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# Yachting & Ham Radio By, Leor VE4DXR

Time: 7:30 PM (Annual General Meeting)

Date: Monday, November 18, 2013

(3rd Monday due to Remembrance Day)

Place: Dakota Collegiate - theatre See you there!

661 Dakota Street (At Beliveau Rd.)

Other Important Dates...

Newscaster: Deadline November 30, 2013

WARC: Monthly Meeting Dates...

December 9, 2013 Annual WARC

**Christmas Party** 

January 13, 2014 Amelia Earhart

By Bob VE4RCJ

WSC: 2nd Thursday of month

Breakfast - Garden City Inn

ARES: Tuesday, November 19, 2013

Sir Wm Stephenson Library

765 Keewatin Street
Call-Outs and Equipment

Other: April 13, 2014 - Spring Flea Market

### The President's CQ By Garth, VE4GWB

Hello all. Burr-vember is back. Getting chilly but no snow yet. That's good. So get those antennas up and outside projects completed before it's too late.

Congrats to the grads of BSC 5 and good luck to BSC 6. Thank you once again to David VE4DAR for getting this last one going.

I hope to see you at the November meeting. Reminder that it is on November 18th as everyone will be honouring those who served on November 11th Remembrance Day.

On a side note to everyone with laptops and desktops. Do you back up your hard drive? I did with my last laptop but let it slide in April of 2011 when I acquired the new machine. Did my backup continue. No. It won't happen to me. Wrong. It did. The drive crashed, died, or just stopped working. So goodbye to all the pictures and music I've collected since 11'. Luckily everything before was saved on another laptop and external drive. And important docs were saved by Google Drive. Thank you Google Drive. So lesson learned. Be careful and make sure your important pics and info are backed up.

73

Garth VE4GWB

#### WARC Executive for 2013-2014...

President Garth Blumm
Vice-Pres. David Latour
Treasurer Bob Jacobs
Secretary Doug Henry do
Membership Ross Gibson ros
Programs Allan Grant all
Past President Mark Blumm

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Our Vision

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

# 2 WARC Meeting Minutes, October 21, 2013 Taken by Doug, VE4TG

President Garth VE4GWB called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM. Introductions by members, several new grads in attendance, some still waiting for call signs to be issued by IC including Rick, Dan, Darin and Talia.

#### **Treasures Report**

Bob VE4RCJ advised we began the month of September with a balance of \$7, 410.33, an expenditure of 77.17 with an income of \$647.23 leaving a balance of \$7,980.39 at the end of September. Handed out budget forecast for year. IRLP expense no longer an item, but now have to pay fee for WARC meetings at Dakota theatre. Motion by Bob that budget report be accepted, seconded by Dick VE4HK, approved by show of hands.

#### Membership Report

Ross VE4RWG reported numbers looking good, membership numbers similar to last year, membership cards are ready for distribution, new hams get free WARC membership for balance of year.

#### Flea Market

Dick VE4HK indicated exact number of attendees not known, Rolf won main prize of 100\$, Adam was able to clean out half of the cards accumulated in the QSL bureau. All tables were sold. Dick would like to thank all volunteers whose hard work and dedication made it a success with special thanks to Ruth VE4XYL and Tom VE4SE who also contributed coffee and muffin making ingredients.

The next flea market is April 13th 2014. Financially the club made 812.10\$ profit. There was a question regarding the size and space of the present venue, consensus was that location not be changed as it is well adapted to use and purpose.

#### **Programs**

Allan VE4AJG indicated that topics under consideration for immediate future are: Oct-Grounding for Ham Radio Operations, Nov-Marine Radio Operations, Dec-Xmas Party, Jan-presentation on Amelia Earhart aviation comms, February- Mesh Radio by William Parrizin(tentative). Presentations for balance of year to be determined.

#### Winnipeg ARES Report by Jeff VE4MBQ

Nominations for 2013-14 Winnipeg ARES Inc. Executive (President, Treasurer & Secretary) opened at the conclusion of the Oct Winnipeg ARES General Meeting – nomination close TUE 12 NOV.

