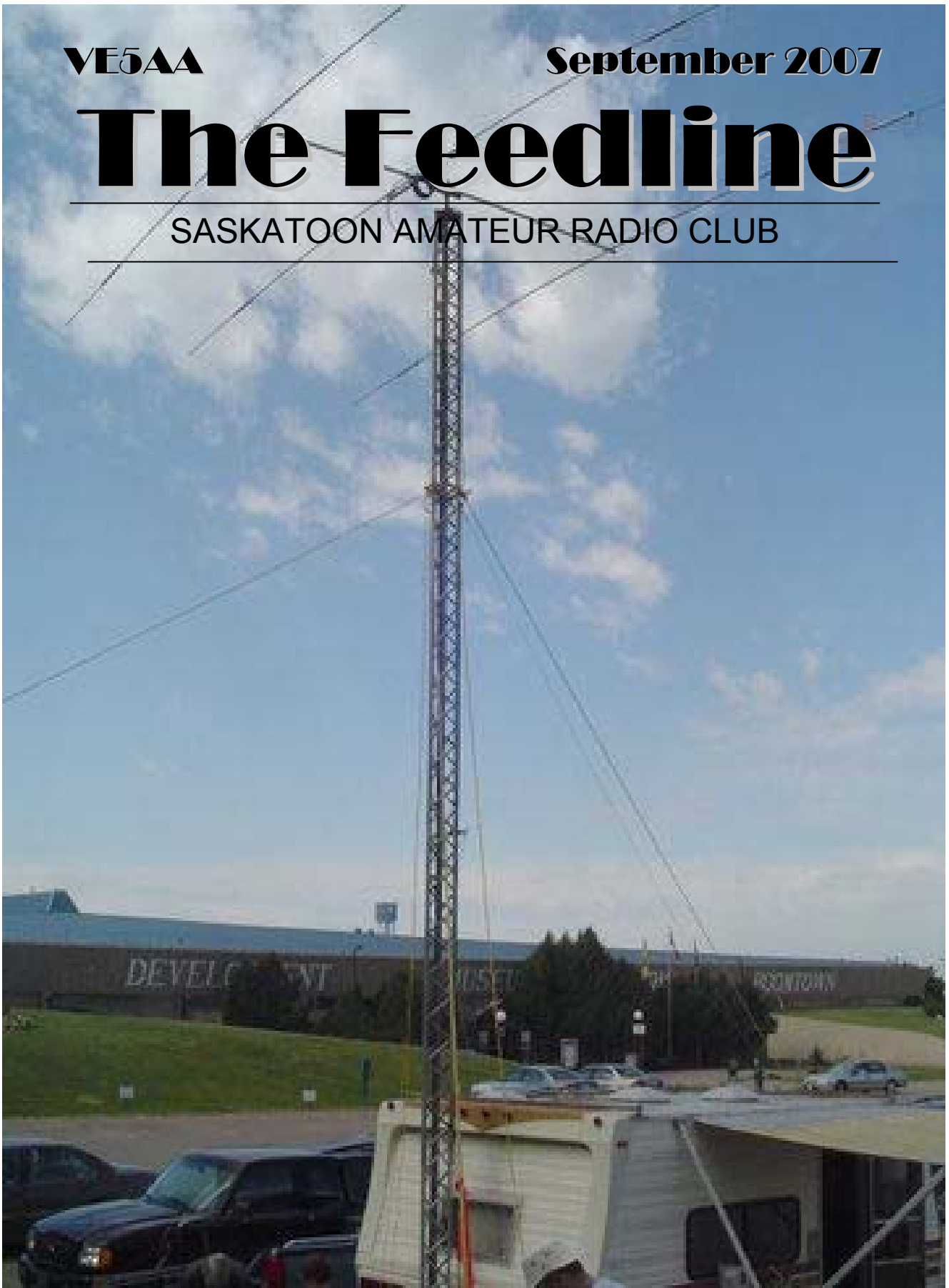


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September 2007

The Feedline

SASKATOON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB





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, Sept 17, 2007
7:00 PM**

**#9 Firehall
870 Attridge Dr.**

**Talk in 146.640-
<http://www.ares-saskatoon.ca/>**

NEXT CLUB MEETING

**Tuesday, Sept 11, 2007
7:30 PM**

**ALVIN BUCKWOLD SCHOOL
715 East Drive
West entrance**

BE THERE!

