VE5AA May, 2005

The Feedline

SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club Meetings are held the 2nd 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!

ARES Saskatoon

NEXT ARES MEETING
Monday, May 16,2005
7:00 PM

No 9 Firehall
870 Attridge Dr.
Talk in 146.640-
http://www.ares-saskatoon.ca/

NEXT CLUB MEETING
Tuesday, May 10,2005
7:30 PM

ALVIN BUCKWOLD SCHOOL
715 East Drive
West entrance

BE THERE!

Contests

May 1 CW sprint
May 2 RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB
May 7 ARI International DX
May 14 FISTS Spring Sprint, CW
May 21 Portuguese Navy Day Contest, PSK31
May 28 CQ WW WPX Contest, CW

For further information on contests please check TCA, CQ or QST magazines.

COFFEE

Tomas Cook Restaurant
Saturdays 9:00 AM
Idyllwild & 24th 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!

Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club VE5AA

May 2005

EXECUTIVE

President	Ron Sather VE5RMS	384-5093
Past President	Andy Paquet VE5APD	931-1614
Vice President	John Anton VA5RJA	653-0919
Secretary	Terry Shuya VE5HF	374-4240
Treasurer	Al Labbie VE5MDC	373-3188

Directors

Ned Carroll	VE5NED	382-1446
Bob Hilton	VE5NFG	652-7014
Per Jacobsen	VE5PER	244-5210
Nate Mirva	VE5NAT	477-0524

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	**Vacant**	
50/50 Draw	Nate	VE5NAT
Feedline	Les	VE5LPP
Web-site	Bruce	VE5BNC

LOCAL AREA REPEATERS

VE5SK	146.640-	Saskatoon SARC
VE5SCA	146.940-	Saskatoon
VE5ZH	147.270-	2Mhz offset, Saskatoon, Auto Patch
VE5FUN	145.290-	Sktn 100Hz tone, IRLP node 1340, IPAR,Terrestrial Net, Remote base, tied to VE5CC
VE5CC	146.970-	Sktn. Linked 100Hz Tone IRLP node 1340 , IPARN,Terrestrial Net, Remote base, tied to VE5FUN
VE5SKN	145.210-	Sktn 100Hz tone, MARS IRLP node 1350
VE5FS	448.000-	No tone access Autopatch
VE5BRC/1	147.240+	North Battleford
VE5RPA	147.150+	Bellevue to PA
VA5LLR	145.390-	Lizard Lake

ATV

VE5ATV 439.250 in 1277.250 out

APRS

VE5RHF	144.390	Saskatoon APRS
VE5YR-4	144.390	Davidson DIGI

PACKET

VE5YR-7	DIGI	145.010	Davidson
VE5HAN	DIGI	145.010	Hanley
VE5TH	BBS	145.010	Regina
VE5XXX	BBS	145.010	PA
VE5MPK-2	Node	145.010	Melfort
VE5MPK	BBS	145.010	Melfort
VE5NEP-3	DIGI	145.010	Minichinis
VE5USR-3	DIGI	145.010	U of S
VE5BBS	BBS	145.010	Sktn SARC

LOCAL AND REGIONAL NETS

Sask WX	80m	1400Z	3753 Khz
ARES (Sun.)	80m	1430Z	3753 Khz
Aurora	40m	2330Z & 0200Z	7055 Khz
Manitoba	80m	0000Z	3760 Khz
Montana Traffic	80m	0030Z	3910 Khz
Saskatchewan	80m	0100Z	3744 Khz
Alberta	80m	0130Z	3740 Khz
Laurel Ladies	80m	0200Z Sundays	3752 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 qualified Hams are welcome to check into any of these nets.

MINUTES
SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
April 12, 2005

The meeting was opened at 7:30 pm by President Ron, VE5RMS.
One guest was present - Andy Gonzales, KG6RWO

The minutes of the previous meeting as circulated in The FeedLine were discussed. The minutes were then approved on a motion by Gus, VE5SPI, seconded by Bill, VE5DN

Financial Report was given by Al, VE5MDC. Al mentioned that the club is looking at changing our liability insurance, and that our current insurance has expired. The new insurance offered by RAC will provide us with higher coverage for roughly half of the cost. To qualify the club needed to be affiliated to RAC, incorporated, and the cost would be based on the number of club members that are RAC members. We fall in the 40 to 54 percent range so our cost would be about $150. Motion that the report be accepted was made by Herb VE5HE, and seconded by Andy, VE5APD.

Next Years Budget: Ron presented this as well, which was basically the same as the previous year with minor adjustments as required. Motion to accept the new budget made by John VE5RJA. Seconded by Les, VE5LPP. When presented for a vote, one was opposed. Motion carried.

