Guelph Amateur Radio Club – Regular Meeting – 2021-05-17

Regular Meeting Convened: 7:00PM Virtually

Roll Call: VE3KTB, VA3QR, VE3XYT, VE3FE, VE3ILJ, VE3SFW, VA3QAK, VE3SLD, VA3ZXN, VE3HTU, Don McCarthy (SWL)

Approval of minutes from meeting of 19 April 2021. No changes required. Moved to accept by VA3QR, seconded by VE3FE

Treasurers report:

VE3SLD has dripped off brief case with financial documents to treasurer Don McCarthy as of 30 April balanced \$10231.23. Only expenditure was for bank fees. Statemetrs continue to be sent to ve3sld. Will be transferred to Don in the fall.

Community Events:

VE3SFW says nothing to report on community events

Remberance day:

VE3ILJ still expecting to keep to one bubble at Hammond for 11 November others may operate from home if like last year. Will evaluate in real time

QSL manager:

Nothing reported.

Repeaters:

No updates on repeater. VA3QR has dropped off antenna analyzer to VE3JVC

VA3ZXN reports no upgrades have been carried out yet, but has acquired a WiresX box, which may go onto the VA3SLD repeater if a stable internet connection becomes available.

VA3SLD says they may put a spare unit in so that the current repeater can be removed and worked on offline to connect and configure the WiresX equipment.

Club nets:

VA3ZXN says little to report. No participation on last Monday

Technical:

Nothing from VE3PVB.

RAC:

VA3QR reports Basic course underway, Advanced to be starting soon. 100% increase in new licensees last year. There has been significant turnover in the management at ISED (Innovation, Science and Economic Development, ie. The Regulator). All new at senior level but all interested in amateur radio. RAC to start new "Annual Challenge" for remote/mobile operating.

ARRL says Field Day rules will be extended to permit operation as it was last year.

VE3FE moves to close business meeting, seconded by VE3HTU