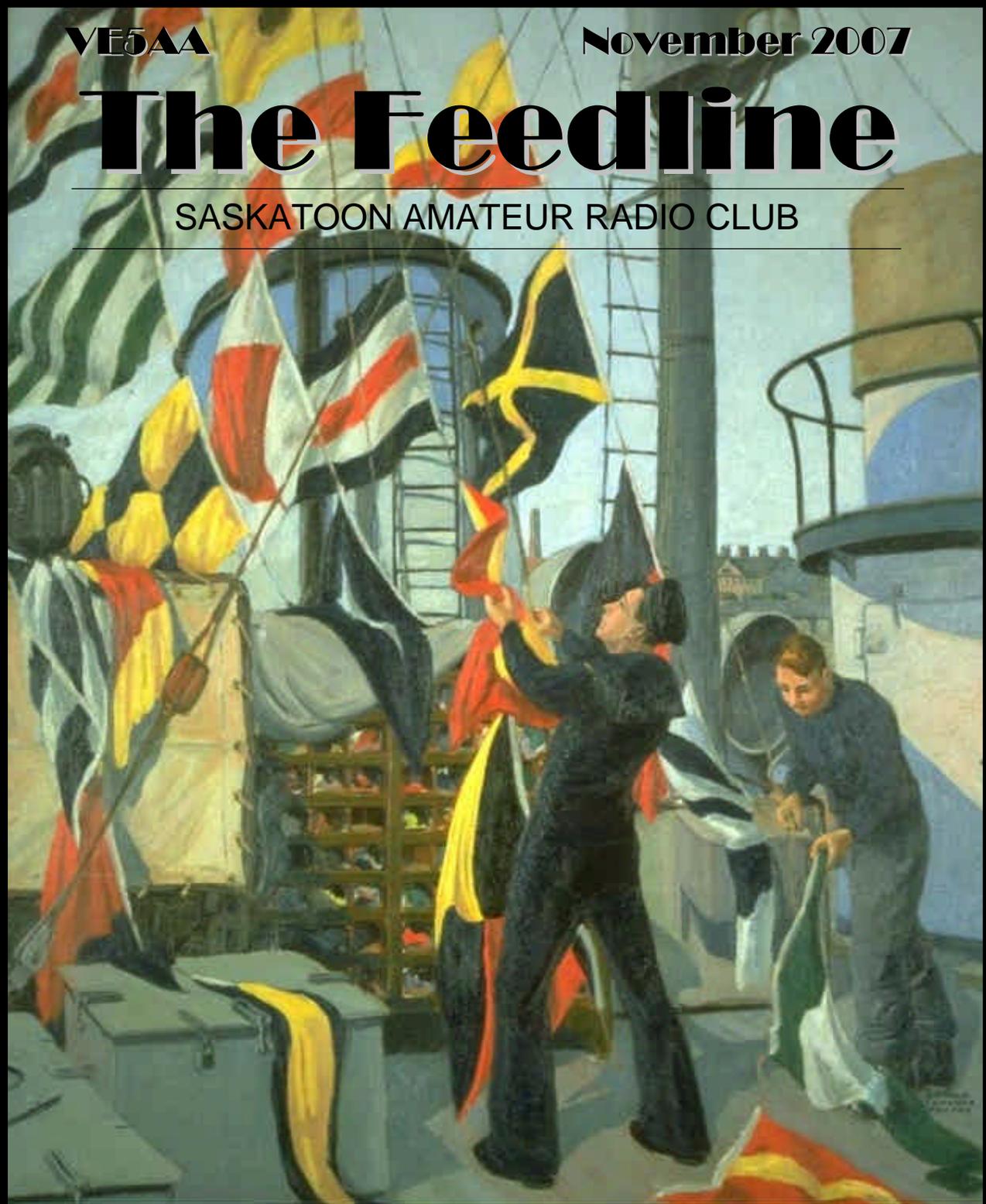


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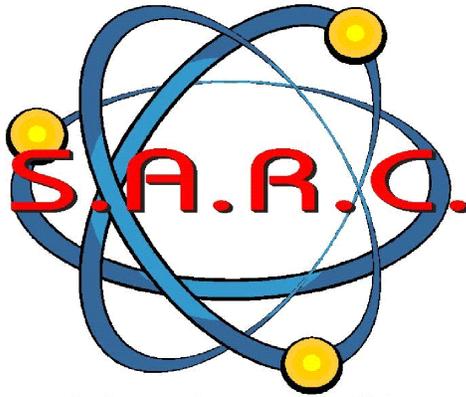
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**REMBERANCE DAY – NOVEMBER 11th**



