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VE3ERC-LUB

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ERC REPEATERS

UHF 444.700 + TONE: 131.8
UHF 444.700 + TONE: 123.0
VHF 147.390 + TONE: 123.0
VHF 147.255 + TONE: 131.8
EMERGENCY SIMPLEX: 147.51
UHF-IRLP node 2404,ECHOLINK VE3ERC-L
VHF- IRLP node 2403,ECHOLINK VE3ERC-R

**In an emergency, tune
Into our repeaters,
UHF 444.700 or
VHF 147.390 or
HF 3.755 LSB or
Simplex 147.510
For coordination and
assignments.**



**FIELD DAY 2021
SPECIAL ISSUE**



Radio Amateurs
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THE PREZ SEZ!

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President's Update for June 2021

It is so wonderful to see that we were able to get back to a bit of normalcy with our Field Day experience, even if it was on a more limited basis.

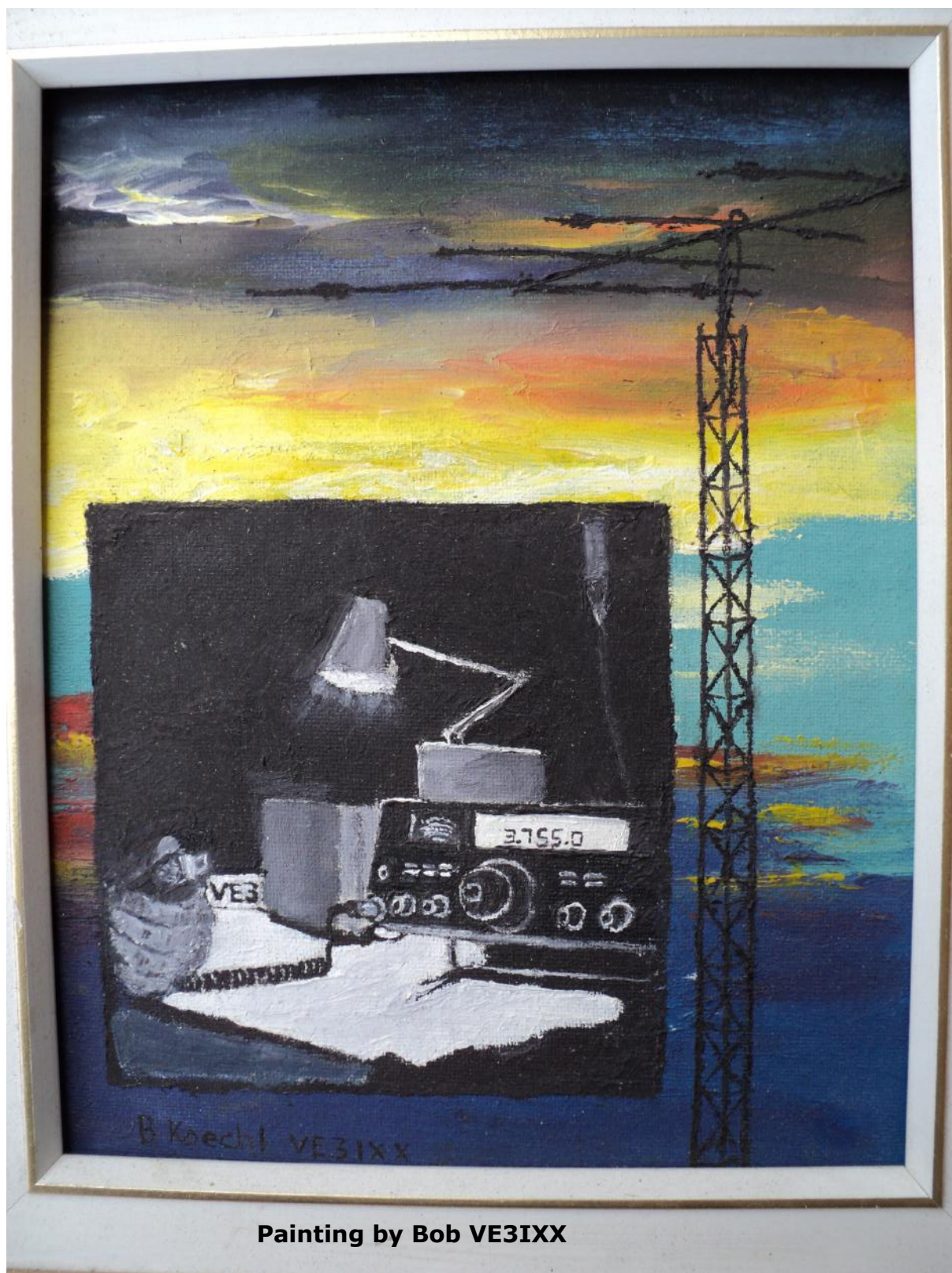
While a number of our members did run Field Day from their home stations, a few intrepid souls set up trailers and tents at Ken's (VE3KCY) sugar bush (picture below) for the event.

