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RAC will be at our June Club Meeting.

From Club Executive

Jeff Stewart VA3WXM, RAC Ontario South Director will attend our Club meeting in June to answer questions about RAC. He will also let us know what RAC is about and how it helps us as HAM in Canada.

To facilitate a smooth meeting we will take written questions from Club members in advance so that Jeff has a chance to prepare responses in-depth to meet the needs / queries presented to him.

Jeff has indicated as well as he is willing to take questions from the floor as well.

This is your opportunity to get information straight from the source on things like: what it means to be an affiliated Club with RAC. Just what does the RAC membership really get you. Did anyone in RAC do cost comparisons on liability insurance to make sure RAC members are getting a good deal. Have any HAMS in Canada had to use the liability insurance. And on and on...

I'm sure there are even more questions that could be answered, like how to use the QSL bureau or what is RAC doing to get more HAMS to sign up for membership.

Please submit your questions to the Club Secretary by June 9th.

VE3 QSL Bureau is under new management.

From Ed VA3TPV via Peter VA3PWH

Date: Fri, 25 May 2012 14:22:58 -0400

To Ontario Amateur Radio Organizations:

Please be informed that the VE3 QSL Bureau is now under new management.

Gary Westhouse, VE3NIT, manager of the VE3 QSL Bureau, has retired from the VE3 Bureau and has entrusted the QSL Bureau operation to Mike Christmas, VE3XMS/VA3FS, and the new VA3/VE3 Incoming QSL Bureau organization.

Please publish a note in your club newsletter indicating the change of the VE3 Bureau address as follows:

C/O Mike Christmas
VA3/VE3 Incoming QSL Bureau
PO Box 216
Streetsville, ON L5M 2B8

Email: gslmgr@ontarioincomingqslbureau.ca

Please also note that the VA3/VE3 Incoming QSL Bureau has thousands of unclaimed QSL cards for those hams who have not registered with the Bureau. The Incoming Bureau is a user pay service. You do not need to be a member of RAC to use the VA3/VE3 Incoming QSL Bureau.

If you do not wish to receive QSL cards via the Bureau, please put a note to that effect on your QRZ.com listing.

We will not be storing these unclaimed cards forever. Contact the Bureau if you are interested in obtaining your unclaimed QSL cards.

Information on the QSL Bureau system can be found on the RAC web site at

<http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/services/qsl-bureaux/>

If you have any questions on the VA3/VE3 Incoming QSL Bureau, please either contact myself or Mike Christmas, VA3/VE3 Incoming QSL Bureau Manager.

73,

Ed Spingola, VA3TPV
Incoming Mail Manager
VA3/VE3 Incoming QSL Bureau

60M Band one step closer?

From Bill, VE3XT via Stan VE3TW

Special North East Ontario Regional Directors Report

Finally after a two year wait from Industry Canada they have Gazetted the request from Radio Amateurs of Canada for access to 60M.



Here is the link to the gazette item: <http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2012/2012-05-12/html/notice-avis-eng.html#d108>

This has been a long hard go and has taken a lot of time and effort on the part of Radio Amateurs of Canada on behalf of all Canadian Amateurs.

I would encourage you all to submit a positive comment on this proposal in the format required.

Watch for an official RAC bulletin on this very shortly with further analysis.

If you have any questions or concerns please email me at ve3xt@rac.ca.

Bill VE3XT
North East Ontario Regional Director
Radio Amateurs of Canada

Thank you to Eric VE3BYZ and Denise VE3DMN.

From Ken, VE3RMK

Many of you likely know Eric and Denise, long-time Club members. They recently sold their QTH and have donated some antennas to the Club for distribution to Club members who are new Hams and need a base antenna.

So far I have checked out the following:

- QTY 2 - Cushcraft Ringo AR2 antennas
- QTY 1 – Cushcraft Ringo AR2X antenna
- QTY 1 – Shakespeare VHF Marine antenna
- QTY 1 – Larsen 2M mobile mount (requires a hole in the vehicle exterior)

There are also the following:

- Roll-up 2M J-pole with coax and BNC connector
- 3 Shakespeare CB antennas.

There may be others available as well as I sort through things. There are what look like 2 'blanks' should anyone be interested in 'rolling their own'.

So if you know someone who has need of an antenna please let the executive know.

We appreciate Eric's and Denise's generosity. .

Remember your Club over the summer.

As we head into the summer season remember that we have to field a team for Field Day coming up. Please contact Martha VA3SBD to see how you can help.

Also there we have the Ride 4 United Way coming up later in the summer. It's always a good day out to practice your radio skills. This year I'll be looking at more options for power connectors so that I don't run out of battery... Stay tuned for more news.

Your humble scribe

Ken

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