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# **NEWSCASTER**

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IRLP # 1066 on VE4WRS 145.450-

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# Mennonite Disaster Service

**By Lois Nickel** 

Date: Monday, October 18, 2010

Time: 7:30 PM

Place: Dakota Collegiate - (In the theatre)

661 Dakota Street (At Beliveau Rd.)

Other Important Dates...

**WARC:** Monthly Meeting Dates

November 8, 2010

RAC presentation

**December 13, 2010** 

**Annual Christmas Party** 

WSC: 2nd Thursday of month

Breakfast—Garden City Inn

**ARES:** October 19, 2010

**UTM Map System** 

Other: October 16—17, 2010

Jamboree On The Air

October 22, 2010

SHARP Balloon Launch

Sunday, Oct 24, 2010

**WARC Flea Market** 

ve4baw@rac.ca

# WARC Executive for 2010-2011...

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And now a word from the President By Mark, VE4MAB

Being outside and feeling the mid 20's temperatures makes it hard to believe that fall is actually upon us. Well it is so it's time to clean out the shack in preparation for our Fall Flea Market on October 24,, and trade some of your "Junque" for more of it! And the best part, having those "Eyeball QSO's" at "Ruth's Kitchen!"

A big pat on the back goes out to David, VE4DAR, for his ongoing promotion of WARC and Amateur Radio through the basic course at RRC, promoting our hobby to the local Scout and Cub groups for Jamboree On The Air, and the many more ideas that he suggested, that we have yet to be implemented.

All of this takes time and effort and is indeed needed as we compete with the newer generations social networking trends. Thanks to our members who volunteered to help out with JOTA and offering to make presentations at the local Cub and Scout groups.

Lets not stop here. Lets get this rolling and keep the momentum up making it a regular event. Take some time to think about all the venues where you think we can promote our hobby and bring them up at our next meeting. Think of this as another event for us to get out and do the "Show & Tell" thing while enjoying our hobby!

Stay Tuned !!

# "Membership Renewal Time"

WARC memberships expired on Sept.30, 2010.
Have you renewed yet???
Membership renewed/explication is our web site.

Membership renewal/application is our web site http://www.mts.net/~warc/warc-app.pdf

Our Vision

Past President Geoff Bawden

To increase public awareness and respect for Amateur radio; to provide education and support in all aspects of the hobby to our members in a social atmosphere

# WARC Meeting Minutes, Sept. 13, 2010 Taken by Jim, VE4SIG

Call to order @1935 hrs 37 in attendance

### Introductions -

The new executive was introduced

# Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting – Moved by VE4HAY seconded by VE4GWN

# Secretary' Report -

Three letters were received all of which were membership renewals and passed to the Membership Director

# Membership Report —

The Membership Director was busy handling renewals and was unable to provide a report

# Treasurers Report —

A detailed report was not available but we budgeted \$1200 for Field Day and spent \$1260.

## Education—

Report by VE4DAR – at this point only two people have registered for the course at RRC and if we don't have at least 6 registered by this Saturday the course will be postponed until the new year. (Note by Secretary- UMARS appears to be running a course as well aimed at Engineering students).

An instructor orientation session was run and several

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> IRLP Node 1066 145.450 MHz -600 KHz (VE4WRS)

Comments or if you just want to reach us:

Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club C/O VE4WSC 598 St., Mary's Road Winnipeg, MB R2M 3L5

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new instructors are involved including a couple of graduates of last year's course.

VE4DAR also brought up the Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) for the scouts that is on 15-17 Oct. He plans a double pronged approach where the WSC station is available for Scout Troops to come visit; and 2 person teams could go visit troops at their meeting locations to set up portable stations for the Scouts to use.

He asked for volunteers and the following responded

VE4GWN VE4JNF VE4SE VE4DAR VE4VZ VE4GKS VE4SIG

If you're interested in helping out (either at the WSC station or on a mobile team) contact VE4DAR (darosner@mts.net)

JOTA is a great opportunity to get young people exposed to the hobby and we should be making as much of this opportunity as we can (for more information about JOTA see <a href="http://www.rac.ca/en/amateur-radio/operating-technical/scouts/jota47.pdf">http://www.rac.ca/en/amateur-radio/operating-technical/scouts/jota47.pdf</a>).

# Field Day -

62 people attended and we made a whopping 164 contacts.

## ARES -

VE4MBQ reports that ARES is involved in South Interlake Regional Disaster Response Exercise involving 6 regional command posts.

