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Wireless Telephone

The beginning of radio broadcasting in Manitoba

by Garry Moir

Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Time: 7:30 PM

Place: Windsor Park United Church
 1062 Autumnwood Dr (at Cottonwood Rd.)
 Find it on Google Maps - [Click Here](#)

Other Important Dates:

News caster: Deadline February 27 2020

WARC: Monthly Meeting Dates **2nd Tuesdays**
 March 10, 2020 - Safety in the Ham Shack
 April 14, 2020 - Home Brew Night
 May 12, 2020 - DMR Presentation
 June 9, 2020 - TBA & Election Night

ARES: Tuesday, February 18, 2020
 Sir Wm Stephenson Library
 765 Keewatin Street -
 Richard VE4KAZ - Klondike Derby
 Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ will be speaking
 on Call-Outs and Equipment.

Other: June 7, 2020 - WARC Hamfest 2020
 June 16, 2020 - Marathon Briefing
 June 21, 2020 - Manitoba Marathon
 June 27 - 28, 2020 - Field Day

WARC Executive for 2019-2020...

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From The President -

Here we are well on our way to the start of a new year and hopefully a beginning of the rise of the new sunspot cycle! No where to go but up! Would like to give many thanks to Melissa and Bill Fleury (VE4BEF) for opening up their home to the 30+ people that dropped by on the Winter Field Day that they hosted with gracious hospitality. Thank goodness for single digits below zero, not the -25 we endured last year! We even had 5 or 6 people drop by who were not licensed but were interested in Amateur Radio, as well a number of newbies.

During the peak of activity on Saturday I looked around the shop and saw the radio not being used but everyone was engaged in conversation. At first I thought, well let's get the radio going folks, but realized everyone was enjoying themselves. Some were in discussions of a technical nature, others reminiscing about the "old days" and how they used to operate, others talking to the newbies about their new found hobby and others talking with someone with a sympathetic ear about life and its joys and struggles.. So who was I to interrupt! I think it's great that we all got together, chitchatted and enjoyed each other's company. This can only lead to better relationships, good will and a stronger club. That is one of the reasons for having a club - is it not? Not only do we share a common interest but we also are there because we want to meet and fellowship with other members who have the same interest as ours leading us to get to know each other!

It is much easier to move forward as a club, developing our vision for the future generations and members if we all appreciate and encourage what each of us has to offer. Incarnations of WARC has been around for over 100 years, let's make sure we continue to be around and be relevant to the new hams coming up. Of course we need to make sure that current members are enjoying the hobby and club, but it is up to us to ensure new Hams coming up see our relevance, and we must make the effort encourage and train them in whatever aspect of the hobby they wish to pursue.

Continued...

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

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Cary Rubinfeld VE4EA is one such Ham who regularly steps forward offering his help to newly licensed hams. His guidance has led to new Hams having greater knowledge and confidence in the hobby and new friendships. For his willingness to give of himself to help new Hams, grow amateur radio in Winnipeg and for all his energy to keep ham radio in Winnipeg on the minds of everyone he meets, whether here, or wherever in the world he finds himself - Cary Rubinfeld VE4EA has been named RAC's 2019 Amateur of the Year!

On behalf of all of WARC - congratulations Cary on this well deserved recognition!

73, John VE4VJR

WARC Meeting Minutes January 2020

Call to Order
7:40 PM, Windsor Park United Church

Introductions
27 in attendance

Business
- Christmas supper was well received.
- MB150 Hamfest planning is proceeding to schedule.
- Winter Field Day on track for January 25\26\2020 at Bill VE4BEF and Melissa Fleury's home.

Treasurer's Report
- Informed membership that the "self-insurance" fund has been renamed and changed to "rainy day" fund and will have \$500 or 10% of hamfest revenues (whichever is greater) added to it annually. Treasurer is also going to invest it in a GIC rather than let it set in savings.
- Accounting will be moved from Excel 2007 to Quick Books shortly.
- Executive will be presenting a couple of amendments to the Bylaws for the membership to vote on at the February general meeting. A notice describing the amendments will be sent out well in advance of the February general meeting.

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Membership report
- As of January 14, 2020 we have 78 members.

Education Report
- Roberto VA4RUL has all instructors lined up for the next Basic Short Course to run each Saturday from February 22 - March 21, 2020.

ARES Report
- Jeff looking for volunteers for the Klondike Derby at Camp Amisk on March 7\8, 2020 and the Manitoba Marathon on June 21, 2020.

