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May 2009

The Feedline

SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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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!**

President	Gus Schmid VE5SPI
Past President	Ron Sather VE5RMS
Vice-President	Mike Mikytyshyn VE5MMG
Secretary	Lou Curti VE5LOU
Treasurer	Heather Punshon VE5HAP
Director	Ron Watson VA5RON
Director	Ken Bindle VE5KRB
Director	Mike Luciuk VE5MIK

Repeaters	Gus VE5SPI
Property and Assets Record	Al VE5MDC
Training Coordinator	Gus VE5SPI
Public Service	Executive
Sick and Visiting	Ron VE5RMS
Field Day	Executive and Volunteers
Elmer	Herb VE5HE
Trailer	John VA5RJA
Space Club	Mike VE5MIK
SARC Net	Herb VE5HE and John VA5RJA
L.B.L. Rep	Ken VE5KRB
Coffee	John VA5RJA
50/50 Draw	Nate VE5NAT
Feedline	Les VE5LPP
Web-site	Bruce VE5BNC

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Tuesday, May 12, 2009
7:30 PM

ALVIN BUCKWOLD SCHOOL
715 East Drive
West entrance

BE THERE!

Canada Day Contest

The Canada Day Contest will be held on July 1, 2009. For more information please download the pdf file with the rules at:

<http://www.rac.ca/service/contesting/files/2009%20Canada%20Day%20Rules%20-%20English.pdf>

COFFEE

Peter D's Family Restaurant
Saturdays 9:00 AM
1301 8th St East

Everyone is welcome. Hams,
non-Hams, it doesn't matter.
We're there to have good
conversation with good
friends.

C'mon out and visit!

Saskatoon and Area Frequencies

May 2009

LOCAL AREA REPEATERS

VE5SK 146.640- Saskatoon SARC

VE5ZH 147.270- 2 MHz offset,
Saskatoon, Auto Patch

VE5CC 146.970- Sktn. MARS. Linked
to VE5SKN,VE5DNA and IRLP node 1360.
Link code 502*/503*

VE5SKN 145.940- Sktn MARS. 100Hz
tone on xmt only.Linked to VE5CC.
VE5DNA and IRLP node 1360. Link
code 500*/501* ARES SAME wx Rcvr.

VA5LLR 145.390- Lizard Lake

VA5SV 145.330- Ridge East of Sktn

VE5RPD 145.190- Elbow/Davidson

IRLP NODE 1360 Hard linked to
VE5CC UHF Hub (444.975 +5M) &
available to VE5CC, VE5SKN and
VE5DNA VHF repeaters when linked.

All the above repeaters are completely
open.

ATV

VE5ATV 439.250 in 1277.250 out
Saskatoon

APRS

VE5RHF 144.390 Saskatoon DIGI

VE5BNC-3 144.390 Saskatoon
IGATE & SATGATE

VE5HAN-4 144.390 Hanley DIGI

VE5YR-4 144.390 Davidson DIGI

VE5YMJ-4 144.390 Eyebrow DIGI

VE5ADR-4 144.390 Avonlea DIGI

PACKET

VE5BBS 145.010 Saskatoon BBS

VE5USR-3 145.010 U of S DIGI

VE5YR-7 145.010 Davidson DIGI

VE5HAN 145.010 Hanley DIGI

VE5TH 145.010 Regina BBS

VE5XXX 145.010 Prince Albert BBS

VE5MPK-2 145.010 Melfort Node

VE5MPK 145.010 Melfort BBS

VE5NEP-3 145.010 Minichinas DIGI

LOCAL AND REGIONAL NETS

Sask WX	80m	1400Z	3735 Khz
ARES (Sun.)	80m	1430Z	3735 Khz
Aurora	40m	2330Z	7055 Khz
		& 0200Z	
Manitoba	80m	0000Z	3747 Khz
Montana Tfc	80m	0030Z	3910 Khz
Sask.	80m	0100Z	3735 Khz
Alberta	80m	0130Z	3700 Khz
Local Area	2m	0200Z	146.640-
B.C.	80m	0200Z	3727 Khz
Sask.	2m	0300Z	146.970-
			linked net 146.940-
80m YL Net	80m	0315Z	3755 Khz
		Sundays	
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



**Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club
General Meeting April 21, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Mike VE5MMG @ 1940..

Vice President Mike VE5MMG and members welcomed visitors Jesse VE5JWD from Moose Jaw, Michael Brown from Viscount VE5MHB,

Ken VE5KRB welcomed to the club members Mark Bergen VE5MJB, Ron McCann VE5ATO, & Brad Taylor VE5BJT who had just passed the course. Not in attendance at the meeting but have received their call signs were Ricky Wen VE5WEN, Jen Taylor VE5JKT, Liam Bindle VE5LRB and Peter Coles who passed the exam but does not have his call sign yet.

Two other class member Paul Fowler and Larry Hicks dropped out of the class.

Vice President Mike VE5MMG called for a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as posted in the "Feedline".

Moved by Eric VE5HG

Seconded by Ken VE5KRB

Carried.

Public Service Events:

Bruce VE5BNC gave presentation to volunteers for Sunday April 26, 09 @ 0800. He handed out assignments and a route map.

Jim VE5JIM reviewed the Marathon which is being held on May 24th, 2009.

There will be a volunteers meeting on the 22nd and a volunteer's dinner on the 23rd at the Parkland B building. Tickets for the dinner will be available. There was a discussion on the setup and procedures.

Bob VE5RGM gave a presentation on the 2009 series of balloon launches. The first will be held on May 18th from the school park at 0800. He also reviewed the payload package which will include APRS, GPS, and ATV.