And it was a resounding success, so much so that we are dedicating this issue of the newsletter to this Field Day experience.

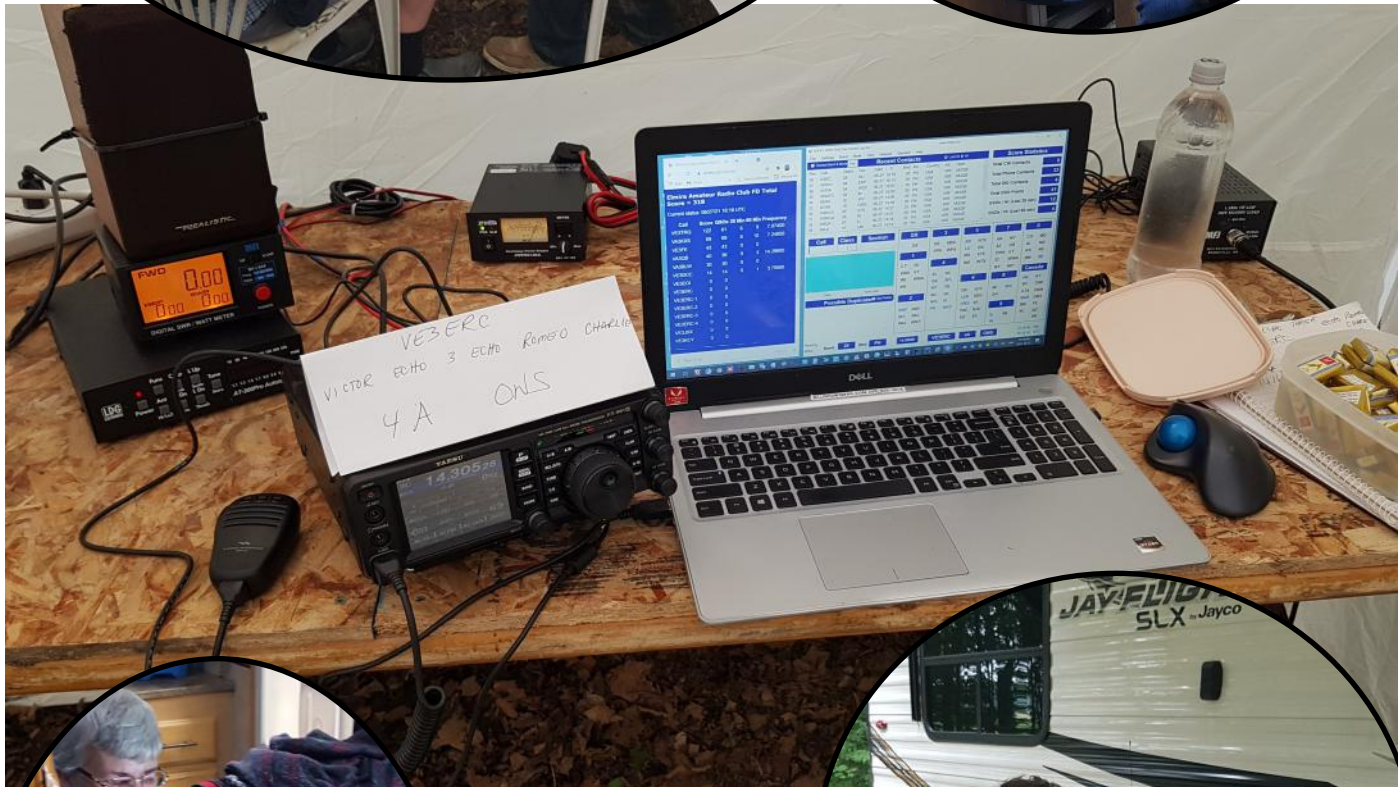
So enjoy the next few pages of pictures of 2021 Field Day.