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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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**ARES  
Saskatoon**

**NEXT ARES MEETING**

**Monday, Nov 19, 2007  
7:00 PM**

**#9 Firehall  
870 Attridge Dr.**

**Talk in 146.640-**

<http://www.ares-saskatoon.ca/>

## **NEXT CLUB MEETING**

**Tuesday, Nov 13, 2007  
7:30 PM**

**ALVIN BUCKWOLDSCHOOL  
715 East Drive  
West entrance**

**BE THERE!**

## **Contests**

**Nov 3-4 Ukrainian DX Contest  
Nov 3-5 ARRL CW Sweepstakes  
Nov 10-11 Kentucky QSO Party  
Nov 17-19 ARRL SSB Sweeps  
Nov 24-25 CQ WW CW Contest  
Nov 24-25 ARRL EME Contest  
Nov 30-Dec 2 A/RRL 160m Cntst  
Dec 8-0 ARRL 10m Contest**

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

## **COFFEE**

**Thomas Cook  
Restaurant  
Saturdays 9:00 AM  
Idyllwild & 24<sup>th</sup> St.**

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

## November 2007

### LOCAL AREA REPEATERS

<b>VE5SK</b>	146.640-	Saskatoon SARC
<b>VE5ZH</b>	147.270-	2 MHz offset, Saskatoon, Auto Patch
<b>VE5CC</b>	146.970-	Sktn. MARS. Linked to VE5SKN,VE5DNA and IRLP node 1360. Link code 502*/503*
<b>VE5SKN</b>	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.
<b>VA5LLR</b>	145.390-	Lizard Lake
<b>VA5SV</b>	145.330-	Ridge East of Sktn
<b>VE5RPD</b>	145.190-	Elbow/Davidson
<b>IRLP NODE 1360</b>		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

<b>VE5ATV</b>	439.250 in	1277.250 out
		Saskatoon

### APRS

<b>VE5RHF</b>	144.390	Saskatoon	DIGI
<b>VE5BNC-3</b>	144.390	Saskatoon	
		IGATE & SATGATE	
<b>VE5HAN-4</b>	144.390	Hanley	DIGI
<b>VE5YR-4</b>	144.390	Davidson	DIGI
<b>VE5YMJ-4</b>	144.390	Eyebrow	DIGI
<b>VE5ADR-4</b>	144.390	Avonlea	DIGI

### PACKET

<b>VE5BBS</b>	145.010	Saskatoon	BBS
<b>VE5USR-3</b>	145.010	U of S	DIGI
<b>VE5YR-7</b>	145.010	Davidson	DIGI
<b>VE5HAN</b>	145.010	Hanley	DIGI
<b>VE5TH</b>	145.010	Regina	BBS
<b>VE5XXX</b>	145.010	Prince Albert	BBS
<b>VE5MPK-2</b>	145.010	Melfort	Node
<b>VE5MPK</b>	145.010	Melfort	BBS
<b>VE5NEP-3</b>	145.010	Minichinas	DIGI

### 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	3747 Khz
Montana Traffic	80m	0030Z	3910 Khz
Saskatchewan	80m	0100Z	3735 Khz
Alberta	80m	0130Z	3700 Khz
Local Area	2m	0200Z	146.640-
B.C.	80m	0200Z	3727 Khz
Saskatchewan	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**



**MINUTES**  
**SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**  
**October 9, 2007**

In the absence of our President, the meeting was opened at 7:30PM by Vice-President Leigh, VE5LEE. There were no guests present. The minutes of the September meeting were accepted as circulated in The Feedline on a motion by VE5HG, seconded by VE5RMS,.