RAC Report
- RAC representative not in attendance.
- PEI is now in its own ARRL section for contests.

DX Report
- We are at the bottom of the solar cycle. No where to go but up!

50\50 Draw
- Garth Blumm is the winner of a whopping \$11.50 (\$23.00 total ticket sales).

Program
- Rick Lord VE4OV gave a very interesting presentation on Near Vertical Incident Skywave (NVIS), especially how it pertains to 40\80\160 M operations.

Adjourn
9:25 PM.

*Winnipeg ARES
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ve4mbq@rac.ca*

Welcome to our newest member Pietra Shirley VE4PXL.

Thanks to Yori VE4ACX for putting the new connector on the 2m Copper J-Pole antenna donated by Richard VE4ESX - that will be the back-up antenna a VE4EOC. Thanks to Gerry VE4GKS for donating his Nifty Ham Radio Chest Harness - that will be a draw item at our FEB General Meeting. Last but not least, Thanks to Rolf Bandlow VE4VZ for servicing one of our HTs.

We are recruiting volunteer operators for the Scouts Canada Klondike Derby 07, 08 MAR at Camp Amisk. Richard VE4KAZ is once again coordinating this event for Winnipeg ARES.

Our next General Meeting is 1900h TUE 18 FEB Sir Wm Stephenson Library 765 Keewatin Street. Richard Kazuk VE4KAZ is scheduled to present on Klondike Derby and I am planning to present on Call-Outs and Equipment due to the unavailability of the ARES-owned projector last month.

WARC Membership Update

By Jessy VE4JJB WARC Membership Chair

For the 2019 to 2020 year the following is a current list of WARC members

Callsign	First Name	Last Name
KS7Q	Parrish	Andrews
VA4DJS	David	Stewart
VA4EEF	Dan	Flather
VA4HAM	Milan	Lukes
VA4RUL	Roberto	Urrea
VA4RWT	Gary	Goodman
VA4XRY	Andrew	McKay
VE1ZG	Doug	Henry
VE4AAZ	William	East
VE4ACX	Yorimasa	Tsuji
VE4AHN	Kevin	Podaima
VE4AHW	Frank	Machovec
VE4AIV	Richard	Lukes
VE4AJ	Calvin	Winter
VE4AND	Bert	Andrews
VE4AQU	Richard	Banack
VE4AUT	Henry	Hessner
VE4BAW	Geoffrey	Bawden
VE4BEF	Bill	Fleury
VE4BRT	Tim	Burt
VE4CKP	Jim	Coussau
VE4CKR	Kyle	Croswell
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VE4DJS	Dave	Stimpson
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VE4DRW	Drew	Kwartel
VE4DVT	Dave	Terrick
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VE4EDE	Edward	Evanko
VE4EDH	Eric	Hope
VE4GAS	Grant	Sesak
VE4GBA	George	Anderson
VE4GCV	Gerald	Volkers
VE4GMB	Greg	Bilinsky
VE4GMT	Jim	McKinley
VE4GWB	Garth	Blumm
VE4GZ	Jim	Griffiths
VE4HAY	Derek	Hay
VE4HK	Dick	Maguire
VE4HQ	Tom	Blatch
VE4JBB	Jessy	Blanchette
VE4JDH	Hamish	Donaldson
VE4JRG	Jack	Glenn
VE4JS	Jan	Schippers
VE4K GK	Ken	Kennedy
VE4KON	Brian	Konopski
VE4KS	Kelly	Stafeckis
VE4LMK	Lee	Kozak
VE4LRM	Luis	Rosales
VE4LX	Tom	Milan
VE4MAB	Mark	Blumm
VE4MBQ	Jeff	Dovyak

Callsign	First Name	Last Name
VE4MMB	Janice	Behrens
VE4NSA	Stefan	Wagener
VE4OV	Rick	Lord
VE4PDX	Paul	Driver
VE4PEH	Patricia	Haertel
VE4PH	Peter	Haertel
VE4PL	Ron	Place
VE4PXL	Shirley	Pietra
VE4QP	Ron	Peasy
VE4RA	Rick	Allan
VE4RAI	Robert	Iwacha
VE4RCJ	Robert	Jacobs
VE4RIC	Rick	Shumila
VE4RLF	Roger	Froebe
VE4RLK	Robert	Kaiser
VE4SS	Lawrence	Kyle
VE4SYM	Susan	Collings
VE4TB	Tom	Adlard
VE4TLA	Chris	Chatelain
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VE4UA	Werner	Schwager
VE4VJR	John	Romanec
VE4WDZ	Wyatt	Zacharias
VE4YD	John	Delaive
VE4YR	Frank	Alberni
VE4ZIM	Kevin	Zimmerman

WARC Hamfest 2020 - June 7, 2020

Save \$5 and Pre-Register on the WARC web site ...