Thirty-two ARES members and affiliates provided volunteer Amateur Radio communications for the WFPS Half-Marathon SAT 19 OCT – further report in next month's newsletter and should soon be some photos on Winnipeg ARES web-site. We have been asked to provide communications support for the Santa Claus Parade SAT 16 NOV – have a number of ARES volunteers signed up but no clear sense of what the event organizers want us to do.

Very successful fundraising operation at WARC Flea Market. Thanks to all donors & ticket purchasers, special thanks to co-chairs Craig VE4CDM and John VE4JNF – comprehensive report will be in next month's ARES Report. Our Annual General Meeting is TUE 19 NOV 1900h Sir Wm Stephenson Library 765 Keewatin St.

#### RAC

Derek VE4HAY reported that new members get free membership in RAC. There will be a regional teleconference webinar on 23 Oct. The VE4RAC callsign for winter contest has been allocated. The allocation of 60m frequencies is still an ongoing process, but the file has moved to the Minister's desk. Doesn't look like there will be a unique Canadian channel. There is a new band at allocation at 470kHz, exact details not known at this time.

#### Education Report by David VE4DAR

On Saturday, Oct 19, 15 Basic Short Course 5 students wrote Industry Canada's examination for the Amateur Radio Operator, Basic Qualification. Of the 11 who passed, nine got the Basic Plus level, which gives them access to HF bands. Several other students who registered, but were unable to attend classes, have been transferred to the next course.

Basic Short Course 6 begins on Saturday, November 2 at the Winnipeg Senior Citizens Radio Club. Registrations are now being accepted on a first come, first served basis. Course information and registration forms are available on the WARC website (winnipegarc.org). To date 7 students have registered.

#### DX

Report by Adam VE4SN, big news is 10m openings; the band was booming in at the Seniors this morning and may be open for some time to come. Adam contacted Republic of Congo by cw and advises looking out for other dxpeditions out there. Adam also indicated that Industry Canada issues new licenses on a first come basis which may account for the delay some new hams are experiencing. Rolf VE4VZ indicated 12m is open as well. There will be a CQ contest this weekend. Peter VE4TTH indicated there is a dxpedition in Mosambique looking for Canadian stations. Adam is still looking for NK.

## New Business

Garth indicated that text books for Basic and Advanced levels are available.

#### Good & Welfare

#### David VE4DLA..

addressed the membership looking for volunteers to take on Ruth VE4XYL's job of providing snacks, coffee etc for WARC events. Ruth is willing to mentor new volunteer. Ruth will continue to sell flea market tables. A discussion then ensued regarding status of club income due to loss of funds from canteen sales at flea market if a replacement for Ruth cannot be found.

Subsequently there was a motion by David VE4DAR to raise entrance fee to flea market from 3\$ to 5\$, seconded by David VE4DLA, approved by show of hands.

#### Derek VE4HAY..

reported that the mesh radio system is now up and running at 65 Nassau, with 6 antennas operating at 2.367 MHz on 3. 5 Meg channels. Contact Derek for radios.

Motion to adjourn by Glen VE4GWN.

#### WARC Fall Flea Market October 20, 2013

The Fall 2013 WARC Flea Market took place on October 20, at our favourite location, Heritage Victoria Community Centre. Approximately 190-200 were in attendance. There was a small problem with some people receiving each half of the double roll of tickets. One ticket should be given to the customer, and the other deposited in the attendance can. We do not know how often this happened.

There was a problem setting up the PA system. There was no sound coming from the speakers. After a lot of fiddling around, we found a hidden circuit breaker for the PA system was turned off. Once it was turned on, we were able to adjust the sound. I will make a note of this for my Critical Path.

All tables and chairs were set up just after 9:30. Vendors were ready to go by 10:30. Buying began at 10:30.

Prize draws were delayed slightly, but were completed at noon.

I spoke to most of the vendors, just before 11:30. Most had a very successful day. I also noticed a lot of attendees walking around with armloads of interesting items. Adam VE4SN our QSL Manager was very successful. He advised me that he cleared out a huge pile of OSL cards from his dead letter file.

All 30 tables were sold, and some people were on a wait list.

I made another major change for this and future Flea Markets. I assigned Robert VE4RCJ, the WARC treasurer to count the Vendor Door admission money, and later, the Admission Door money. This saved me over an hour, counting money.