Contests

**Sept 1 Russian RTTY WW
Contest
Sept 8-10 ARRL VHF QSO
Party
Sept 9 NA Sprint CW
Sept 9-10 Tennessee QSO
Party
Sept 16 NA Sprint SSB
Sept 29 CQ WW DX RTTY**

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

COFFEE

**Thomas Cook
Restaurant
Saturdays 9:00 AM
Idyllwild & 24th 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

September 2007

LOCAL AREA REPEATERS

VE5SK	146.640-	Saskatoon SARC
VE5SCA	146.940-	Saskatoon
VE5ZH	147.270-	2 MHz offset, Saskatoon, Auto Patch
VE5FUN	145.290-	Sktn 100Hz tone, IRLP node 1340, IPARN, 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
VE5BRC/1	147.240+	North Battleford
VE5RPA	147.150+	Bellevue to PA
VA5LLR	145.390-	Lizard Lake
VA5SV	145.330-	Ridge East of Sktn
VE5RPD	145.190-	Elbow/Davidson

ATV

VE5ATV	439.250 in	1277.250 out	Saskatoon
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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	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-
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
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday June 12, 2007, 7:40 pm

- 1. Opening of meeting and welcoming of guests** by president Ron VE5RMS
Guests: Sam & Steve Derbawka (Sam is a VE52B)
- 2. Motion to accept minutes of Previous meeting** as circulated in the Feedline
Motion to accept: Eric VE5HG 2nd : Herb VE5HE Motion Passed
- 3. No new business arising out of the previous minutes**
- 4. Treasurer's report/budget:** Prepared by AI VE5MDC,
Motion to accept: Don VE5LQ 2nd: Jim VE5JIM Motion Passed
- 5. Review of 2007-2008 Financial Budget:** Presented by AI VE5MDC
Motion to accept: Herb VE5HE 2nd: Eric VE5HG Motion Passed

Review of Balance Sheet for 2007: Presented by AI VE5MDC
Motion to accept: Herb VE5HE 2nd: Derek VE5JDP Motion Passed

6. Status of Vote to Waive Audit of Club Finances. Sufficient votes from members have been gathered to waive the need for the audit. 23 votes were gathered at the Feb 20th meeting and an additional 15 forms were signed afterwards making a total of 38 out of 46 members in favour of waiving the audit (83%). AI will send the paperwork off.

7. Status of Club Trailer. John VA5RJA has been working on setting up the tower mechanism on the trailer and has about a 1/2 hour more of welding to do before the trial hoist of the tower. Still need to add a trap door for the coax and possibly add some outlets such as power bars. Bob VE5BRT suggested he had some power bar stripping he could donate.

8. Field Day Preparations. Jim VE5JIM will supply an additional BBQ along with Bruce & Leigh's.
Bruce VE5BNC and Leigh VE5LEE will take care of the food. Still need volunteers to help set up and run the Field Day event. Les VE5LPP printed up some tickets for the BBQ and they are available for \$5 per person. About 20 people are interested so far.

9. Any Other Business

Service Events: 2007 Marathon results presented by Gus VE5SPI. The trailer worked great! He thanks all the volunteers for getting up early for the event, although five more volunteers were needed in addition to the 15 that came out.

Leigh VE5LEE served up BBQ food afterwards. Could have used multiple channels and multiple radios/operators in the trailer. Fibreglass pole for the 2m antenna worked fine. Station was powered successfully with a Gel battery.

In September the Parkinson's Walk will be held on the North end of the MVA trail near Whiteswan drive. Gus needs volunteers to sign up now to determine whether we will have sufficient numbers to support the event.

