

The Transmitter

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Meeting Minutes for the Month of: **October 12th, 2017** Issue Date: **November 1, 2017**

The September minutes were approved by Jim, VE1CHI, and seconded by Jim, VE1JDS. Motion Passed.

Correspondence: Received a request for information on Amateur Radio operators in Nova Scotia from the town of Souris, PEI. They are updating their EMO plan.

Old Business: Wednesday, October 11th has been set for the starting date for a Morse Code class.

Committee Reports:

Repeaters:

VE1TRO: Nothing to report.

VE1XK: Problems related to Packet.

RAC: Nothing to report

NSARA: There will be an NSARA meeting after the Greenwood Flea Market and also the annual general meeting will be held. All are welcome to attend.

Finance: Mike, VE1MBH, gave a financial report and it was seconded by Logan, VE1LFS. Motion passed.

- **Sick and Visiting:** Nothing to report.

New Business:

Looking for people that would be interested in becoming an Amateur Radio Operator.

October 21st is Greenwood Flea Market.

Dave, VE1HUL, gave a report on the Nubie Round Table starting up again on Oct. 22th.

Discussed the options for October Handshake, as it will be on Halloween night this year.

Meeting was adjourned by Lindsey, VE1LCG and seconded by Luigi VE1XBJ.

Next Meeting: November 13th, 2017. Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: **EMO Communications Building, 39 Pictou Road, Bible Hill.**

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Notes from your president.

Hi folks, it has been a busy month for amateur radio with all of the activities starting up for another year.

As a reminder, it is dues time again and for Club membership the dues for the year are \$30 with an extra \$10 if you want to join the NSARA for the year.

There were lots of Truro area amateurs in attendance at the Greenwood Field Day on October 21st. Attendance was down but I think that everyone enjoyed the day.

Mike, VE1MBH, and I went to the Shubenacadie repeater site to attempt repairs on VE1SHU which has not been working on VHF for several weeks. We were not successful in getting it completely repaired but we did at least discover the problem and Bill, VE1MR, is getting a receiver ready to install in place of the existing one. For now, the VE1SHU repeater is not available for use. We will advise you when it is working again.

We made a couple of trips to Hilden because the Fusion repeater was acting up. This has been an ongoing problem but we hope to get it under control. We should have an internet controlled power bar at both of the Club repeater sites as travelling to these sites in the winter just to reset a piece of equipment is going to be a pain. We don't really have the money in our budget to cover the cost of two of these unless someone is interested in a money raising scheme.

Our Morse code classes are underway and everyone is working hard to become proficient at Morse. If anyone has a Morse key that they know they will never be using you might mention it at a meeting so one of the students can talk with you about obtaining it.

Dave's TARC Nubie Round Table is off to a great start again. I have listened to lots of activity on the two nights it has been on.

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I have a small but good list of amateurs willing to help out locally if there is another widespread communications problem like we had during the summer when Bell Aliant had a problem with two severed cables.

Dana's VHF DMR repeater is up and running well. I don't know how many users there are at this point. Ask him about it when you are chatting with him.

I heard that John, VE1TJU, had a mishap with a ladder recently. Gee John, wasn't that on the very same day I warned you to be careful on ladders? :-)

I think that is about all for this month. I hope to see you all at the meeting.

73,

Bruce