### Programs -

The Program Director (VE4CDM) discussed activities for upcoming meetings.

October – an in-depth discussion on RAC moderated by the RAC National President (if you're a RAC member you don't want to miss this opportunity to talk about the direction and future of YOUR organization).

November - TBA

December – our usual Christmas party but possibly a potluck with significant others invited.

**April – Homebrew Nite** 

Suggestions for possible activities/presentations included

D-Star University (once the D-Star repeater is up and running)

a PowerPole Party to give people a chance to install a standardized power connector on their equipment,

a presentation on digital modes; and a presentation on contesting.

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There appears to be no shortage of topics that can be covered, the issue is getting someone to do a presentation — if you have knowledge on a particular topic and would be willing to do a presentation let the executive know — we will provide you all the help you might need building a PowerPoint (in many cases you can find one already on the internet that just needs to be personalized)

IRLP, Echolink, Linking Repeaters; what can you share with the club.

# DX-

VE4SN was not in attendance but VE4VZ reported there is lots of activity

### RAC -

VE4HAY reported that Industry Canada is taking it's call sign database in-house which would allow people to update their information via the website. As well ARC is changing the way the QSL bureau operates to trim costs.

A short discussion on the City Of Winnipeg's Tower Protocol followed – more information can be found at http://winnipeg.ca/ppd/celltowers/FAQ.stm

# Good & Welfare -

VE4MAB reported that the storage container has been purchased and set up at Prairie Communications yard – a work party is planed for this weekend to move everything form our existing storage locker into it.

The D-Star repeater is coming together and can be expected to be operational by???

**Door Prizes** — won by VE4AUT and VE4XYL.

### Program –

- Wedding invitations

a riveting video of field day complete with subject appropriate music (see <a href="http://www.hamband.com/html/">http://www.hamband.com/html/</a> the ham band.html) put together by VE4MAB.

Moved to adjourn by VE4GKS and adjourned at 2130 hrs

# DIAMOND IMAGE Floyd Rolph VE4 FDR 835 Cavalier Drive Tel: (204) 888-3227 Winnipeg, MB R2Y 1C6 Fax: (204) 831-6400 - South Western & Victorian home decor - ty Beanie Babies - Balloon bouquets & decorating - Gifts - Printing eg: Business cards, letterhead, envelopes

# Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club Fall Flea Market

Sunday October 24, 2010 Heritage Victoria Community Club 950 Sturgeon Road, Winnipeg, MB (2 Blocks north of Ness Avenue)

CASH Door Prizes
1st Prize - \$ 100
2nd Prize - \$ 50
(Must be present to win)

Admission \$3.00

Doors open for coffee and socializing 9:30 am

Vendor Setup 9:45 am-10:30 am

Doors open for buyers 10:30 am-noon

Fill your pockets with loonies and toonies for the Winnipeg Ares silent auction.

Don't stop enroute at Timmies, or the golden arches or other coffee places. Ruth's kitchen will have the best coffee and muffins in north America. Enjoy an eyeball QSO before the buying frenzy begins!

Tables: \$5.00 each for WARC members Commercial & non WARC members \$10.00

For Tables—

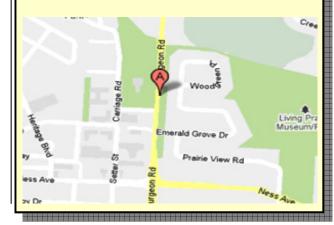
Contact Ruth Mills VE4XYL by e-mail at ve4se@mts.net or call 204-837-6915

We still need a few volunteers!

To volunteer or for info-

Contact Dick Maguire VE4HK by e-mail at ve4hk@rac.ca

or call 204-256-3143



# WPGARES By Jeff, VE4MBQ Emergency Coordinator

Sixteen ARES members (15 from Winnipeg ARES) volunteered for shifts as CANWARN Net Controllers for VE4WWO in the Prairie & Arctic Storm Prediction Centre between 17 MAY and 5 SEP. Our on-call periods run 0930-1730h and 1730-2130h daily. Not only did Bill Simm VE4ALW from Portage la Prairie tie Harm Hazeu VE4HAZ in that each took five weeks of on-call duty this past season, Bill drives in from Portage la Prairie when he is on call and has been activated by PASPC staff. The 2010 Volunteer CANWARN Net Controllers for VE4WWO were VE4s:

BN, EH, JNF, DWG, HAZ, EIH, KEH, RCJ, HG, MMG, GWN, AJO, ESX, ALW, RST and MBQ.