FIELD DAY 2021



Painting by Bob VE3IXX





Thanks to Bill VA3QB for sending these pictures and those on the previous page from the idyllic location of Field Day at the sugar bush of Ken VE3KCY.



Colin VA3BLW sent the two top pictures from the camp. Can you find the antenna in the picture on the left. A great stealth antenna.

Elmira Amateur Radio Club FD Total Score = 441

Current status: 06/27/21 19:26 UTC

Total uploader is currently off line. Please click the call signs to see the individual upload pages.

Call	Score	QSOs	20	Min	60	Min	Frequency
VE3TRQ	196	98	6	10	7.07400		
VA3KXS	70	70	0	0	21.27080		
VE3FE	68	68	0	0			
VA3QB	63	59	0	0	14.22960		
VA3BLW	30	30	0	0			
VE3DCC	14	14	0	0	3.75500		
VE3EOI	0	0					
VE3ERC	0	0					
VE3ERC-1	0	0					
VE3ERC-2	0	0					
VE3ERC-3	0	0					
VE3ERC-4	0	0					
VE3JXX	0	0					
VE3KCY	0	0					
14	441	339	6	10			

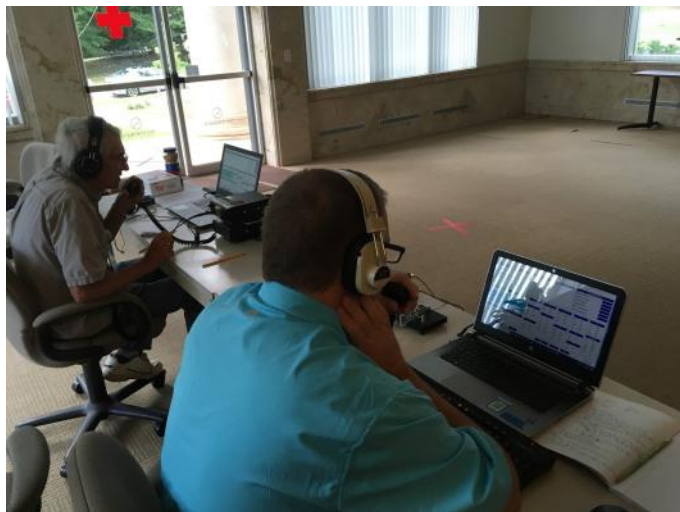


Ted VE3TRQ sent the following and wrote:

Here's an image of the FD stats page, which you can find at <https://ve3erc.ca/contests/> (Note: Stats are updated as the information is received)

Also two pictures of my operating positions. One at the computers only (left above), the other at the radio desk (above right).

Ted VE3TRQ
ve3trq@rypma.ca



Our resident member from Alabama, Judd N4WXU sent the above pics and wrote:
Please find attached...2 jpegs

AB4KE FD is a pic of four members (Rob, Steve, Tim and Tom) of the LaGrange Amateur Radio Club...at the Dallas St. office of the Red Cross, where our club house is located...
AB4KE OPS is a picture of two of LaGranges outstanding members....The fellow on the left is TOM -KD4HJD—he runs the monday night 10m net on 28.337 @ 7:30PM EASTERN...
Yes,,, air conditioned and dry FD in the Lobby...LOL

JUDD N4WXU

Rich VE3DCC sent his picture and wrote:

Running an FT891 using an 80 m dipole and 6 m dipole thru an MN2000 Drake matching network.

Logging software linked to ve3ERC web network.

Rich VE3DCC



My Field Day experience this year was different from all other years. I ran PSK-31 almost exclusively unlike other years using SSB. My station is shown on the left running into the late night hours.

Bob VE3IXX

CONTRIBUTIONS TO VE3ERC-CLUB NEWSLETTER

Do you have an article you'd like to submit? Or photos? Do you have any comments you'd like to make?