Update on alternate club location at the Guide House by Ned, VE5NED and Kathy Litwin. Kathy presented the proposal to allow us to set up a station at the Guide House but the request was denied. We could rent the library space for $500 a month which is not something we could pursue. Ron asked everyone to continue looking for alternate locations in the event that our current location is no longer available.

HamFest Update. Ron confirmed the guest keynote speaker will be Dr George Sofko from the University of Saskatchewan (see http://physics.usask.ca/biograph/sofko.htm). Also check the Saskatchewan Hamfest website at http://www.saskhamfest.com for the latest news. The tour of Canadian Light Source Synchrotron will be free, you just need to pre-register so we can get a count of the number of people interested. There is a maximum of two groups of twenty people allowed. Another call went out for volunteers for Hamfest to help with various duties. As a reminder the HamFest will be held July 22-24, 2005 and pre-registration qualifies you for the door prize.

Public Service Update. Bruce, VE5BNC reminded people of the upcoming MS Cities Walk for Sunday April 24th at the Archibald Arena off Spadina, running from around nine in the morning until just after 12 noon. A signup sheet was

circulated requesting names, call signs, phone number, and email addresses of volunteers.

Repeater Update by Derek, VE5SD. The 7K controllers have been upgraded, and in mid April the equipment will be tuned up. We are hoping to have the equipment on the air by the beginning of May this year. The frequencies will remain the same as what Eric and MARS were currently using.

Special NASA Event in Saskatoon: Bruce, VE5BNC received an email from Andy Gonzales, KG6RWO who indicated that the AMES lab was planning a UAV test which involved tracking via APRS of a launch originating from Vanscoy sometime between August and October this year.

Equipment Disposal. AL, VE5MDC is ready to photograph club inventory this week. He mentioned that there was equipment missing from the cabinet including a dual band Icom IC3200 serial #2040 along with mike, and club traffic vests #8, #10 and #12. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of these items should contact Al. The plan is to hold a silent auction at the club a couple of weeks after our next club meeting (approx May 24th) once we notify the school to ensure we can have access on that day.

Other Business. Bill, VE5DN, mentioned that Bob, VE5RJ had lost his XYL the other night. The club will send flowers to Bob. Ken, VE5KRB provided an update and reminder about the Little Bear Lake site. The repeater work has completed and is now operating at a much reduced power consumption so it will be able to be left on now. The Open House will be held on June 10-12, the weekend before Fathers day. Make reservations either at the Lark's Inn Motel (306-426-2491) or the campsite (http://www.littlebearlake.ca).
Bob, VE5NFG was the grand prize winner of the 50/50 draw.

Second round of nominations where held for the SARC election:

President: Ron, VE5RMS was nominated for President by John, VE5RJA. Ron accepted the nomination. Ned, VE5NED motioned nominations cease, seconded by Andy, VE5APQ. Ron was elected by acclamation.

Secretary: Terry, VE5HF was nominated at the previous club meeting. After further calls for nominations, Herb, VE5HE motioned nominations cease, Ned, VE5NED seconded. Terry was elected by acclamation. This caused his remaining time as director (1 year) to need to be filled, and thus one of the directors nominated would need to be selected for the one year term.

Directors: Bob, VE5NFG, Nathan, VE5NAT, and Ned, VE5NED were all nominated from the previous meeting. After further calls, Brian, VE5CUL motioned that nominations cease. Seconded by Warren, VA5WDB. The vote

that followed saw Nathan, VE5NAT, chosen to hold the one year term as a director.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Gus, VE5SPI, at 8:25 pm.

Presentation that followed: UAV (unmanned aerial vehicles) tests will be coming this fall to Vanscoy. A presentation on the subject was made by Andy Gonzales, KG6RWO, who works for the NASA / Ames Research Center in California. He designs, builds, and tests prototypes of airplanes that will be used on Mars. He is also interested in APRS which he will use in his test flights here this fall.

Terry Shuya (VE5HF)
Secretary

FOR SALE

Aluminum tubing for ant. building
8 lengths - 12 ft. X 1.5 inch I.D.
thin wall type 6013
$6.00 per length.