Lions Club Band update: Bruce VE5BNC passed on word that the need to support this event was cancelled when they determined that they only needed two people on either side of a bowl to indicate the next band to come into the stadium. GRS radios or cell phones were recommended.

Tower issues for Syl VE5YK raised by a neighbour: Terry VE5HF was asked to look into the issue by the City. Terry and Gus VE5SPI climbed the tower to perform an inspection and do some minor maintenance to grease the rotor bearing, check cable ties and removed a small antenna. Terry will create a report to present to Syl with the findings, but no issues were discovered during the inspection.

Bob VE5BRT mentioned that he is already having concerns with his neighbour over a mast he has raised.

10. SARC Club Executive Nominations (Round 2) & Elections

Nominations made during the previous meeting:

President (2 year term):
Position Open for nominations.

Secretary (2 year term):
Terry VE5HF nominated by John VA5RJA , seconded by Les VE5LPP.

Director 1 (2 year term):
Bob VE5NFG nominated by Les VE5LPP, seconded by John VA5RJA.

Director 2 (2 year term):
Ron VA5RON nominated by John VA5RJA, seconded by Herb VE5HE.

New Nominations (2nd Round)

President (2 yr term)
Terry VE5HF nominated by Al VE5MDC , seconded by Eric VE5HG.
Motion to cease nomination after third call by Don VE5LQ,
2nd Eric VE5HG. Motion passed. Terry voted President by
acclimation.

Secretary (2 yr term)

Previous nomination for Terry VE5HF removed since he now has another position.

Herb VE5HE nominated by John VA5RJA. 2nd by Bob VE5BRT.

Motion to cease nomination after third call by Don VE5LQ,
2nd Chris VE5QV. Motion passed. Herb voted Secretary by acclamation.

Director 1 (2 yr term)

No additional Nominations arose for this position. Bob VE5NFG only nominee.

Motion to cease nomination after third call by Derek VE5JDP,
2nd Herb VE5HE. Motion passed. Bob voted Director by acclamation.

Director 2 (2 yr term)

Mike VE5MMG nominated by Bob VE5BRT , seconded by Gus VE5SPI.

Motion to cease nomination after three calls by Derek VE5JDP,
2nd Bob VE5BRT. Motion passed. Elections called for vote between
Ron VA5RON and Mike VE5MMG. Ron voted Director by majority.

Conclusion of the 2007 Elections.

50/50 draw won by Heather VE5HAP

Motion to Adjourn : Les VE5LPP Time: 9:00 pm

Terry Shuya VE5HF
Recording Secretary



Membership Dues Time

As our membership year runs from September 1, 2007 to August 31, 2008, it's time to ante up. There's a membership application form at the end of the Feedline.

Silent Key

Blair Kool VE5KI

Feb 10, 1936 – July 14, 2007



Kenneth (Blair) Kool February 10, 1936 July 14, 2007 It is with sad hearts that the family announces the peaceful passing of Blair Kool at Saskatoon City Hospital on July 14 due to complications of ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease). Blair will be missed by his family, wife Gertie; son, Perry (Camille); daughter Shelly (Jim) Wessels; four grandchildren, Barend, Emily, Jordan and Aaron. Blair is also survived by his sister Faye (Murray Dalrymple); brother-in-law Duane Martin; sister-in-law May Janzen (Alvin); mother-in-law Marie Mueller; as well as many other family members. Predeceasing Blair were his parents, Fred and Molly, his older sister Delores Martin, father-inlaw John Mueller and brother-in-law Horst

Mueller. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to ALS Society of SK. 31028 Normanview Mall, Regina, SK S4R 8R6.

BLAIR KOOL - VE5KI - SILENT KEY

I knew that Blair was in a battle with ALS and hadn't talked to him for some time. One evening, I just felt the need to call his place to see how he was doing. No one but the answering machine answered my call, but later that evening, Blair's wife Gertie called to say that Blair had been a patient at City Hospital for several weeks. He had trouble breathing and was on oxygen. He was unable to speak but communicated by writing. A few days later, my answering machine took a call from Gertie, advising that Blair had died that morning.