**The Treasurer's report** was presented by VE5MDC and has been filed. The Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion by VE5HG, seconded by VA5BRB.

**Projects:** John, VA5RJA reported on work done on our trailer to make it more serviceable; Terry, VE5HF cleaned up the trailer and Ken, VE5KRB worked on a port for affixing 110V cables. The trailer is ready to go to work at the Santa Claus parade in November. The window in the shed where some of our club property is stored at Ron, VA5RON's place, now has a plywood cover. The cabinet to store equipment at our clubroom is complete and we will require a work party to do the final installation. Antenna work in the school roof is done, (for now) however the rotor still sticks.

**Saturday coffee:** we are still casting about for a new spot at which to meet for Saturday coffee/breakfast. Some of our members will try Peter D's to see if it fills our need.

**Christmas social:** Herb, VE5HE advised that our reservations at The Cave are confirmed and our club will not be required to make the customary \$50 deposit to hold the reservation.

**Military pin raffle** - the executive agreed to the club raffling an exotic military pin, donated by one of our members. Tickets are to be sold for \$1 or 3 for \$2. The draw will be made for the pin at our Christmas social/meeting.

**Programs:** there was more discussion on programs and at this time they are TBA.

**Community service:** VE5SPI reminded us of the need for more operators to help with communications for the Santa Claus parade on November 18. Currently 9 volunteers have signed up to work on this project and we need about 26 to do the job well. Due to construction in the area, the staging area will be changed.

**New business:** a liquidation store on Ave C is selling safety vests. (When the secretary asked the name of the store, the response was "the place with the stupid name), so good luck in your purchase!

The 50/50 draw was won by Ned, VE5NED. (I think I heard him say he was spending it on cheap gas at Hanley on his way back to Elbow!)

The meeting adjourned on a motion by Eric, VE5HG.

Herb Essenburg, VE5HE – Secretary



P. S.

LATE BREAKING NEWS !!

I have just spoken with Dale, VE5ZW who has shuffled the deck in his work schedule and will give us a short presentation on the "world of QRP" at our November 13th meeting. Come on out and hear about what a teensy-weensy transmitter can do!

VE5HE

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## Wanted

Older 2m mobile.

Have a 10" radial  
arm saw for sale.

Offers

Contact  
Ron VA5RON  
374-3412  
va5ron@nwstar.com

**All Swap and  
Shop ads are  
free to  
amateurs.**

Contact:  
Les VE5LPP  
at  
ve5lpp@rac.ca

# Silent Key

**Kenneth Kemp  
VE5ACK**

**1941-2007**

**Kenneth Edward Kemp.**- We are very sad to announce the sudden death of our greatly loved family member, Kenneth. Kenneth passed away on Sunday, October 14, 2007 at the age of 66. Kenneth is predeceased by his mother, Elsie Mae Kemp; his father, Frank Edward Kemp and his stepmother, Marjorie Kemp. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Claire Elizabeth Kemp; his daughters, Diane, Brenda, Teresa, Karen, Donna (Kevin), Deborah (Mike), and Katarina (Cedric); his grandchildren, Vincent, Xavier, Damien and Alexis; his sisters, Jeanette and Heather, as well as numerous nieces, and nephews. He will be greatly missed by us all.



## **Kenny Kemp**

I first met Kenny in 1960 at the Manitoba Technical Institute I in Winnipeg. We were taking the professional radio operators course and were in the same class. We finished the class in 1961, and

luckily we both passed and received our tickets. We then hired on with the Department of Transport and within a few weeks we were sent to Ottawa to the Aeronautics and Weather school. After completing this we both got sent to Churchill, Manitoba.

Kenny was quiet and laid back, and an electronic whiz. He was building stereo amps in his room, and they were works of art, and had great sound. I had a Ham rig in my room and he used to come in and use it once in awhile.