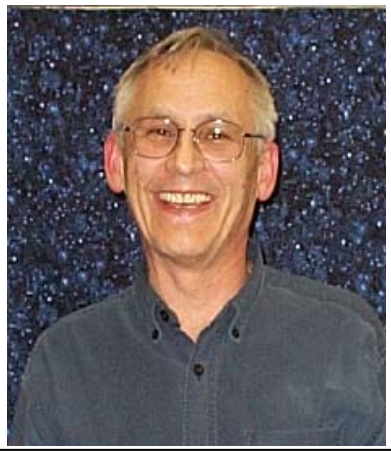
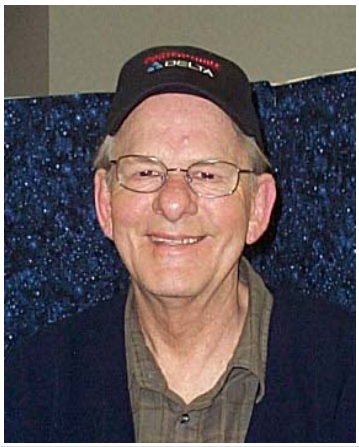
Honda power plant - 400 watt
A.C./D.C, suitcase size. Good to run a 100
watt rig.
Runs good. 4 cycle gas. Has freq. meter.
$190.00

Ken Bindle VE5KRB
ve5krb@rac.ca or
373-3403

Than you Andy KG6RWO

Andy Gonzales KG6RWO of the AMES Lab gave a nice presentation on a UAV test, which will involve tracking via APRS, of a launch originating from Vanscoy sometime between August and October of this year. Greatly appreciated Andy.

New Hams

Yvonne Leduc **VE5ALT**	**Michael Mikytyshyn** **VE5MMG**	**Neil Klebaum** **VE5NEK**

Al Labbie (VE5MDC) & Ned Carroll (VE5NED) with their former students and present colleagues in the HAM fraternity. Congratulations to all of you!

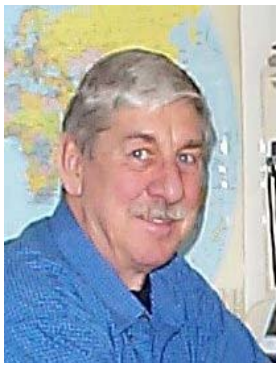
And one new Advanced Amateur.
Volker Polan (VE5VAP)

Congratulations Volker!

Your new Executive

Ron Sather
VE5RMS
President

Andy Paquet
VE5APD
Past President



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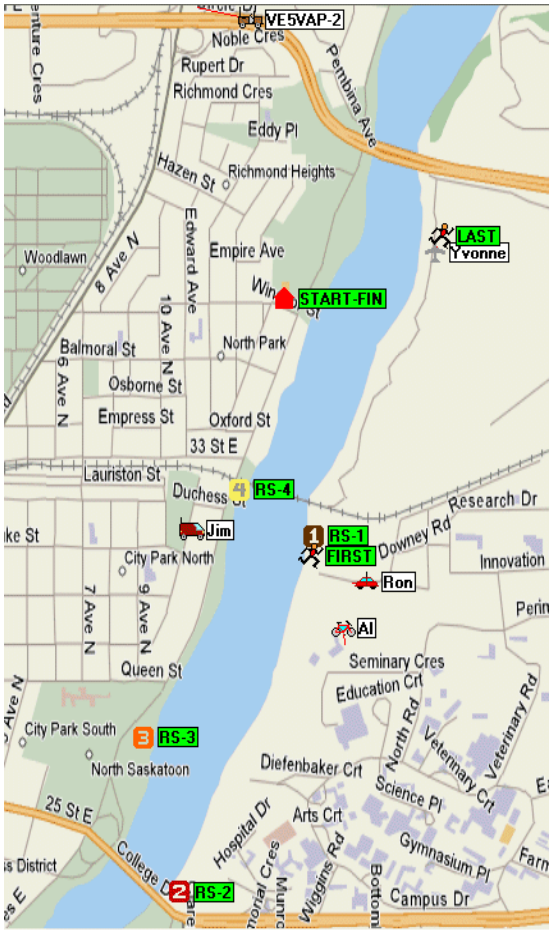
MS Walk a big success



The 2005 MS WALK was held on April 24. This year marks the 13th year that the Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club has been providing communications for this event. As usual the WALK was big success with over 1000 participants. Unlike most other years the weather was actually quite nice.

This year we incorporated APRS into the communications plan. We placed a tracking unit in the three support vehicles and the two bicycles on the route. I initially thought that it would only be a demonstration. We soon found that tracking the bicycles gave us and the event organizers the ability to instantly know how the WALK was progressing and where the last participants were.

On behalf of the MS Society and the 2005 organizing committee, I'd like to thank all those who helped out. They were: Gus - VE5SPI, Warren- VA5WDB, Diane - VA5DSB, Ned - VE5NED, Bob - VE5RBG, Colleen - VE5CMG, Peter - VE5JZ, Lee - VE5LEE, Ron - VE5RMS, Len - VE5SU, Al - VE5MDC, Jim - VE5JIM, Bob - VE5RGM and Yvonne -VE5ALT.

Yvonne wrote and passed her exam the week before and found her call sign had been approved the day before the WALK. Congratulations, Yvonne.

73, Bruce - VE5BNC

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