Although not an active ham currently, through the years, Blair was on the air a lot and locals particularly enjoyed talking to him on the "snowbird net" while he and Gertie spent the winter months in the Phoenix area or mobiling somewhere. On their return to Saskatoon in the spring, the Kools always brought Vera and I a bag of lemons which magically, Veran turned into lemon loaves and lemon pies!

In the early 1970s, CNIB management urged me to organize a ham class for blind individuals in this area. Blair was one of the sponsors who helped four of us to get on the air by building HW-12 rigs, dipole antennas, and shepherding us to the

point when we were ready to hit the airwaves. Blair was the sponsor for Fred Small who became VE5UX, a wonderful guy, who became very active in passing traffic between VE8RCS at alert and other points. When I had my tower and beam installed, Blair built the beam direction indicator for me from a schematic sent to me by another blind ham, VE6BAT in Edmonton.

In addition to ham radio, Blair and I had another mutual interest and hobby - music. Blair played guitar, accordion and keyboard, at least those are the instruments I know of. We actually had a jam session or two.

73 Blair

VE5HE - (Herb Essenburg)

Field Day 2007 by John Anton VA5RJA

" A SHORT STORY "



It was a very good weekend weather wise, with Ned doing around the clock duty as always. This year he was able to enjoy the increased comfort of our "new" trailer. The trailer set up easily and with the awning gave us

a pleasant hang out. We had some problems finding an antenna that would work with our radio but Ned got it going after some effort. We were missing several of our regulars due to other commitments however Bob NFG gave us the use of his power plant before he left and we put it to good use. Lee and Bruce gathered the food for the BBQ, Jim gave us a grill and Gus made a great chef. All in all it was a good field day, I think they even made a few contacts. I won't list the operators for fear of omitting someone but I did see Herb HE, Gary PNQ, Glen GAM, and Eric HG along with several others giving Ned a hand. The rest of us worked hard to reduce leftover food and were quite successful.

John VA5RJA



Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club

**Parkinson
Super Walk
for
Saskatoon**

The
organizers of
the above event

have again asked if Ham Radio Operators would be available, as in other years, to assist with this fund raising event. It will be held at the same location as before. The date is Sunday Sept. 9th. I will get further details in the near future and pass them along to anyone interested in helping with this event.

I can be contacted at 249-3996 or 270-9980. We will need about 8 to 10 volunteers from approx. 10:00 to 13:30. There is a BBQ afterwards for those who attend. Parkinson's Disease is a very destructive disease

and researchers need help to find a cure.

73
Gus VE5SPI



Santa Claus Parade

Well by the time you read this everyone will be back into his or

her fall routine and the next big events will be Thanksgiving and Christmas!! Just a reminder that the organizers of the Santa Claus Parade will be starting their planning for this event in Sept. . The event is usually held in November approx. Sunday the 18th. I will share the details with everyone when they become known. So mark your calendars! We will need approx. 20 volunteers to make this event happen safely and without incident.

73
Gus VE5SPI



New RAC HF Band Plan Proposed

A new RAC proposed band plan is now posted on the RAC Web site.

RAC's HF Band Planning Committee has revised the present band plan and it is now posted on the Web awaiting your comments.

<http://www.rac.ca/service/hfband.htm>

Your new executive



Pres Terry Shuya VE5HF



Past Pres.
Ron Sather
VE5RMS



V/P
Leigh Coates
VE5LEE



Treas.
Al Labbie
VE5MDC



Rec. Sec.
Herb Essenburg
VE5HE



Dir.
Ron Watson
VA5RON



Dir.
Per Jacobsen
VE5PER



Dir.
John Anton
VA5RJA



Dir.
Bob Hilton
VE5NFG

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL



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 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.**