He used to buy cases of canned coke, and everyone would go into his room and steal them for mix. He decided to get even, so he unsoldered one of the tabs on the side of the cans (The coke cans back then had a seam which was sort of dovetailed and was soldered together. He then patiently emptied out the coke and filled the cans up with water with an eyedropper, and then re-soldered them. I don't know how many cans he did like this, but when you stole a can you didn't know whether you were going to get coke or water.

I left Churchill in 64 and sort of lost track of Ken, and then in the 90's I decided to get back into Ham radio and went to a S.A.R.C. meeting. Who walks into the meeting but Kenny. Since then our paths have crossed many times, at meetings and Ham events. Small world! Nice guy! You'll be missed Kenny.

73 Ken  
Les VE5LPP

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*"The greatest artist was once a beginner."*



**Effective immediately, the Incoming QSL Manager for VA5/VE5 is:**

Joe Musgrave - VA5JM / VE5CEM

729 - Fifth Street NE  
Weyburn, SK  
S4H 1A4

306-842-2626  
[ve5cem@sasktel.net](mailto:ve5cem@sasktel.net)

Radio Amateurs of Canada wishes Joe all the best with the Bureau.

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## SANTA CLAUS PARADE



This year the parade will be held on November the 18<sup>th</sup> at 13:00. It will follow the same route as in other years. however, due to road construction it appears that the staging area maybe changed to an area adjacent that will be free of construction and the hazards that are present.

We will need approx. 26 volunteers to make this a fun and

safe event. There will be a wrap up party after the parade. Food and beverages will be served and door prizes will be drawn.

The following locations will need to be manned and if you have a favourite spot please advise Herb, Jim or Gus and they will try to accommodate your request.

Following is a task list:

Eight volunteers for float line up  
One volunteer for the Shaw TV site  
Two volunteers for net control  
One volunteer for the warm up area  
At the Meewasin Centre

One volunteer for setup and roving  
One volunteer to ride in the lead  
Police car

Volunteers for the following street locations

20<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., 21<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., 22<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.,  
23<sup>rd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., 23<sup>rd</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., 23<sup>rd</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.,  
22<sup>nd</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., 21<sup>st</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., 20<sup>th</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.,  
20<sup>th</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., 19<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.,  
Spadina Cres

Bring a friend and enjoy the parade!

Gus, Herb, Jim



Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club

## November presentation:

Dale VE5ZW will give a presentation on QRP operations at the November 13<sup>th</sup> general meeting. (for the newbies, QRP is low power transmitting).

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# CHRISTMAS SUPPER

DECEMBER 11

The Cave  
On  
8<sup>th</sup> Street

For  
reservations  
contact any of  
your executive

## Raffle for rare Amateur pin



This pin is from the 60's communist association in Czechoslovakia called Svazarm, meaning "union (svaz) with the Army (armada)."

Under the communist regime the Svazarm had around 1 million members in Czechoslovakia, the majority under the age of 35.

The point of the Svazarm was to be a military reserve in the event of World War III. Svazarm members were trained as radio operators, dog handlers, parachutists, pilots, mechanics, civil defense organizers, field medics, and even drivers.

This pin was awarded to someone who had applied and been accepted by the Svazarm to train as a radio operator. This was no light hearted responsibility in the 1960's.

Before the advent of television, radio was the primary information source for the entire world and the communist government was well aware of this. All radio transmitters had to be licensed and failure to do so would result in detention or some time in the uranium mines. Radio was a powerful propaganda weapon and when Russia "normalized" Czechoslovakia in 1968, the T34 Tanks headed straight for the transmitters at Radio Prague smashing everything in their path. Once the media was under control they secured the airfields, harbours, major roads and government buildings. Such was the power of radio!

The draw will be made at the Christmas supper. Tickets are \$1 for one or \$2 for 3.

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*"It's hard to be nostalgic when you can't remember anything."*

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL



SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC.  
 P.O. BOX 751  
 SASKATOON, SK, 57K 3L7

For Office Use Only  
 Pd      Rcpt      Card       
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**Membership valid from September 1, 2007 to August 31, 2008**

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.**