



GUYWIRE

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GENERAL MEETING

Sept. 14th @ 7:00 p.m.

Regent Place Library - Regina Market Mall - 331 Albert St.

TBA

GUYWIRE

The Guywire depends on submissions of articles and pictures sent in by members for most of its content. If you have a story, pictures or a favorite website, send it in to ve5rara@gmail.com.

We would particularly like to have pictures from past club events.

2016 PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS

EVENT DATE ORGANIZER

UPCOMING

The **Queen City Marathon** would like to thank you and ARES for the many years you have assisted us with our event. For 2016 we have made the decision that we will not be needing the services of ARES on course for Sunday.

Shawn Weimer - Race Director

COMPLETED

Klondike Hike - Feb. 20th - Justin VA5RED
RPS Half Marathon - May 1st - Terry VE5TLW
MS Walk - May 1 - Rick VE5RJR
Cosmo Learning Centre - May 13 - Harv VE5AD
Mayors Walk /Run - May 31 - Terry VE5TLW
Spoke n'Hot 100km Ride - Aug.7- TBA
MS Bike Tour - Aug. 20-21- Rick VE5RJR

Silent Key VE5RC



Sadly we mark the passing of another prominent amateur in our community. Bruce Rattray VE5RC, passed away June 17th at the age of 79.

Bruce was an active member of RARA and a willing worker when there were jobs to be done. He had varied interests such as QRP, SSTV, SDR, PSK and antenna design and was always looking for a new challenge. His unique sense of humor and his sunny disposition will be missed by all.

Interesting websites

(Please note that you may have to enter the web address to get access)

How trappers in the north communicate. Not ham radio but interesting nevertheless
<http://www.yukon-news.com/life/don-taylor-and-his-trappers-sched>
(va5sca)

If you are nostalgic over the days at the Burnside school site, you will enjoy this historic look back: http://www.forgottenlives.ca/gallery2/main.php?g2_itemId=123
(ve5tlw)

Phonetics and phonetic codes – saying numbers out loud - <http://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/the-strangely-perplexing-problem-of-com>
(ve5eis)

The Radio Society of Great Britain has produced an excellent youth oriented video called “Why Become a Radio Amateur”. It can be found at:
http://hackaday.com/2015/10/23/why-should-you-get-a-ham-radio-license/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_

Last Months Puzzler

How often can someone be tested for an Amateur Radio license?

Answer: As often as a person can make arrangements for the test.

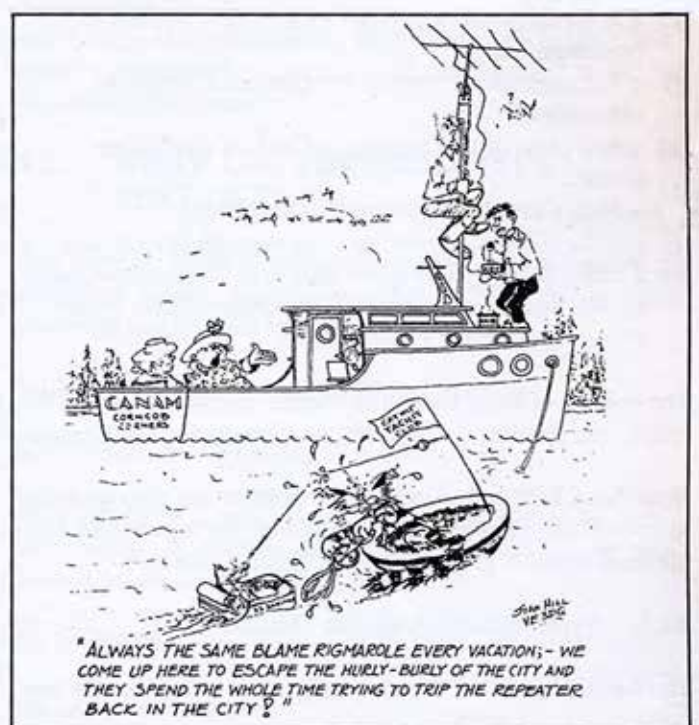
This Months' Puzzler

In electronic circuits, what is a varistor used for?

Answer next month

Dayton Hamvention Moves

The Dayton Hamvention is moving from the location it used for many years to the Fairgrounds and Expo Center in Xenia Ohio beginning next year.



"From the collection of the well known, late cartoonist Stan Hill, VE3DQ"

VE5DWR Appointed RAC Treasurer

The RAC Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Devon Racicot, VE5DWR, has been appointed to the position of Treasurer. Devon was born and raised in North Battleford, Saskatchewan. In 1993, he developed an interest in radio communications after borrowing a scanner and reading information on a local dial-up bulletin board system (BBS) that happened to be owned by an Amateur Radio operator. He obtained study materials and in February 1995 he attended the Industry Canada office in Saskatoon and walked out with a licence and the call sign VE5DWR. Over the next decade he obtained his 12 WPM CW endorsement and Advanced qualifications.

Devon strives to be as well rounded as possible in the Amateur Radio Service and can be found locally on VHF/UHF repeaters including all digital modes as well as PSK31 on HF and Pactor/Winlink. He has recently become interested in satellites, and portable HF/satellite operation while camping is the most enjoyable. He is a member of several area clubs and has served as President of the Saskatchewan Amateur Radio League, Saskatchewan's provincial organization. He has been a Radio Amateurs of Canada member almost continuously since obtaining his licence and he served as the RAC Midwest Director in 2009. He was part of the organizing committee for the Saskatchewan Hamfest in 2015 at which Radio Amateurs of Canada held their Annual General Meeting.

Devon has several years of experience as Treasurer with two Amateur Radio organizations and a large non-Amateur membership-based Association and he is familiar with accounting software, budgeting and reporting requirements for non-profit organizations.