Thank you to all the volunteers at the Admission and Vendor Doors, those who set up and took down the tables and chairs, those who looked after Ruth's Kitchen, and to all those who made the Fall Flea Market a huge success!

Thank you to the following volunteers Admission Door...

VE4OK Gord Jewsbury, VA4AJG Allan Grant, VE4PTH Patrick Harapiak, VE4JUD Judy Harapiak, VE4RAI Robert Iwacha. VE4DJS Dave Stimpson. VE4SE Tom Mills

Vendor Door...

VE4MMG Mariska Maguire, VE4OAK Ed Oakes

The Spring 2014 WARC Flea Market is scheduled for April 13

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!!! IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

ADMISSION FEES FOR THE SPRING 2014 FLEA MARKET HAVE RISEN TO \$5.00 PER PERSON

Dick Maguire VE4HK Flea Market Coordinator

#### 2013 Fall Flea Market Prize Winners

Prize	Donated by	Winner	Call Sign	Ticket Number
Large SHARP T-shirt	Shaftsbury High School	Barry Mudray	VE4OH	861382
Large SHARP T-shirt	Shaftsbury High School	Barrett Filbert	VE4ABA	?
Large SHARP T-shirt	Shaftsbury High School	Jack Glenn	VE4JRG	861355
twenty five dollar gift certificate	Fleetwood Digital	Don Trueman	VE4AY	533091
twenty five dollar gift certificate	Fleetwood Digital	Tom Mills	VE4SE	861398
twenty five dollar gift certificate	Fleetwood Digital	Edward Hecht	VE4EDH	861352
twenty five dollar gift certificate	Fleetwood Digital	Patrick Harapiuk	VE4PTH	861458
fifty dollar cheque	WARC	Ed Richardson	VE4EAR	861352
one hundred dollar cheque	WARC	Rolf Bandalow	VE4VZ	533107

ARAC Bulletin 2013-033E
RAC Member Recognition Program (RAC MRP)
2013-10-21

In an effort to properly recognize our valued volunteers, a committee has been struck to manage the RAC MRP. We recognize that many of you have given tirelessly of your time on our behalf for many years, and it's time that we "put you on a pedestal" and say thank you.

#### Individual Award

Any full member of RAC is eligible to nominate a fellow member for a MRP award. All you need is to provide a short essay on why you think

that your candidate is deserving. Send it along to one of committee members listed below.

#### Extraordinary Award

You may know of an individual or group that has gone above and beyond the call of duty. These folks will be recognized in a special way.

#### **Committee members:**

Jeffrey Stewart VA3WXM <u>va3wxm@sympatico.ca</u> Doug Mercer VO1DM <u>vo1dtm@rac.ca</u> Normand Pitre VE2NHK <u>ve2nhk@rac.ca</u>

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Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC Chief Field Services Officer - Radio Amateurs of/du Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ Pointe-Claire, Québec RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

RAC Bulletin 2013-034E RAC Member Recognition Program Extraordinary Service Award 2013-10-31

For the very first time, a group has been nominated to receive the RAC MRP for Extraordinary Service. The VE4WWO CANWARN Net Controller Team has been serving the Prairie and Arctic Storm Prediction Center (PASPC) in Winnipeg

They number 13 strong, and spend long hours doing Net Control duties and storm spotting.

Congratulations folks!

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC Chief Field Services Officer - Radio Amateurs of/du Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ Pointe-Claire, Québec RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

RAC Bulletin 2013-35E First RAC Member Recognition Award (MRA) 2013-10-31

I am pleased to advise that Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ has been nominated to receive our first RAC Member Recognition Award. An Amateur since 1994, Jeff has been very active with Winnipeg ARES, and is the Emergency Coordinator for Winnipeg since 1994, where he resides with his wife Rhonda. Look for a full report in an upcoming TCA.

Congratulations Jeff.

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC Chief Field Services Officier - Radio Amateurs of/du Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ Pointe-Claire, Québec RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

### From your RAC Midwest Director Derek Hay, VE4HAY

#### RAC Grants Awarded...

3 grants were awarded by RAC this year, with two of them going to students enrolled in courses that are technical in nature where the knowledge in Amateur radio will assist them in their studies. And one was awarded as a community grant to Shaftesbury High School in Winnipeg, who received a \$500 community grant to assist them to become the only permanent Amateur Radio ARISS Telebridge Station in Canada under the guidance of Mr. Robert Striemer, VE4SHS.