During the 2010 Summer Severe Weather Season we ran eleven (11) Severe Weather Nets, ranging from one hour to nine hours duration. VE4MAN was used during at least five Severe Weather Nets for at least twenty-nine hours. The cooperation extended to us by Manitoba Repeater Society and other repeater owners in Manitoba is greatly appreciated. There were five other service/test/familiarization sessions logged at VE4WWO in addition to being open for seven hours SUN 20 JUN supporting the Manitoba Marathon. There is a debrief meeting for WWO Controllers WED 13 OCT 1930h at PASPC.

Nine Winnipeg ARES volunteers provided Amateur Radio communications SAT 11 SEP for the Parkinson SuperWalk that was based at the SFM Cultural Centre 340 Provencher Blvd. Special thanks to Kent VE4KEH for coordinating this event for us.

Winnipeg ARES volunteers were VE4s:

STS, DAR, YYL, GKS, JAH, BOY, EIH, GWN and KEH.

Our September General Meeting featured a presentation by Don Gerrard VE4DWG on the recent South Interlake Exercise *Shooting Star*. After Don's presentation Richard VE4ESX and Andy VE4RDO shared some of their photos and experiences at the Stonewall EOC. Six Winnipeg ARES members joined ARES volunteers from other units to staff particular rural EOCs 18 SEP for what was quite possibly the largest Emergency Management Exercise ever run in Manitoba:

Stonewall VE4s ESX & RDO
Riverton VE4s SYM & TRO
Simulation Cell VE4s HAZ, KEH & DWG
Stand-By VE4s GKS, JAH, SE.

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amateur/amateur.html

We Will Be MOVING...
November 1, 2010
<sub>To</sub>
197 Leila Avenue, Winnipeg, MB

Come See Us At Our New Location

The Winnipeg ARES 2m Beam Kit and several runs of 50 feet of RG-8 went out with our volunteers.

The City of Winnipeg Emergency Program is scheduled to run Exercise *Ice* THURS 14 OCT in conjunction with some of the public utilities. WPGARES has been invited to participate in this table-top exercise and at least two members are scheduled to participate.

Craig Martin VE4CDM has recently been appointed as Fundraising Chair for Winnipeg ARES. Craig is busy now working on the details of this Fall's WPGARES Silent Auction at the WARC Flea Market 24 OCT. Chris Setla VE4SET has facilitated donation of some L.E.D. PALight Survival Flashlights for use in that fundraising event.

Our Annual General Meeting is TUE 19 OCT 1900h at Sir Wm Stephenson Library 765 Keewatin Street – Ian Clark VE4CLK will be giving us a presentation on the UTM Map System. Members attending should expect to be asked to approve the 2009-10 Financial Statement, review the 2010-11 Proposed Budget and elect the 2010-11 Executive. Nominations for the 2010-11 Executive opened at the conclusion of the SEP General Meeting and will close TUE 12 OCT. Each of the current Executive members have indicated that they will stand for office again.