<http://winnipegarc.org/Hamfest/index.html>

More info will be posted soon

Admission - \$10 until May 31, \$15 after May 31
Vendor table - \$20 (includes 1 admission)

Very good news to share !!!

Cary Rubinfeld, VE4EA
Has been named the
"RAC 2019 Amateur of the Year"

For his outstanding contributions to promoting and fostering interest in Amateur Radio.

Congratulations to Cary for this well deserved award!

Please check the RAC website in the near future for more information about this.

Spotlight On:
Barry Malowanchuk VE4MA
 By David VE4DAR

David's note: Last June, I interviewed several hams licensed at least 20 years at WARC's Field Day in St. Vital Park. Barry was showing his newly licensed son, Darryl VE4MTN, "the ropes" of Field Day.



What got you interested in amateur radio? "I grew up with it being around my father, Andy VE4MA, who was a broadcast engineer."

Did you take a class? "No class, I learned from my father in his ham shack. I got my ticket in 1974."

Build or buy equipment? "I built some and modified surplus equipment."

Contacts or moments that stick out in memory: "Hearing the moon bounce signal tape in 1965 from the Arecibo Observatory Dish (1000' diameter dish in Puerto Rico). Also doing the first moon bounce here."

What have you got out of ham radio? "Lots of technical knowledge and skills. Lots of good friends world wide."

Particular interest in amateur radio: "Bouncing signals off the moon from the beginning and moving higher in frequency as technology improved. Blazing a trail."

Public Service: "Giving papers about ham radio and doing presentations at ham conferences. Doing technical research."

Advice for new hams: "Try digital modes; you can get on the air with low power and work the world."

Future of amateur radio: "It will become less a hands-on hobby. As the baby boomers fade away, the number of experimenters and technical people will reduce. However, there will be lots of operators on the air."

Thanks for this, Barry. And best wishes for good DX to Daryl.

Manitoba Marathon
Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ
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The 2020 Manitoba Marathon will be SUN 21 JUNE. We currently need at least eighty (80) volunteers.

We need a completed new registration form from each Amateur Radio volunteer every year regardless of what Amateur organization they belong to. Thanks to Mark VE4MAB for having the registration portal on the WARC web-site,

http://www.winnipegarc.org/marathon_volunteer_form.html

New Amateur operators will be paired up with Amateurs experienced with the event. Amateur Radio volunteers must agree to abide by the Manitoba Marathon Code of Conduct for volunteers. Thanks to Dave VE4DJS for keeping track of the volunteer registrations.

The 2020 Amateur Radio Group Volunteer Briefing is TUE 16 JUNE 1900h Crescentwood CC 1170 Corydon Avenue (Map 24 D2 in the Sherlock Map Book). Although the briefing starts at 1900h we will begin distribution of race information, documentation, volunteer t-shirts and pre-arranged equipment loans at 1815h. If you register as an Amateur Radio volunteer and cannot attend the 16 JUNE briefing please let us know in advance who will be attending to pick up your briefing materials and volunteer t-shirt. There will be an additional Medical Team briefing on another date for those assigning to the medical side.

We need all borrowed equipment returned as soon as possible. On Race Day loaner traffic vests & HTs should be turned over to the Course Closing Vehicle as it passes by (it is manned by Amateurs).

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Winnipeg ARES at the Manitoba Disaster Management Conference 2020

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The Manitoba Disaster Management Conference is held about every 18 months. The conference gives both Manitoba ARES & Winnipeg ARES complimentary registration. This year Wayne Warren, VE4WR (DEC Northern Region & Special Projects) represented Manitoba ARES, and myself for Winnipeg. Jeff Dovyak, VE4MBQ (DEC Capital Region, and other hats), was there for his employer, but helped with some ARES questions.

I'm not going to go into details of presentations, but will mention what I attended during the 3 days of the conference.

The first Key Note speaker was Frank DeAngelis. Mr. De, as his students knew him, was the principal of Columbine High School 20 April 1999. Hearing how to events unfolded from his view & not the media was very eye opening for me. He also went into some more recent related events, not covered by the media. He also pointed out that this wasn't the first school shooting, but the first with social media therefore it gained so much world attention.