Look for more information on each of these recipients in an upcoming issue of TCA.



# 5 Winnipeg ARES Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ ve4mbq@rac.ca

Radio Amateurs of Canada announced 28 OCT that the recipient of the First ever RAC Member Recognition Extraordinary Award is the VE4WWO CANWARN Net Controller Team. Thirteen CANWARN Net Controllers volunteered for at least one week-long shift between Victoria Day & Labour Day. There will be additional information on the Winnipeg ARES website at <a href="https://www.winnipegares.ca">www.winnipegares.ca</a> The thirteen dedicated CANWARN Net Controllers are:

VA4AJG Allan Grant, VE4AJO Ellis Seddon, VE4ALW Bill Simm, VE4CDM Craig Martin VE4DWG Don Gerrard, VE4GKS Gerry Sherman VE4GWN Glen Napady, VE4HAZ Harm Hazeu VE4HK Dick Maguire, VE4JAH John Howells VE4LDI Diane Perry, VE4STL Scott Lightfoot VE4MBQ Jeff Dovyak.

The focus of our OCT General Meeting was the Volunteer Briefing for ARES Volunteers for the 2013 Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service Half-Marathon. Thirty-two ARES members and affiliates braved a cool, damp SAT morning 19 OCT to provide Amateur Radio communications support for the event centered once again at Canadian Mennonite University in Charleswood and we had 3 volunteers in reserve at home. Thanks to Ian Boughton from Manitoba EMO for bringing out the EMO Emergency Coordination unit for us to use as ARES Net Control/Ski Patrol Dispatch. This was the first time that any ARES unit operated out of that vehicle.

Our volunteers were VA4s: AJG & RWT and VE4s: DWG, KEH, HAZ, JAH, DXR, GMT, HQ, DJS, CDM, SIG, JNF, CHT, DLA, GWN, YYL, KAZ, SBS, BOY, LIT, ANF, PH, PEH, SE, XYL, GKS, HK, MWH, APJ, AIN, PPG, JAL, MMG, MBQ and Jeffrey Kazuk.

Special Thanks to Tom VE4SE & Ruth VE4XYL for picking up the ARES Boler trailer and keeping at home in case the EMO vehicle was deployed last-minute on a provincial emergency and returning it to the EMSB on Monday after.

# Nostalgia Radio CJNU 93.7

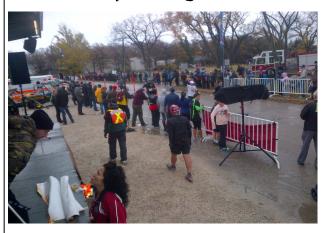
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CJNU 93.7 FM is where you'll hear the very best easy listening music that has been popular over the past eight decades!

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Kent Haase VE4KEH, Don Gerrard VE4DWG, Ian Boughton Manitoba EMO, Brett Speer Ski Patrol. Photo Credit J. Dovyak VE4MBQ



Harm VE4HAZ "Director Shadow" near Finish Line area. Emcee Ace Burpee and unidentified event volunteer foreground *Photo Credit J. Sutton VE4SIG* 



ARES Net Controller Kent VE4KEH in the ECU Vehicle. *Photo Credit Don Gerrard VE4DWG* 

The 19/20 OCT weekend was a busy one for Winnipeg ARES because no sooner did we have to stow our gear from the WFPS Half-Marathon before it was time to put the finishing touches on our fundraising operation

at the WARC Flea Market coordinated by Craig Martin VE4CDM and John Foster VE4JNF.

Thanks to Craig Martin VE4CDM and John Foster VE4JNF for Co-Chairing the Winnipeg ARES fundraising Committee for the 2013 Fall Flea Market. While John was running around picking things up from our generous donors Craig was putting various donated items together into prize lots. "Table Help" included Craig VE4CDM, John VE4JNF, Rosi VE4YYL, David VE4DLA, Susan VE4SYM, Mariska VE4MMG, Glen VE4GWN and our newest member Gary VA4RWT.

