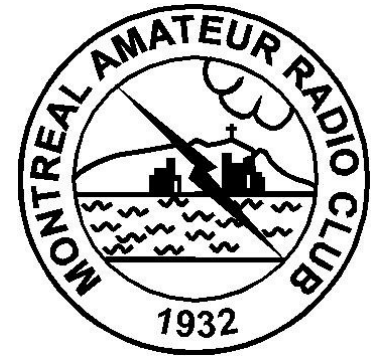


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NEXT MEETING

25 October, 2022

THIS MONTH: IMPORTANT!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Ragchew and general chit-chat: 19:30
Club meeting: 20:00

St. Thomas' Anglican Church,
6897 Somerled (corner of Rosedale) in N.D.G. - Montreal

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

This time, the meeting is important as the MARC will be holding its Annual General Meeting. It would be nice to see as many members as possible.

The Annual General Meeting is the time at which members can express their ideas, and cast their vote when the election of officers is held. The lifeblood of a Club such as ours depends on responsible officers and, of course, lots of members with interesting ideas.

The place is St. Thomas' Anglican Church meeting hall, 6897 Somerled, corner Rosedale, **IN PERSON**, with coffee and cookies!

Parking is on the surrounding streets, and bus access via #51 on Fielding (short walk south) and #102 on Somerled (long walk north). The entrance is at the back of the north side of the church on Rosedale.

SEE YOU THERE!

73 de Nora, VA2NH

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Membership Time!

It's still membership time. September 1st is the start of the new membership year, when memberships, new or renewals, are due. We'd like to see you back.

Complete the form online at
<https://www.marc.ca/memform/>
and pay with Square or Interac e-Transfer.

We hope to see you soon.

Marc-Andre Gingras, VE2EVN
President - Montreal Amateur Radio Club

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Repeaters

VE2BG 147.06 MHz (+) 103.5

Owned and operated by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club. Back on the air but still looking for a new location.

VE2RED 147.27 MHz (+) 103.5

On the air from Ridgewood Ave. in Montreal; CTCSS tone of 103.5 Hz for access. Thanks to Claude Everton, the VE2RMP group and Metrocom for making this possible.

The repeaters are open to all amateurs.

Meetings of the Board of Directors

Meetings of the Board of Directors are held on the first Tuesday of the month (Aug to June) at 19:30 on-line using the Zoom platform. The club no longer holds in-person board meetings. If you have questions, concerns or suggestions for the Board to discuss, please send an email to ve2arc@marc.ca for inclusion in the meeting agenda.

Club Activities

Monthly Meetings

(last Tuesday of the month)

25 Oct - Annual General Meeting.

29 Nov - Eamon VE2EGN, on Radio Astronomy.

30 Nov - MARC Christmas Party.

31 Jan 2023 - Gabriel VEA2QA, President of RAQI, news update.

Every Wednesday, @ 20:00 (00:00Z), go to the net on VE2RED.

See page 3.

Radio Classes

The 2022 January Basic level course has ended. If you know of anyone interested in taking the course, please direct them to <https://marc.ca/course/> for more information. The next planned Basic course will start in January 2023.

MARC Hamfest

The MARC flea market is back!

The next MARC flea market will be held on 15 April 2023.

The venue we found for the last hamfest was a success, so we will return to the Royal Canadian Legion Hall in Lachine, 3015 Henri-Dunant, from 09:00 to 12:00.

Go to <http://marc.ca/fest/> for more information as it happens.

Incoming QSL card service

As has been mentioned in previous MARCograms, we are resuming the club's service of having incoming QSL cards sent to the club for members to pick up at meetings. This is a service which we are offering to our members which both saves the individual members money as well as makes more efficient use of our collective resources.

If you would like to avail yourself of this service please send an e-mail to qsl@marc.ca and we will add you to the list of cards that the incoming bureau sends to the club and we will get them to you somehow.

SolderSpot

Group build Power Supply Project - By Leo VE2SI

If you're interested and even if you've spoken with me before, please send an email to VE2ARC@marc.ca and indicate your level of interest.

Participation is open to everyone and MARC membership is not a requirement. Due to COVID-19, SolderSpot is temporarily on hold. Other options are being considered.

This project is standing by due to available time.



UPCOMING FLEAS/EVENTS

2022

What: WIARC Hamfest
Who: West Island Amateur Radio Club
When: Saturday, 26 Nov 2022
Where: Lakeside Heights Baptist Church, Pointe Claire, QC

2023

What: Iroquois ARC Fleamarket
Who: Iroquois Amateur Radio Club
When: Saturday, 1 Apr 2023
Where: Iroquois ON

What: **MARC Hamfest**
Who: **Montreal Amateur Radio Club**
When: **Saturday, 15 Apr 2023**
Where: **Lachine, QC**

What: Ottawa/Carp Hamfest
Who: Ottawa Amateur Radio Club
When: Saturday, 9 Sep 2023
Where: Carp, ON

Note from the editor.
 Due to COVID -19, the list of hamfests and events is severely limited. Please check with the organizing authority before planning to attend as some may be cancelled.

