

Thursday March 16, 2017

Location: QTH Of Adam VE4SN

Twenty First Meeting of the Radiosport Manitoba (RSMB) group

In attendance:

Adam VE4SN
Leor VE4DXR/VE4ET
Rob VE4GV
Harm VE4HAZ/VA4HZ
Ed VE4EAR / VE4VT
Dan VE4DRK/VE4EV
Cary VE4EA
John VE4VJR
Jessie VE4JBB
Peter VE4TTH (guest)
Fred K9VV (remote)
Brad VE3MXJ (remote)
Gerry W1VE (remote)
Bill VE3XT (remote)
Gord VE6SV (remote)

Regrets:

Kelly VE4XT

Ed VE4EAR started the meeting at 19:18

Minutes: no discussion. No minutes posted. Nothing read.

Opening Comments: Bands are horrible.

Harm presented Treasurers report:

Basically the same as last month.

Total Income: 1489.65

Receivables: \$65

Peter VE4TTH Presented on field day.

Peter discussed with Cary regarding field day.

WARC has been slowly allocating new gear. ICOM 7300 recent radio acquisition. Building a portable antenna trailer (boat trailer) 30' trailer with inverter/generator. Can be easily setup with 2 people. Not available for this years field day. Request was asked whether RSM wanted to take care of the field day. June 24, 25 2017.

Indicated camp amisk is available. Volunteers needed. Leadership needed.

Leor indicated he will coordinate the leadership component. Peter will make sure we have enough coax/wires/etc. Peter mentioned possible GAP vertical antenna available. Cary mentioned 80M inverted L with radios are also available.

CQWPX:

Last weekend in March. Everyone works everyone. As many different prefixes as possible. Special event for Canada will be CG/CF calls. 36 hours single operator. SSB only. Extra points for mult power and prefixes.

Lower frequencies also extra points.

Upcoming DXPeditions:

Ed mentioned quite a few active Dxpeditons already in play.

Contest Calendar:

Winding down for contest season.

6m season soon.

QSO Parties coming up.

Russian DX contest and Bart RTTY contest.

Next weekend is WPX.

Rob asked what's up with MB QSO Party.

If serious, need ample time to publicize. Print material, web, etc.

How to we setup scoring since not many HF operations outside main cities.

Cary introduced:

K9VV (NP2X) Fred Cleaver from US Virgin Islands.

Visitors from Thunder Bay VE3CX.

Fred is very serious radiosport contester. John VE3EJ placed high in RS team championship.

Fred is #1 NA Zone 9 competitor for WRTC 2018. All with low power from US VI.

Presentation on site setup – start about 20:00hrs until about 20:30hrs.

Reverse Beacon Network presentation.

Presentation ended about 21:15hrs

Thanks to Adam VE4SN and his XYL for refreshments and snacks.

VE4GV moves that the initial membership fee of \$30 be charter memberships. And subsequent memberships will be \$25 subsequently. Cary VE4EA Second. Moved.

VE4VJR has asked to join RSMB. Harm VE4HAZ motioned. Cary VE4EA seconded. Moved.

Peter mentioned new home is being looked for for the Shaftsbury RF site. It appears new change of staff is not amenable to continuation in future.

No cards to distribute today.

Next meeting: TBA

End meeting (approx 9:46pm)