There were seven prize lots, winners were:

- 1. Dick Maguire VE4HK
- 2. Mike Kadyniuk VE4KEM
- 3. Dick Maguire VE4HK
- 4. Judy Harapiak VE4JUD
- 5. Pete Haertel VE4PH
- 6. Walter LipinskyVE4AKZ
- 7. Sharon Mooers-Henry VE4TN.

Thanks to our Silent Auction donors who included:

Randy Hull
Irv Cosgrove VE4UG
Ruth Mills VE4XYL
Susan Collings VE4SYM
Fred Collings VE4TRO
Tom Blatch VE4HQ
Sunday Satiada VE4SBS
Lynn Satiada VE4LYN
Dick Maguire VE4HK
Mariska Maguire VE4MMG
Rosi Napady VE4YYL
Greg Bilinsky VE4GMB
Kent Haase VE4KEH.

Winnipeg ARES will be supporting the Santa Claus Parade SAT 16 NOV under the supervision of Glen Napady VE4GWN. We are going to need at least 35 Amateur radio operators for this event. At press time details on date & location of the ARES briefing are still to be announced.

At the conclusion of our OCT General Meeting it was announced that nominations for the 2013-14 Winnipeg ARES Inc. Executive would close TUE 12 NOV. Our Annual General Meeting is TUE 19 NOV 1900h Sir Wm Stephenson Library 765 Keewatin Street. If the AGM Business Meeting concludes in good time expect to see a presentation on Call-Outs and Equipment".

Visit the Winnipeg ARES Web Site http://www.winnipegares.ca

Follow Winnipeg ARES on Twitter @wpgares



The Manitoba Repeater Society operates and maintains a linked repeater system across southern Manitoba, including Winnipeg.

If you are a user of any of these repeaters, we urge you to support the group by becoming a member.

#### Remember to Renew for 2014

VE4MAN - Starbuck, VE4CDN - Morris,

VE4PLP - Portage, VE4MRS - Bruxelles,

VE4GIM - Gimli, VE4MIL - Milner Ridge

VE4EMB - Hadashville, VE4FAL - Falcon Lake,

VE4WPG - Winnipeg, VE4VJ - Winnipeg, VE4WRS

- Autopatch & IRLP link Winnipeg

Links to repeaters in Ontario, Brandon, Selkirk and soon to be the Dauphin & area.

info@mb-repeater-society.ca http://www.mb-repeater-society.ca/ http://www.facebook.com/ManitobaRepeaterSociety

### **D-Star's "D-Tip" Of The Month** By, Garth VE4GWB

For ID31/51 users, miss a call on the D-STAR repeater. Press and hold the CD button and use the dial to scroll between the last stations the radio received.

Pressing the center button you will see the repeater they used and who they called if not CQ.

### 73 Magazine is on the web Submitted by Richard, VE4AIV

Did you know that all 518 issues of 73 Magazine from the first issue of October 1960 until the last on October 2003 are available for free download from the Internet Archive website?

Just enter the search string "73 Magazine" at http://archive.org. Each issue is available in multiple formats, including PDF and EPUB, and can also be read online. Enjoy!

# 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

# Contest Calendar

Extracted From

http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/

#### For November...

NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Nov 15 YO International PSK31 Contest 1600Z-2200Z, Nov 15 ARRL EME Contest 0000Z, Nov 16 to 2359Z, Nov 17 1000Z, Nov 16 **SARL Field Day Contest** to 1000Z, Nov 17 LZ DX Contest 1200Z, Nov 16 to 1200Z, Nov 17 All Austrian 160-Meter Contest 1600Z, Nov 16 to 0700Z, Nov 17 1600Z-1800Z, Nov 16 Feld Hell Sprint ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB 2100Z, Nov 16 to 0300Z, Nov 18 0000Z-2400Z, Nov 17 **EPC PSK63 QSO Party** Run for the Bacon ORP Contest 0 200Z-0400Z, Nov 18 NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint 0130Z-0330Z, Nov 21 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Nov 22 CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Nov 23 to 2400Z, Nov 24 SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, Nov 27 RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW 2000Z-2100Z, Nov 28 0230Z-0300Z, Nov 29 NCCC Sprint Feld Hell Sprint 0000Z-2359Z, Nov 30