Contest Calendar Extracted From http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/ TARA PSK Rumble Contest 0000Z-2400Z, Oct 2 ARRL EME Contest 0000Z, Oct 2 to 2359Z, Oct 3 **EPC Russia DX Contest** 0400Z, Oct 2 to 0359Z, Oct 3 Oceania DX Contest, Phone 0800Z, Oct 2 to 0800Z, Oct 3 F9AA Cup, CW 1200Z-2400Z, Oct 2 1600Z-1800Z, Oct 2 (80m) **International HELL-Contest** and 0900Z-1100Z, Oct 3 (40m) **EU Autumn Sprint, SSB** 1600Z-1959Z, Oct 2 California QSO Party 1600Z, Oct 2 to 2200Z, Oct 3 F9AA Cup, SSB 0000Z-1200Z, Oct 3 **UBA ON Contest, SSB** 0600Z-1000Z, Oct 3 German Telegraphy Contest 0700Z-0959Z, Oct 3 RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest 0700Z-1900Z, Oct 3 0100Z-0300Z, Oct 5 **ARS Spartan Sprint** 432 MHz Fall Sprint 1900 local - 2300 local, Oct 6 SARL 80m QSO Party 1700Z-2000Z, Oct 7 YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest 1400Z, Oct 8 to 0200Z, Oct 10 0000Z, Oct 9 **CQ SA SSB Contest** to 2400Z, Oct 10 **Makrothen RTTY Contest** 0000Z-0759Z, Oct 9 and 1600Z-2359Z, Oct 9 and 0800Z-1559Z, Oct 10 Oceania DX Contest, CW 0800Z, Oct 9 to 0800Z, Oct 10 Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB 1200Z, Oct 9 to 1200Z, Oct 10 WAB HF Phone 1200Z, Oct 9 to 1200Z, Oct 10 Arizona QSO Party 1600Z, Oct 9 to 0600Z, Oct 10 and 1400Z-2359Z, Oct 10 **EU Autumn Sprint, CW** 1600Z-1959Z, Oct 9 Pennsylvania QSO Party 1600Z, Oct 9 to 0500Z, Oct 10 and 1300Z-2200Z, Oct 10 **FISTS Fall Sprint** 1700Z-2100Z, Oct 9 SKCC Weekend Sprint 0000Z-2400Z, Oct 10 North American Sprint, RTTY 0000Z-0400Z, Oct 10 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint 0001Z-2359Z, Oct 10 **UBA ON Contest, CW** 0600Z-1000Z, Oct 10 NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint 0030Z-0230Z, Oct 13 **CWops Mini-CWT Test** 1100Z-1200Z, Oct 13 and 1900Z-2000Z, Oct 13 and 0300Z-0400Z, Oct 14 1900Z-2030Z, Oct 14 RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW **JARTS WW RTTY Contest** 0000Z, Oct 16 to 2400Z, Oct 17 Microwave Fall Sprint 0600 local - 1200 local, Oct 16

New York QSO Party	1400Z, Oct 16
_	to 0200Z, Oct 17
Worked All Germany Contest	1500Z, Oct 16
	to 1459Z, Oct 17
PODXS 070 Club 160m Great Pumpk	in Sprint
	2000 local, Oct 16
	to 0200 local, Oct 17
Feld Hell Sprint	2000Z-2200Z, Oct 16
Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint, CW	0000Z-0200Z, Oct 17
UBA ON Contest, 2m	0600Z-1000Z, Oct 17
Illinois QSO Party	1700Z, Oct 17
	to 0100Z, Oct 18
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Oct 18
ARRL School Club Roundup	1300Z, Oct 18
	to 2400Z, Oct 22
Araucaria VHF Contest	0000Z, Oct 23
	to 1600Z, Oct 24
FOC QSO Party	0000Z-2359Z, Oct 23
10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW	0001Z, Oct 23
	to 2359Z, Oct 24
SYLRA Contest	1000Z, Oct 23
	to 1000Z, Oct 24
Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Oct 23
	to 1500Z, Oct 24
W/VE Islands QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 23
	to 2359Z, Oct 24
SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Oct 27
RSGB 80m Club Sprint, SSB	1900Z-2030Z, Oct 27
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Oct 30
	to 2400Z, Oct 31
ARRL EME Contest	0000Z, Oct 30
	to 2359Z, Oct 31
10-10 Int. Fall Contest, Digital	0001Z, Oct 30
	to 2359Z, Oct 31
50 MHz Fall Sprint	2300Z, Oct 30
	to 0300Z, Oct 31

# Good Luck In The Contest!

# "Attention New Hams"

Make one of your goals to obtain the ...
"WORKED ALL WINNIPEG AWARD"

# Work 25 Stations Within Winnipeg Direct contact via "Any mode/any band"

(Stations outside Manitoba within North America require 15 contacts and stations outside North America require 10 contacts)

Full details/rules are posted on our web site http://www.mts.net/~warc//awards.html

Amateur Radio / A Community Resource

1200Z, Oct 16 to 2400Z, Oct 17

1400Z-2300Z, Oct 16

**ARCI Fall QSO Party** 

**Iowa QSO Party** 

# RADIO COURSE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA By, Witt Kinsner, VE4WK

A "Radio Course on Regulations, Theory and Practice for Basic Radio Certificate Qualifications" started at the University of Manitoba (UofM) on September 21, 2010 at 6 PM. It has 44 registrants, including 35 UofM undergraduate and graduate students, six students from the Shaftesbury High School (under the supervision of a teacher), one from Manitoba Hydro, one from the Health Sciences Centre, and one from the government.