VE2RED TUESDAY NET RETURNS

Any discrepancies, please inform Leo, VE2SI

The net closed down for the summer as everyone scattered from their usual schedules and pursued individual summer projects. The net has resumed for the next season. Please join us every **Wednesday** evening at 20:00 local on VE2RED on 2m output frequency of 147.270 MHz (+600 kHz input offset) CTCSS tone of 103.5 Hz. Everyone is welcome. If you have something to sell, or are looking to buy, feel free to mention it.

We have a few Net operators hosting it, but

we're looking for more net operators!

We're always interested in adding to this team if you're interested. Send me an email if you would like to try out Net Operations for an evening.

Leo, VE2SI
leo49@videotron.ca

2022-10-12 Net commenced 20:00 local, 00:00Z

Net control George, VE2ARC (VE2NGH)

Net closed: 21:22

Check-ins: 11

Discussion: What are your experiences with stealth antennae?

2022-10-05 Net commenced 20:00 local, 00:00Z

Net control Leo, VE2ARC (VE2SI)

Net closed: 21:15

Check-ins: 9

Discussion: Are there too many contests?

2022-09-28 Net commenced 20:00 local, 00:00Z

Net control Leo, VE2ARC (VE2SI)

Net closed: 20:53

Check-ins: 8

Discussion: Is shortwave listening still relevant?

2022-09-21 Net commenced 20:00 local, 00:00Z

Net control Leo, VE2ARC (VE2SI)

Net closed: 21:24

Check-ins: 11

Discussion: Should we move away from physical printed QSL cards to electronic forms? Is it inevitable?





COME ONE - COME ALL!

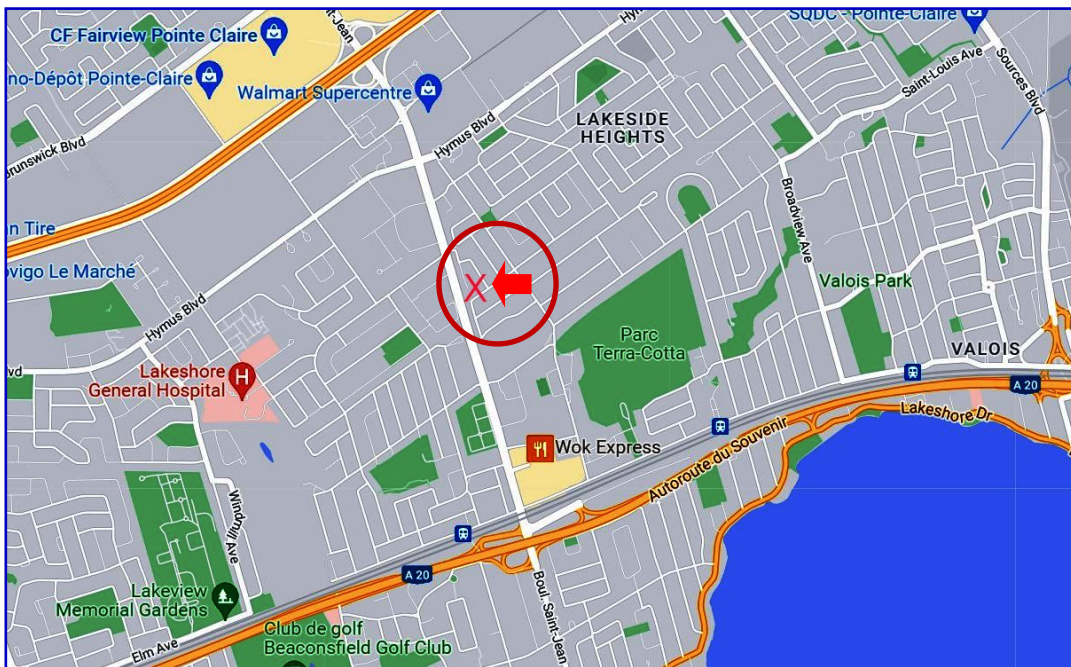
WIARC ANNUAL FLEA-MARKET

**The annual flea-market will take place
at the Lakeside Heights Baptist Church
275 Braebrook, Pointe Claire H9R1W1
on Saturday 26 Nov, 2022.**

Admission will be \$5 for everyone and sellers can rent space for \$5 per table.

If you want to sell at the flea market, please contact
Jonathan vp@wiarc.ca to reserve a table.

Sellers will be admitted at 07:00 AM and the general public at 08:00 AM.