#### Into December...

SARL Digital Contest

ARS Spartan Sprint

0200Z-0400Z, Dec 3

NRAU 10m Activity Contest

800Z-1900Z, Dec 5 (CW)

and 1900Z-2000Z, Dec 5 (SSB)

and 2000Z-2100Z, Dec 5 (FM)

and 2100Z-2200Z, Dec 5 (Dig)

NCCC Sprint

0230Z-0300Z, Dec 6

ARRL 160-Meter Contest

2200Z, Dec 6

to 1600Z, Dec 8

TARA RTTY Melee 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 7 Wake-Up! QRP Sprint 0600Z-0629Z, Dec 7 and 0630Z-0659Z, Dec 7

and 0700Z-0729Z, Dec 7

and 0730Z-0800Z, Dec 7

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 1200Z, Dec 7 to 2400Z, Dec 8

TOPS Activity Contest 1600Z, Dec 7 to 1559Z, Dec 8

**AWA Bruce Kelley Memorial CW Contest** 

2300Z, Dec 7 to 2300Z, Dec 8 and 2300Z, Dec 14 to 2300Z, Dec 15

Ten-Meter RTTY Contest 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 8

#### Good Luck In The Contest

# Remembrance Day Thank You By David VE4DAR

We give thanks to those who died and to our Veterans for their service in the World Wars, Korea and in more recent engagements.

We give thanks also to those who served here in Canada: farmers and others who fed, clothed and equipped our overseas troops; and families who kept things going here and supported our loved ones.

And let's not forget the wounded, whose hurt persists in body, mind or spirit.

"Thank you" from all of us.



# **"Help!"** By David VE4DAR

"Help!" That's the desperate call from potential students waiting for the next WARC Basic Short Course. All that's missing is one or two Chief Instructors to take charge of an already designed course.

You don't have to be an instructor yourself, or even expert in our hobby. Just make sure things run smoothly, like...

Like, set the course dates; reserve the classroom; assign the instructors from a ready list; ask WARC to order the textbooks; advertise the course; register students; arrange for WARC's digital projector; and attend the first class.

Roger and I are retiring as Chief Instructors at the end of the current course. However, we are willing to share our knowledge and experience. Find a buddy and take up the challenge!

# News from the Winnipeg Senior Citizens Radio Club VE4WSC Inc. Submitted by Gil VE4AG Vice President/Secretary

Our most recent successful event at the Club was the great potluck luncheon we had, with 20 members, spouses and friends attending. The variance of foods available as a buffet were excellent, and everyone enjoyed a great feed. We hope to have another event like this early in the new year.

This is notice of our upcoming Annual General Meeting, to be held at the CanadInn-Garden City restaurant, beginning about 10 a.m. after the breakfast (all are invited to attend this before the AGM). Date is Thursday, November 14th.

Nominating committee head for the upcoming election of a new Board for 2014 is Ed Oakes, VE4OAK - please get in touch with Ed if you wish to stand for a Board appointment for a strong say in your club's activities. We are looking for a member to be Secretary, also one for Treasurer.

Tickets are still available for our annual Christmas Party at CanadInn Polo Park. For WSCRC members, spouses and significant other, subsidized price is \$15.00 per person; friends and visitors are \$18.00 each. We are limited to 50 for the private room, but others can be accommodated in the general restaurant area just outside the door to this room. The meal is a buffet featuring turkey.

Contact Gil, VE4AG (ve4ag@rac.ca or phone 204-888-2473) or purchase yours at the club. Cheques should be made payable to Gil Frederick, who is ticket sales accountant.

We thank the Newscaster for use of this space in the newsletter.

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#### 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!

Friendly Manitoba IRLP Net Net - 145.450 Mhz - (Node # 1066) On - The Great Lakes Reflector #9611 Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

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

D-Star Nets on the VE4WDR System UHF 444.575+ DV Port B and/or VHF 145.490- DV Port C

> TransCanada D-Star Net - Fridays at 8:00 pm On "Free Star" Reflector 21 ( XRF021BO ) HamNation D-Star Net Wednesday at 9:15pm On "DPlus" Reflector 14 ( REF014CL ) Ozark Mtn. D-Star Net - Sundays at 8:00 pm On "DPlus" Reflector 1 ( REF001CL )

HF Nets .....

MB Evening Phone Net - 3747 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.