The course is organized and delivered by Witt Kinsner, VE4WK, with support from UMARS (University of Manitoba Amateur Radio Society), the UofM Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, IEEE Computer & Computational Intelligence Chapter, IEEE UofM Student Branch, and WARC (Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club).

For questions regarding a possible course next year, contact..

Witt Kinsner, Ph.D., P.Eng. Industry Canada Accredited Examiner "Witt Kinsner, VE4WK" kinsner@ece.umanitoba.ca

UMARS URL: http://www.ece.umanitoba.ca/umars/

(Editor's note: This course is intended for students with prior knowledge of electronics and radio.)

# What have you done to "promote amateur radio this week"

That line we credit to an old News stalwart, Peter Parker with using in his old VK1 and VK3 casts many years ago and it still stands true -WIA

# Basic 4 Course at RRC Cancelled By David VE4DAR

The Basic Amateur Radio Operator Course at Red River College, scheduled for September 21 – December 9, had to be cancelled due to low enrollment.

WARC's volunteer instructors had determined that at least six student were needed to make the course worthwhile, given the possibility of dropouts.

With only four students registered a day before, the course was cancelled. Another course is scheduled for the Winter Term at Red River College.

(Editor's note: This course is intended for students with no prior knowledge of electronics and radio.)

# VE4CNR 146.760-Repeater Update

In preparation for a proposed relocation to a tower midway along Dugald Road in Winnipeg, the repeater VE4CNR is now on a limited range test from a <u>location</u> (emphasis on Low) near the east end of runway 07/25 (runway out of service).

This is the Exec II station which was at #One Lombard, combined with the slightly wonky duplexer removed from VE4RAG last year.

The repeater has been touched up, and the duplexer has been retuned. There is slight receiver desensing. Current package sensitivity is .3 microvolts, with 16 watts power out to a single dipole at about 8 metres HAAT. The antenna match is good.

The current controller is a Cat unit, and the time and date are likely all messed up. This is only a test, after all. The frequency is 146.76 negative offset. There is as yet no CTCSS coding applied.

The current antenna is subject to shared use, which means that repeater availability is subject to the whims of the technician under whose bench the repeater currently abides.

Installation at the Dugald Road site is expected to occur later this fall, with further details available at that time. Many future improvements are planned, some may actually occur. More of those details will be available at that time also.

Please pass this along to anyone whom you think might care.

 $\label{eq:signal reports may be addressed to $$\underline{VE4ROB@gmail.com}$.$ 

Please include distance, power, and type of antenna).

Any other questions, comments, suggestions should be addressed to VE4VB, wherever you might find him

73, and thanks for Kerchunking.

VE4ROB (CEC)



News From The Net RAC Bulletin 2010-021E IARU R2 Conference opens 2010-10-06

Oct 5, 2010 Salinitas, El Salvador.

On Monday morning, the usual guests did the usual speeches to officially open the XVII IARU Region 2 Triennial Conference. The country Superintendant of Communications surprised everyone at the end of his speech by announcing that El Salvador had decided to sign the IARP agreement Amendment. This very significant news means that shortly the IARP and the CEPT International Amateur licences will be harmonized and become one.

This is the first concrete step towards a worldwide international roaming permit that has long been wished for by the IARU as well as in the Amateur community.

Special thanks to the Club Radioafficionados de El Salvador (CRAS) for their fruitful efforts.

Daniel Lamoureux, VE2KA Vice President International Affairs Radio Amateurs of Canada

RAC Bulletin 2010-020E President's Bulletin From El Salvador 2010-10-03

As Vice-President International Affairs Lamoureux, VE2KA has pointed out the two of us are in El Salvador.

What are the key issues that would bring us here? Every three years the Assembly that governs Region 2 of the International Amateur Radio Union [IARU] [encompassing all of the Americas] meets to strategize on key issues effecting amateur radio. Of particular interest to Canadians is that we are profiling the recent non amateur use of amateur frequencies in the recent ProTour Bicycle Race in Quebec as an unwarranted intrusion into amateur frequencies. Canadians will also be interested in HF band planning in 40M [now that short wave commercial stations have left the band] strategies to enhance effective response to hurricanes and other emergencies that require amateur radio support. Vantroi Pena HI8VP of the Republica Dominica will add a very human touch to that discussion as he

was one of the Republica Dominica amateurs that set up 2M repeaters at the Haitian/Dominica Border and crossed into Haiti to provide assistance during that calamitous earthquake. Galdino Besomi, CE3PG, and Dagoberto Arcos Rojas, CE5COX will share their experiences during the Chilean earthquake.

