



MANITOULIN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 24 2022

IN ATTENDANCE:

Al Boyd VE3AJB, President
Rusty Auxier VE3WVA, Vice President
Louella Noble VE3LDY, Secretary/Treasurer
Jeff Noble VE3JFN, Director
Martin Connell VA3MFC, Director
Tom Stenbraaten VA3TSS
Joey Shynn VA3GOC
Sherry
Eugene Grenier VA3EMG
Jenny Cruise VA3JCX
Claude Chauvin VE3CYX
Denis Bois VE3OOZ
Ted Court VA3CTE
Suzanne Morin VE3LDE
Paul Tetro VA3AUO
Igor Slakva VE3ZF
Daryl Corbett VA3UAP
Bob Young VE3ETE
Wilf Olin VA3WFO
Michael Dewson VE3MFV
Ted Eaton VE3EWE
Patric Dopson VE3VC/VE3HZQ
Bill Wickenden VE3BEK
Fay Wickenden VA3YOY
Maureen Nightingale VE3MIO
Philippe Lapalme VE3POF
Robert McFarlane VE3AGN
Denis Brunette VA3DCB
Doug Baxter VA3TDG
Janice Clanfield VA3POX
Nick Coutou VE3NZC

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 1:15 P.M.

Agenda read out, and call for amendments to agenda.

Amendment by Wilf Olin: what is the future of Amateur Radio in North Eastern Ontario.

Motion to approve agenda by Claude Chauvin

2nd: Maureen Nightingale

Motion passed

Minutes of the 2021 A.G.M. read in by Al Boyd, President

Motion to accept the minutes by Bob Young

2nd: Denis Brunette

Motion passed

STATE OF THE CLUB REPORT: Al Boyd

Explanation of why the A.G.M. was being held once again on Zoom rather than in person.

Field Day, Canada Day and Winter Day participation from last year. Informed the membership that as we open up there will be no pressure to attend any functions with the club, it is personal choice as to whether or not people attend the breakfasts etc.

Members informed that the site at Macleans Mountain is nearing it's end of life, discussion to come later as to the repeater and modes of that site, and placement of said repeater.

The annual PICNIC will be held July 17th 2022, the Christmas Dinner will be determined a little later in the year, due to the pandemic.

Haweater Weekend is on again for this year, waiting to hear if the club will be required for traffic control for the parade.

Motion to accept the State of the Club made by Tom Stenbraaten

2nd: Eugene Grenier

Motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Louella Noble

Financial report given showing the amount of dues and donations received, expenses incurred for the period April 30, 2021 to April 23, 2022. Question raised as to the difference in Internet costs on page 2 versus page 5. Explained that the difference is on page 2 the internet costs which are paid every six months were entered in two installments, whereas on page 5 the internet costs is shown as the total for the year.

Motion to accept the Financial Report made by Rusty Auxier

2nd: Claud Chauvin

Motion passed.

M.A.R.C. ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE ELECTIONS FOR PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS

Explanation of the structure of the executive of the club given by Al Boyd.

Nominations called for regarding the 3 Director positions.

No nominations forwarded

George Dickieson agreed to stand and is acclaimed.

Jeff Noble agreed to stand and is acclaimed.

Martin Connell agreed to stand and is acclaimed.

Nominations called for regarding the position of President.

No nominations forwarded

Al Boyd agreed to stand as President and is acclaimed.

Elections closed.

VE3RMI OVERVIEW: Al Boyd

Description of the location of the repeater, it's accessibility as well as the area it covers and the locations that are able to check in. Presentation of pictures showing the setup of the repeater in it's cabinet etc.

General discussion regarding the repeater and its use.

FACEBOOK PAGE AND YOUTUBE CHANNEL UPDATE: Louella Noble

Updated the members on the great success of the FaceBook page, as well as the YouTube channel, with descriptions of what type of content is loaded to YouTube.

WEBSITE UPDATE: Rusty Auxier

Rusty explained the migration of the website to a new "host" as well as some of the content available on the page.

Al Boyd proposed a new position for member Igor Slakva, CONTEST CO-ORDINATOR/MENTOR. All members were in agreement of creating this new position, Igor agreed to accept so motion was passed.

UPCOMING CONTESTS: Igor Slakva

Discussion and presentation from Igor regarding upcoming contests and award availability for 2022

Field Day June 25/26 2022

Canada Day Contest July 1 2022

CQ WW VHF contest July 16/17 2022

Light House on the Air Aug 6/7 2022

Discussion on setting up N1MM software to use the computer for automated exchanges.

Igor is providing some great prizes for contests, prizes to be awarded at the annual Picnic on July 17 2022.

Igor put forward the suggestion that the Club sponsor 2 awards for the CQ WW VHF contest, the Rover Canada trophy and the Hill Topper World trophy. Question put forward: Do we have to sponsor every year? Igor informed us no, it does not have to be on a continual basis. Question put forward: Can individuals sponsor? Igor informed us yes, individuals can sponsor an award.

Motion put forward to sponsor

Moved to accept: Al Boyd

All members in favour, motion passed, and we will sponsor the 2 awards for 2022.

Discussion around starting breakfasts again - breakfasts to start again on May 7 2022.

Discussion on whether or not to continue the Zoom meetings, and if so, what time and frequency. Suggestions put forward for Saturday afternoons, Sunday afternoons, or week nights? Also to consider alternating breakfast and Zoom, ie breakfast one week, Zoom the next.

Decision made to have breakfast Saturday mornings, with Zoom meetings at 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Round Table discussion, do we continue? Suggestion was made to consider doing it every other day. Decision made to hold the Round Table on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning on May 1 2022

Annual Picnic discussion, social distancing will be observed, masks are personal choice. Also reminded members to bring a dish, and donations to the prize table are more than welcome.

No other business to discuss.

Move to close the Annual General Meeting at 4:52 p.m: Bob Young
2nd: Daryl Corbett
All in favour, motion passed.