

Charlottetown Amateur Radio Club

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| President | Vice-President | Secretary Treasurer |
| Bill McMaster VY2WM | Joel MacNeill VY2KW | Charles Easter VY2CE |

Minutes of March 1, 2022 meeting.

Bill VY2WM called the meeting to order at 7:25 PM.

Member present were:

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| Bill MacMaster VY2WM | Charles Easter VY2CE |
| Joel MacNeill VY2KW | Brent Taylor VY2HF |
| William Caw VY2CAW | Richard Burke VY2RB |
| Ron MacKay VE1AIC | Micah Gallant VY2MIC |
| Darrell MacArthur VY2OM | Selina Trainer VY2OL |
| Brian Gorveatt VY2BG | Tyler MacNeill VY2TM |
| Doug Silliker VY2DS | |

Regrets were received from Bill Glydon VY2LI

Bill VY2WM asked if there was any knowledge of persons sick or silent keys. It was noted that Dave VY2DAC has been sick and now is recovering at home.

Announcements:

Charles advised that the 2022 membership dues are now payable and you can use E.transfer using the address of treasurer.charlottetownarc.com. This address is also on the club web page.

Minutes of November 4, 2021 meeting:

Bill VY2WM advised that since the minutes were sent to all members there was no need for the secretary to read them. Moved by Bill VY2WM, seconded by Selina VY2OL to approve the minutes as circulated. Motion carried.

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Business arising from the minutes:

Bill VY2WM said the committee reports would cover business from the minutes.

President report:

Bill VY2WM said he was pleased to report had our meeting location has been confirmed for the year 2022. Also Field Day at Graham's Pond had been the highlight of the year for the club and he thanked Ron VE1AIC for the excellent photography of field day. He spoke on the classes for getting a amateur licence getting cancelled because of COVID-19. Also how well the Thursday night 80 meter net and the Saturday morning 2 meter breakfast net have been received. Bill spoke on having the information sessions as part of the meetings. Also on SARC having a Saturday demonstration of amateur radio at the Super store parking lot. Bill said he would like to set up his remote operation at Graham's pond so that other hams could use it.

Treasurer report:

Charles said he had 8 members renew their membership and one new member for 2022.

Moved by William VY2CAW, seconded by Richard VY2RB that the financial report be approved. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Secretary advised that we had email from RAC with the Certificate of Insurance for 2022 from Aon Reed Stenhouse Inc. attached.

Committee reports:

Repeater/Technical VE1AIC

Ron VE1AIC reported on the Montague repeater and looking at getting a new location for the receiver which should help with the noise problem.

Ron spoke about interference problems with the VE1CRA repeater 146.67.

Seems like it is caused by a local amateur and at times Ron had to shut the repeater down. Ron assured us that it is not a problem with the repeater and it is best to just ignore the amateur.

Emergency Preparedness VY2CAW

William VY2CAW reported that he is still trying to having a meeting with EMO.

Training Courses VY2HF

Brent VY2HF reported that because of COVID-19 the in person course did not happen and he sent a Email to all the contacts and advised them for the present time to use the RAC online course.

Web Site VY2MIC

Micah VY2MIC asked if the chat feature is needed as it is getting very little use. Micah suggested that he would keep it up til the end of the year to see if it getting more use before deleting it

PEI QSL bureau VY2DS / VY2OM

Doug VY2DS advised that the bureau is up and running. But there is a lot of cards that they are unable to contact.

New Business:

Field Day 2022

Doug VY2DS said that SARC is planning a Field Day at Belmont Park and planning on having memorial certificate for a Silent Key.

Bill VY2WM felt that it would be a good idea for CARC to join with SARC for the Field Day operations. It was noted the some rules for Field Day has changed, such as lower power limits.

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Other club activities:

Doug VY2DS said SARC is planning a Amateur Radio demonstration at the Super store in May.

It was noted that the SMART Symposium in Springhill is on April 30, 2022.

Darrell VY2OM spoke about getting new call prefixes for working contests and suggested that we look at new call sign the 2023 winter games.

Ron VE1AIC adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Charles Easter
Secretary

Bill McMaster
President