Vice-President Lamoureux, VE2KA, is also a Director of IARU Region 2 and his expenses are being paid by IARU. Mr. Bawden, VE4BAW is in El Salvador at no expense to the Radio Amateurs of Canada.

Geoff Bawden VE4BAW President and Chair, RAC

RAC Bulletin 2010-019E Ballooning & Ham Radio 2010-10-03

As part of the SHARP project (Shaftesbury High Altitude Robotics Project) students & teachers from Shaftesbury High School in Winnipeg will be launching a balloon running two APRS beacons with the call signs VE4SHS-14 and VE4SHS-9 for tracking purposes on October 22nd, 2010 from Erickson, Manitoba. It is anticipated that the balloon will land somewhere around Portage, MB or east of there. Participating in the project are between 15 and 25 students including recently certified Amateur Radio Operator, Bohyun Lee VE4BHL, who got her ticket last spring via the course at Garden City High School.

Frequencies: 144.390 APRS

Chase vehicles: VE4MRS repeater 145.310- tone 141.4

VE4PLP repeater 147.165+

Anticipated launch time: 10:00 CDT
Anticipated duration: 3 hours

Anticipated duration: 3 hours Estimated height: 100,000 feet

There is no back-up date in event of poor weather.

For more information on the project please contact Robert Striemer Teacher | Shaftesbury High School 2240 Grant Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba Canada R3P 0P7

tel: 204.888.5898 / fax: 204.896.5492 http://www.pembinatrails.ca/shaftesbury/ http://www.members.shaw.ca/rjstriemer

Thank you

73,

Derek Hay, VE4HAY Midwest Regional Director Radio Amateurs of Canada

# Parkinson Superwalk By David VE4DAR

Nine Winnipeg ARES members provided communications for the Parkinson Superwalk on Saturday, September 11. Organizer Kent VE4KEH maintained spirits of his outdoors crew on that cold and windy morning by patrolling the course on his bicycle. Net controllers Gerry VE4GKS and Rosi VE4YYL did periodic roll calls to ensure all was well. Others involved were Bob VE4STS, David VE4DAR, John VE4JAH, Juanito VE4BOY, Ed VE4EIH and Glen VE4GWN.



About 350 walkers and 50 volunteers raised in excess of \$92,000. Sounds like a successful event thanks to all participants and donors.

# MRS /WARC Storage Facility By Mark, VE4MAB

On Sunday, September 19, 2010, a work crew of Glen/VE4GWN, Rosi/VE4YYL, John/VE4JAH, Jim/VE4SIG, Dave/VE4DJS, Garth/VE4GWB, and Mark VE4MAB moved the MRS/WARC equipment to the storage container which is now providing easy access to equipment for both groups. MRS on the right, WARC on the left. The operation was overseen by non other than Glen & Rosi's Security Dog "Henry"!



### VHF Nets .....

# MRS Nets - 147.390 Mhz + Sundays & Thursdays at 9:00 pm

This net covers Winnipeg and the MRS linked repeater system, and includes various announcements on amateur radio activities, plus Dick's "Swap and Shop"

# Seniors Morning Net 147.390+ Mhz Weekdays at 9:00 am

This net covers Winnipeg and hams of all ages are welcome to join in this net which is always a lot of fun!

# IRLP (Internet Radio Linking Project) Net - 145.450 Mhz - Node # 1066 Wednesdays at 8:00 pm

This net connects you with the world using your VHF rig and using the internet as the backbone!

Six Meter Net - 50.238 Mhz Wednesdays at 9:00 pm

### HF Nets .....

MB Evening Phone Net - 3760 Khz Daily at 7:00 PM CT

Prairie Traffic Net (CW) 3660 Khz Daily at 01:30 UTC

Aurora # 2 Net 7055 Khz Daily at 02:30 UTC

MB Wx Net 3743 Khz Daily at 8:30 AMC

ARES Manitoba Monthly Readiness Net
4TH Sunday of each month
4:00 PM to 4:20 PM -7,075 Khz
4:00 PM to 4:15 PM -3,675 Khz LSB
Also.. VE4WRS IRLP, VE4ARC/TEU, Interlake, VE4FFR Flin Flon, IRLP Reflector
9003 to Flin Flon/Swan River/Pinawa,
VE4SIX/DARC repeater, VE4TPN/VHF
Thompson.

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