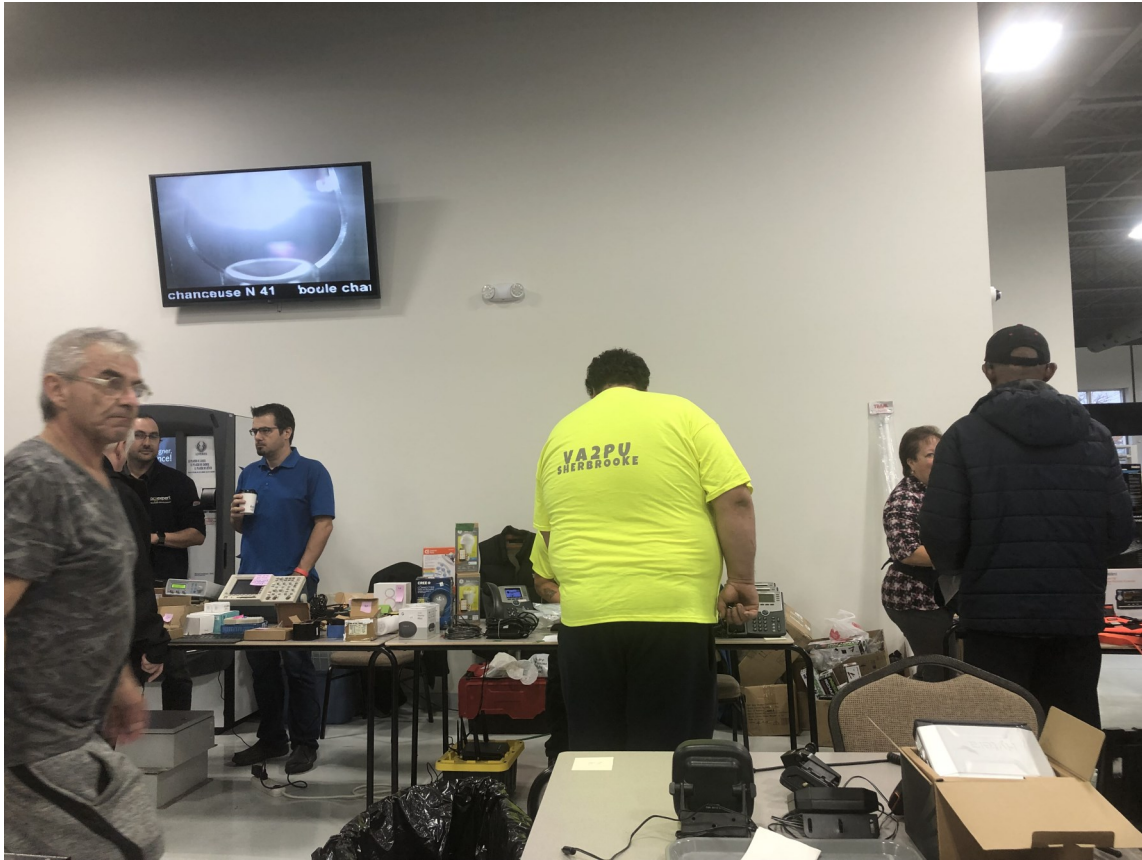


THE SOUTH SHORE HAMFEST IS BACK!

Saturday, 15 October 2022 saw the welcome return of the South Shore hamfest. As their previous venue, Place Desaulniers, had been demolished, the fest found a new home in a bingo hall on Roland-Therrien in Longueuil. We had been hankering for a hamfest for a while so we signed up for a table and transported two superfluous instruments.

The new venue is well-lit, clean and lacks that raised portion of the floor. The price of admission and a table was reasonable, attendance was good, and, wonder of all wonders, we sold one of the instruments. Here are some of my photographs of the event.





SHANDA		Amateur Counts (Activities) Nombre de transactions (amateurs) 2021-01-01 to / au 2021-12-31													2022-10-03			
		Province / Territory / Territoire																
		Total / Total	AB	BC	MB	NB	NL	NS	NT	NU	ON	PE	QC	SK	YT	INTL		
# New Amateur Qualifications / Nbr. de nouv. qualifications amateurs :		1617																
Basic / Base :		220	24	68	27	12	4	3	0	0	31	0	37	14	0	0		
Basic with Honours / Base avec distinction :		1127	123	373	15	26	7	27	2	1	371	4	158	13	7	0		
Advanced / Supérieure :		237	21	31	14	7	6	11	0	0	91	0	49	6	1	0		
Morse Code / Code Morse :		33	1	4	0	1	1	1	0	0	17	0	7	1	0	0		
Other Counts / Autres comptes :																		
# New Amateurs (incl. Reinstated) / # Nouveaux amateurs (incl. réintégré) :		1350	147	440	45	40	10	34	2	1	409	4	192	20	6	0		
# New Clubs / # Nouveaux clubs :		25	1	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	10	0	4	1	1	0		
# New Call Signs Issued / # Nouveaux indicatifs émis :		1696	177	521	64	64	18	63	4	4	483	9	242	38	8	1		
# Call Signs placed in NOK / # Indicatifs réservés pour parents proches :		232	21	27	14	5	6	10	0	0	114	1	29	2	0	3		
# New AEs / # Nouveaux EAs :		15	1	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	5	0	0	0		
# Renewed AEs / # EAs renouvelés :		116	11	21	5	5	2	2	2	0	40	4	16	6	2	0		
# Exams by AE / # Examens par EA :		1577	168	471	52	46	17	42	2	0	490	4	244	33	8	0		
# Exams by ISED / # Examens par ISDE :		13	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	0		
# Reinstatements by ISED / # Réintégrations par ISDE :		41	2	8	1	2	2	4	0	0	13	0	9	0	0	0		
# Amateur Certificates Printed / # Certificats amateurs imprimés :		2676	273	742	84	80	36	87	6	1	817	11	470	58	11	0		
# Club Certificates Printed / # Certificats clubs imprimés :		105	4	26	11	7	3	2	3	0	34	1	12	1	1	0		