Ken VE5KRB reviewed the Little Bear Lake Field day weekend. He advised members of the facilities and equipment available.

Ken VE5KRB read and presented a report on the use of a memory stick in the training program and the results of the student survey. He also presented an overview of the RAC study guide and its deficiencies as indicated in the survey.

Elections.

Vice President Mike VE5MMG called for nominations for President.

After three calls no responses

Gus VE5SPI elected by acclamation.

Vice President Mike VE5MMG called for nominations for Secretary.
After three calls no response
Lou VE5LOU elected by acclamation.

Vice President Mike VE5MMG called for nominations for a Director.
John VA5RJA nominated Bob VA5BRT.
No further nominations.
Bob VA5BRT elected by acclamation.

50/50 draw was held and won by Mike VE5MIK.

Meeting adjourned @ 2025.

Lou Curti VE5LOU
Recording Secretary



April 14, 2009

After more than ten years as RAC's representative on the April 22, 2009 ARRL Contest Advisory Committee, David Shipman, VE7CFD, has asked to be replaced.

RAC has then chosen Sam Ferris, VE5SF, to replace David. The ARRL has already been advised of our choice and Sam is already starting his work.

Radio Amateurs of Canada wants to thank Dave, VE7CFD, for the many years he has served the Amateurs of Canada by being on this important committee. We also wish Sam, VE5SF, all the best in his work



April 22, 2009

. This is a reminder that the 2009 edition of the Canada Day Contest is will be held on July1, 2009. For more information please download the pdf file with the rules at:

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Looking for new Feedline editor



I've been doing the Feedline for 10 years now and I think it's time someone else took a turn. The June edition will be my last. I would like to thank all who helped me out over the years and a special thanks to Al Labbie, VE5MDC for all his help over the years and especially for taking over for the last few months when I was away.

73 Les VE5LPP

MS WALK 2009, April 29

WALK in your community.
Take a step closer to a cure.



After one of the latest springs in recent memory, the snow had barely melted when the day for the 2009 MS WALK arrived. As always we had a great response to our call for volunteers and ran out of jobs before we ran out of radio operators. To reduce the effort required for setup, we decided to use the temporary repeater on the Midtown Plaza, which was still in service since the Santa Clause Parade. To supplement local coverage at the arena, we added a UHF cross-band repeater. This allowed us to use hand held radios for most of the traffic at the arena.

Having done the WLAK for many years, it looked like this one would be uneventful. The organizers had virtually everything care of well advance and had thought of just about everything that might happen. Then something happened. We received a call from one of the rest stops that a small boy had become separated from his family and had asked for help. After a bit of discussion over the radio and with the organizers, it was decided to give him a ride back to the area where he could be cared for. A few minutes later he was escorted in, sad and scared. He sat at the radio table for a while and felt much better after some goodies and juice. The event organizers quickly identified who he was and were able to contact his parents and the group he was with. He then went to stay with the even organizers until his family arrived. Once

again it was proven just how valuable reliable communication is in public events like this.

This year the WLAK surpassed all previous records with nearly 1200 participants and raising in excess of \$260,000 to aid in MS Research. On behalf of the MS WALK organizing committee I want to thank all of the operators who were able to help. Gus - VE5SPI, Glen - VE5GAM, Jim - VE5JIM, Chris - VE5QV, Sean - VE5SM, Lou - VE5LOU, Eric - VE5HG, Doris - VE5DJQ, Ned - VE5NED, Leigh - VE5LEE, Mike - VE5MMG, Mark - VE5MJB and John - VA5RJA

73, Bruce - VE5BNC



SABRE-5 Balloon Launch

Sunday, May 17,
08:00 (14:00 UTC)
Launch from park
north of the SPACE
Club.

Come join us for the launch. Track us via APRS on 144.390 or watch us on the Club's web site. This year will also run an HF to UHF cross band repeater. Transmit in on 20m SSB and listen on 443.75 (+- 100 kHz).

73, Bruce - VE5BNC

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL



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Membership valid from September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009

NAME:..... CALL SIGN.....

ADDRESS.....

CITY.....PROV.....ZIP.....

TELEPHONE (Home).....(Bus.).....

E-MAIL ADDRESS.....

Would you prefer your copy of "The Feedline" be sent by:- Mail..... Electronically.....

LICENCE: (Please check)

Basic (.....) Advanced (.....) Code (.....) HF (.....)

Occupation (optional).....

Name of spouse (optional).....

Family Members (For Family Membership Application)

(1) Name.....Call Sign.....

Basic (.....) Advanced (.....) Code (.....) HF (.....)

(2) Name.....Call Sign.....

Basic (.....) Advanced (.....) Code (.....) HF (.....)

WHICH CLUB ACTIVITIES CAN WE COUNT ON YOU FOR?

Special Event or Areas of interest to you.

Affiliation (Check where applicable)

ARRL.....RAC.....SARL.....MARS.....OTHER.....

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Regular Membership:

(must be licensed to operate an amateur station).....\$25.00 \$.....

Family Membership:

(one newsletter per family).....\$30.00 \$.....

Associate Membership:

(enthusiasts - not eligible for office).....\$25.00 \$.....

Junior Membership: (under 18 yrs)

(full privileges if licensed to operate a station)..... \$12.50 \$.....

Laminated membership card..(each)..... \$1.00 \$.....

Donations:

development, maintaining or upgrading facilities (specify).....\$.....

TOTAL REMITTED \$.....

Cheques Payable to: **Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club Inc.**

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