During the lunch break, attended a short presentation by BlackBerry. They covered secure communications in emergencies. Interesting, but not aimed for ARES.

Next came Manitoba Emergency Alerting Program. We all should know that Alert Ready is somewhat new in Canada. This covered a little of the history of the program, what it is, what it isn't & who can send out an Alert in Manitoba. The Q&A portion reinforced the problems in some of the isolated communities.

The day ended with When Your Community is Overwhelmed: the Gillam Experience. Dwayne Forman, Mayor of Gillam & Asst Commissioner Jane MacLachy CO of RCMP D Division, covered the effect on the town when the RCMP arrived this past summer looking for 2 suspected murders. The RCMP acknowledged the assistance from local hunters & fishermen. Some of the short term effects on the town. Next the question is what will the long term effect be?

Day 2 began with The Evolving Role of the ECCC Meteorologist. As a member of CanWarn I've known that ECCC has a large role to play, I never knew just how LARGE that role is. Natalie Hasell (VE4NAT) & Eric Dykes made the 3 1/2 hour presentation fly. I'm going to mention that in March Natalie will once again be the Meteorologist during our CanWarn training.

Post lunch started with Cultural Awareness in Emergencies. A number of years ago I attended the Winnipeg Emergency Management Course & I've heard some of this before. What I found most interesting in this presentation came again in the Q&A section. There were a few First Nation communities represented & they mentioned some unique problems they have (with disaster management) due to their culture and traditions.

I ended the day attending Severe Weather: Working Together Enhancing Resilience. The presenter was very knowledgeable, but the session wasn't what I was expecting and not for me.

Miracle on the Hudson: A Passenger's Perspective, Vallie Collins, survivor. This was how the 3rd day began. I've always preferred the "I was there" as to "I heard". This young lady told the story as she saw it unfold. The only question she was asked, at the end, was about the movie "Sully". Her reply was that there was more water in the aircraft than the movie showed, and more chaos exiting the plane than depicted. I haven't watched that movie, but want to now!

Risk Perceptions and Effective Emergency Management Programs. I can't think of how to explain this topic. I'll use my own words..How to get the bean counters to invest in Emergency Management & overcome the "it won't happen here" attitude.

Last came Leader Bucket – Crisis Leadership in Emergency Management Refill Your Leadership Bucket. During 19 years military service I soon realized leadership is a skill. Like all skills anyone can learn it, few master leadership. The difference between management & leadership was well explained. Hopefully I never find myself in a stressful situation where I have to take the lead, but I know what was covered here will help me.

WARC Hamfest 2020 Sunday June 7, 2020

Updates will be posted on the WARC web site

<http://winnipegarc.org/Hamfest/index.html>

Admission - \$10 until May 31, \$15 after May 31
Vendor tables - \$20 (includes 1 admission)

SAVE \$ 5.00

"Pre-Register" on-line

Contest Calendar

Extracted From

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

February 2020

NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Feb 7
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 7
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 7
 CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest 0000Z, Feb 8
 to 2359Z, Feb 9
 SARL Field Day Contest 1000Z, Feb 8 to 1000Z, Feb 9
 Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW 1100Z-1300Z, Feb 8
 Dutch PACC Contest 1200Z, Feb 8 to 1200Z, Feb 9
 KCJ Topband Contest 1200Z, Feb 8 to 1200Z, Feb 9
 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 1200Z, Feb 8
 to 2400Z, Feb 9
 YLRL YL-OM Contest 1400Z, Feb 8
 to 0200Z, Feb 10
 OMISS QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 8
 to 1500Z, Feb 9
 FISTS Winter Unlimited Sprint 1700Z-2100Z, Feb 8
 RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest 1900Z-2300Z, Feb 8
 Balkan HF Contest 1300Z-1700Z, Feb 9
 Classic Exchange, Phone 1400Z, Feb 9
 to 0800Z, Feb 10
 and 1400Z, Feb 11
 to 0800Z, Feb 12
 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint
 0100Z-0300Z, Feb 10
 CQC Winter QSO Party 0100Z-0259Z, Feb 10
 ARRL School Club Roundup 1300Z, Feb 10
 to 2359Z, Feb 14
 NAQCC CW Sprint 0130Z-0330Z, Feb 12
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 12
 Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 12
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, Feb 12
 and 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 12
 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 13
 RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data 2000Z-2130Z, Feb 12
 PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint
 0000Z-2359Z, Feb 14
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Feb 14
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 14
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 14
 ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Feb 15
 to 2400Z, Feb 16
 Russian PSK WW Contest 1200Z, Feb 15
 to 1159Z, Feb 16
 Feld Hell Sprint 1900Z-2059Z, Feb 15
 AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party
 2300Z, Feb 15 to 2300Z, Feb 16
 Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 0200Z-0400Z, Feb 17
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 19
 Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 19
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, Feb 19
 and 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 19
 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 20
 AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening
 1900Z-2030Z, Feb 19
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Feb 21
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 21
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 21

CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB 2200Z, Feb 21
 to 2200Z, Feb 23
 REF Contest, SSB 0600Z, Feb 22 to 1800Z, Feb 23
 UK/EI DX Contest, CW 1200Z, Feb 22
 to 1200Z, Feb 23
 SARL Digital Contest 1400Z-1700Z, Feb 23
 High Speed Club CW Contest 1500Z-1700Z, Feb 23
 QCX Challenge 1300Z-1400Z, Feb 24
 and 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 24
 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 25
 SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, Feb 26
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 26
 Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 26
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, Feb 26
 and 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 26
 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 27
 UKEICC 80m Contest 2000Z-2100Z, Feb 26
 RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW
 2000Z-2130Z, Feb 27
 NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Feb 28
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 28
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 28
 Feld Hell Sprint 0000Z-2359Z, Feb 29
 FTn DX Contest 1200Z, Feb 29 to 1200Z, Mar 1
 UBA DX Contest, CW 1300Z, Feb 29 to 1300Z, Mar 1
 South Carolina QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 29
 to 0159Z, Mar 1
 NA Collegiate Championship, RTTY
 1800Z, Feb 29 to 0559Z, Mar 1
 North American QSO Party, RTTY
 1800Z, Feb 29 to 0559Z, Mar 1

Into March 2020...

NSARA Contest 1200Z-1600Z, Mar 1
 and 1800Z-2200Z, Mar 1
 SARL Hamnet 40m Simulated Emerg Contest
 1200Z-1400Z, Mar 1
 North Carolina QSO Party
 1500Z, Mar 1 to 0059Z, Mar 2
 RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data
 2000Z-2130Z, Mar 2
 ARS Spartan Sprint 0200Z-0400Z, Mar 3
 AGCW YL-CW Party 1900Z-2100Z, Mar 3
 QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Mar 4
 Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, Mar 4
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, Mar 4
 and 1900Z-2000Z, Mar 4
 and 0300Z-0400Z, Mar 5
 UKEICC 80m Contest 2000Z-2100Z, Mar 4

*** Good Luck In The Contest ***

WARC Hamfest 2020 - June 7, 2020

Check the WARC web site <http://WinnipegARC.org>
 for info on preregistration info that will be posted soon.

Admission - \$10 until May 31, \$15 after May 31
 Vendor table - \$20 (includes 1 admission)

Manitoba Repeater Society

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.

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
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<http://www.facebook.com/ManitobaRepeaterSociety>
MRS Memberships Expired on December 31
You Can Renew Today On-Line

The Manitoba Repeater Society Annual General Meeting

April 6th, 2020
7:00 o'clock PM

Norberry-Glenlee Community Centre
26 Molgat Avenue, Winnipeg
<https://goo.gl/maps/2gEwbbkNs5BwXhDg6>
All members are encouraged to attend.

- Election of Officers
- State of the Repeater System
- Current plans for replacement of equipment
- Expansion plans

Nominations are now open for Board members of the Manitoba Repeater Society

- Qualified members of MRS may be nominated for the Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting.

- Members nominating such a candidate must ensure that the member is willing to stand for office before nominating him/her.

- To be eligible to stand for office, a person must be a member in good standing for at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

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 and "Dick's Swap & Shop"

**The 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!

D-Star Nets on the VE4WDR System using

**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)
More nets <http://www.dstarinfo.com/nets.aspx>

HF Nets

MB Evening Phone Net - 3747 Khz
Daily at 7:00 PM Local Time (CT)

Prairie Traffic Net (CW) 3660 Khz
Daily at 0130 UTC

Aurora Net (Afternoon) 7055 Khz
Daily at 2330 UTC

Aurora # 2 Net (Evening) 7055 Khz
Daily at 0230 UTC

MB Wx Net 3743 Khz
Daily at 8:30 Local Time (CT)

- Nominations for election to the board of directors shall only be accepted in writing up to the time nominations are closed at the annual general meeting and with the signature of the nominee.

Please send all nomination to Club Secretary Derek ve4hay@shaw.ca

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