Glenn MacDonell, VE3XRA
RAC President and Chair

2016 Field Day Results

Submitted by:
Daniel Dion, VE5DLD

Call Used: VE5NN GOTA Station Call: (none)
ARRL/RAC Section: SK Class: 3A

Participants: 28 Club/Group
Name: Regina Amateur Radio Association

Power Source(s): Generator
Power Multiplier: 2X

Bonus Points:

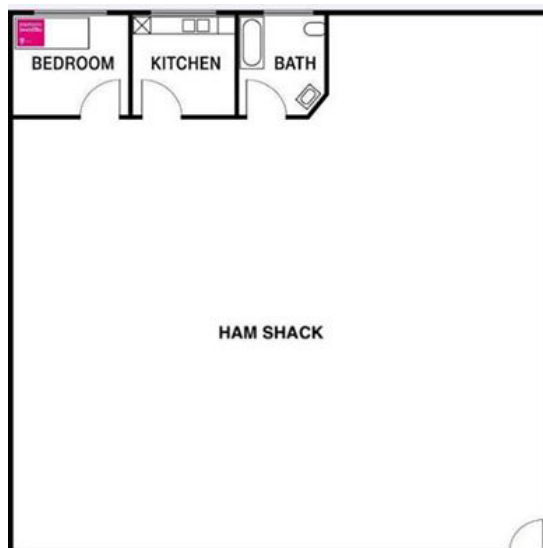
100% Emergency power	300
Media Publicity	100
Public Location	100
Public Information Table	100
W1AW Field Day Message	100
Submitted via the Web	50
Social media	100
Safety officer	100
Total Bonus Points	950

Score Summary:

	CW Digital Phone		
Total QSOs	437	0	166
Total Points	874	0	166 1040 Claimed
	Score = 2,080		

"Ham Plans"

This is what happens when a ham designs a house.



The coverage maps for VE5YQR & VE5REC repeaters

The program called Radio Mobile is free and on line. It provides coverage maps for amateur radio repeaters. The user inputs the data and the program compiles the map from Google Maps.

Terry VE5TLW

VE5YQR

Par/By Roger Coudé VE2DBE

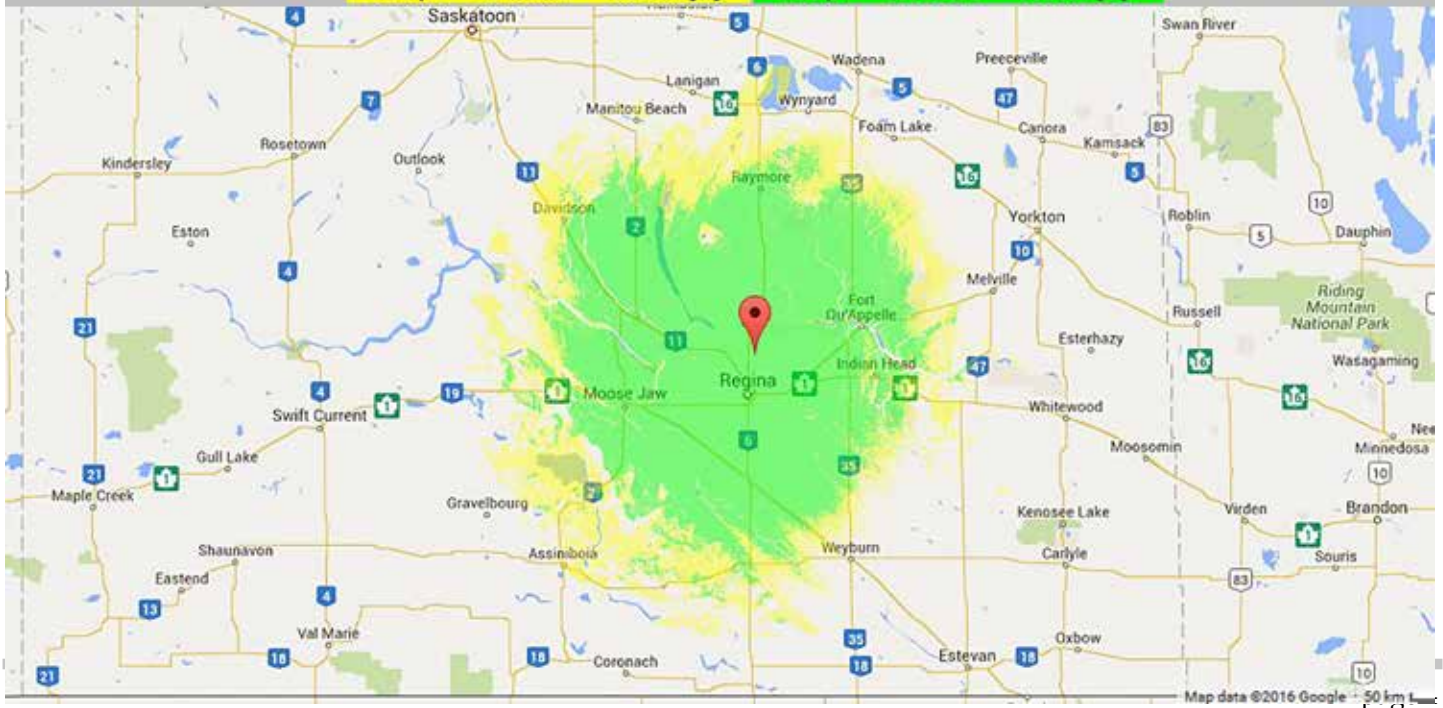
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VE5REC

Par/By Roger Coudé VE2DBE

0.50 μ V 42492 km² 283969 pop 1.58 μ V 28326 km² 265127 pop





Field Day 2016

Photos by VE5AD & VE5LAT

