President** Andy Paquet 931-1614  
VE5APD

**Vice President** Gus Schmid 249-3996  
VE5SPI

**Secretary** Herb Essenburg 374-4337  
VE5HE

**Treasurer** Al Labbie 373-3188  
VE5MDC

## Directors

Warren Beaulé VA5WDB 934-2604  
Ned Carroll VE5NED 382-1446  
Bob Hilton VE5NFG 652-7014  
Ken Bindle VE5KRB 373-3403

**Repeaters** Gus VE5SPI

Eric VE5HG

**Property** Al VE5MDC

**Training Co-ord.** Ned VE5NED

**Public Service** Executive

**Sick & Visiting** Ron VE5RMS

**Field Day** Vacant

**Elmer** Herb VE5HE

**Trailer** Ron VE5RMS

**Space Club** Vacant

**SARC Net** Bill VE5DN

**L.B.L. Rep.** Ken VE5KRB

**Coffee** Colleen VE5CMG

**50/50 Draw** Ken VE5KW

**Feedline** Les VE5LPP

## LOCAL AREA REPEATERS

VE5SK 146.640- Saskatoon SARC  
VE5SCA 146.970- Saskatoon linked  
VE5CC 146.940- Saskatoon long range  
VE5BRC/1 147.240+ Lizard Lake  
VE5RPA 147.150+ Bellevue to PA  
VE5DPR 147.270+ Keniston  
VE5SKN 145.210- Saskatoon MARS  
VE5STV 146.790- Saskatoon  
VE5FS 448.000- CFCSS tone access

## ATV

VE5RHF 439.250 in 1277.250 out

## APRS

VE5RHF 144.390 Saskatoon APRS

## LOCAL AND REGIONAL NETS

Sask WX 80m 1400Z 3753 Khz  
ARES (Sun.) 80m 1430Z 3753 Khz  
Aurora 40m 2330Z 7055 Khz  
& 0200Z  
Manitoba 80m 0000Z 3760 Khz  
Saskatchewan 80m 0100Z 3744 Khz  
Alberta 80m 0130Z 3740 Khz  
Local Area 2m 0200Z 146.640-  
B.C. 80m 0200Z 3729 Khz  
Saskatchewan 2m 0300Z 146.970-  
Prince Albert 2m 0330Z 147.150+

(All nets are daily except where noted)

All Hams are welcome to check into any of these nets.



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