In preparation for the next meeting of the International Amateur Radio Union, Radio Amateurs of Canada asked Innovation Science and Economic Development Canada for some statistics on Amateur Radio. Here are some numbers from the report; part of RAC's presentation to IARU, via RAQI.

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		Province / Territory / Territoire																
		Total / Total	AB	BC	MB	NB	NL	NS	NT	NU	ON	PE	QC	SK	YT	INTL		
# New Amateur Qualifications / Nbr. de nouv. qualifications amateurs :		1139																
Basic / Base :		170	13	56	30	2	0	1	0	0	41	0	22	5	0	0		
Basic with Honours / Base avec distinction :		767	80	242	9	16	9	13	0	0	276	2	103	17	0	0		
Advanced / Supérieure :		160	12	27	9	4	1	4	0	0	82	0	19	2	0	0		
Morse Code / Code Morse :		42	3	12	0	0	1	0	0	0	21	0	5	0	0	0		
Other Counts / Autres comptes :																		
# New Amateurs (incl. Reinstated) / # Nouveaux amateurs (incl. réintégré) :		1009	101	315	41	17	9	16	0	0	335	2	141	32	0	0		
# New Clubs / # Nouveaux clubs :		23	2	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	7	0	5	1	0	0		
# New Call Signs Issued / # Nouveaux indicatifs émis :		1245	140	359	48	24	16	40	0	0	399	5	169	42	1	2		
# Call Signs placed in NOK / # Indicatifs réservés pour parents proches :		147	22	29	9	3	0	10	0	0	41	2	26	4	0	1		
# New AEs / # Nouveaux EAs :		12	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	2	0	0		
# Renewed AEs / # EAs renouvelés :		43	10	6	1	0	1	4	0	0	13	0	8	0	0	0		
# Exams by AE / # Examens par EA :		1092	105	326	46	20	11	18	0	0	396	2	145	23	0	0		
# Exams by ISED / # Examens par ISDE :		9	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0		
# Reinstatements by ISED / # Réintégrations par ISDE :		26	2	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	11	0	6	0	0	0		
# Amateur Certificates Printed / # Certificats amateurs imprimés :		2031	213	524	89	45	30	67	1	1	665	4	325	60	7	0		
# Club Certificates Printed / # Certificats clubs imprimés :		116	13	24	3	2	0	3	0	0	36	1	33	1	0	0		

SHANDA		Amateur Counts (Active) Nombre d'amateurs (actifs)		2022-10-03	
Number of Active Amateurs (with call sign) / Nombre d'amateurs actifs (avec indicatif) :				74,805	
Number of Active Clubs / Nombre de clubs actifs :				1681	
Number of Active AEs (Amateur) / Nombre d'examineurs amateurs actifs :				319	
Number of Special Events in Progress / Nombre d'événements spéciaux en cours :				4	
"Active": Amateurs/clubs/examineurs with status "Active" or "To Be Printed". "Actifs": Amateurs/clubs/examineurs ayant le statut "Actif" ou "À imprimer".					

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual general meeting of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club Inc., will be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 20:00 at St. Thomas' Anglican Church, 6897 Somerled Avenue (corner Rosedale Avenue) in N.D.G., in Molson Hall. The entrance is on Rosedale at the rear of the church.

The meeting is called to:

- ◆ Receive and if thought fit, approve the reports of the officers;
- ◆ Receive and if thought fit, approve the report of the auditor;
- ◆ Elect directors and officers to hold office for the coming year;
- ◆ To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Given in St. Lazare this 21nd day of September, 2022.

(Sgd.) Nora Hague

Nora Hague. VA2NH,
Secretary,
Montreal Amateur Radio Club, Inc.