Perhaps you'd like to share a photo of your shack, a special project you are working on or a special interest!

SEND THEM TO:

Bob bobve3ixx@gmail.com
(519-787-2279)



WEDNESDAY NITE NET CONTROLLERS

JUNE 16 - BOB VE3IXX
JUNE 23 - MEETING
JUNE 30 - TED VE3TRQ
JULY 7 - BILL VA3QB
JULY 14 - KIRK VA3KXS
JULY 21 - REG VE3RVH
JULY 28 - FRANK VA3FJM
AUGUST 4 - TOM VE3DXQ
AUGUST 11 - TONY VE3DWI
AUGUST 18 - WES VE3ML
AUGUST 25 - BRIAN VA3DXK



**From
the**

PAST



**Setting up for
Field Day
2010**



ERC Elmira Radio Club Inc. - Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2021

<u>Attendance - Members</u>	<u>Attendance - Officers</u>
Bill Reid VA3QB	Ted Rypma VE3TRQ - Vice President
Bob Koechl VE3IXX	Paul Curtin VA3PDC – Treasurer
Bruce McLellan VE3QB	Kirk Sinclair VA3KXS – Secretary
Gary Kornstein VE3JGK	
Jack Sinclair VA3WPJ	<u>Guests:</u>
James Litwiller VE3JLC	Rick Brown VE3IMG
Jim Heidmiller VE3JMU	
John Linnerth VE3OVO	
Judd Hodge N4WXU/VE3WXU	
Marianne Lelieveld VE3MXT	
Roger Sanderson VE3RKS	
Thomas Daniel VA3VRA	
Tony Lelieveld VE3DWI	

Meeting Location: Zoom

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order:

- a. Meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Ted Rypma VE3TRQ at 7:37pm and he welcomed everyone present.

2. Roll Call:

- a. Roll call established those present and it was noted quorum had been attained.

3. Approval of Agenda:

- a. The agenda was circulated via email prior to the meeting.
- b. MOTION to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by: Bill VA3QB

Carried

4. Presentation

- a. None. E-Social gathering to be held at the end of business

5. Secretary Report: Presented by Kirk Sinclair VA3KXS.

- a. Correspondence Received:
 - i. eQSL cards received from Doyle Braun (KI8L) and Patrick Hopkins (K3PDH) from our 2020 activation of the Point Clark Lighthouse.
- b. Minutes of the May 26, 2021 AGM were emailed to members on the same day.
 - i. Corrected that Paul VA3PDC presented the motion for item 3.b instead of Bill VA3QB.
 - ii. Corrected the callsign for Ted VE3TRQ in item 10.c.i
- c. MOTION to approve the revised minutes of May 26, 2021.

Motion By: Kirk VA3KXS

Carried

6. Treasurers Report: Presented by Ted VE3TRQ

- a. Details of transactions for the month of May were not displayed.
- b. Ted confirmed that he and Paul Curtin VA3PDC are now configured with signing authority on the club bank account.

7. Presidents Report: Presented by Vice-President Ted Rypma VE3TRQ.

- a. This is the final meeting of the club year. For the upcoming year we will hopefully be able to have in-person meetings! Work will be done over the summer to contact the fire chief and work out the details.
- b. On behalf of the club, Ted VE3TRQ extended best wishes to both Brian VA3DXK and Paul VA3PDC for speedy recoveries.
- c. This weekend is field day. Enjoy it wherever you may be!
- d. The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is in August. If you can make it out to Point Clark and there is space to operate, feel free to do so.
- e. Ted encouraged members to call Al VE3TET, his phone number is listed in the members area of the website. Perhaps we can arrange a Wednesday morning coffee during the summer in Al's back yard.
- f. The next meeting will be in September. We will be looking into having in-person meetings with a hybrid (online) option.

8. Committee Reports:

- a. Safety Officer - Kirk Sinclair VA3KXS
 - i. Kirk encouraged anyone operating for Field Day to make safety a priority.
- b. Spring Field Day Committee - Bill Reid VA3QB
 - i. Field Day is June 26-27, 2021.
 - ii. Bill has sent out details of the location to everyone who has expressed an interest. Members operating here will operate under the VE3ERC callsign. Logs from this location need to be sent to Kirk VA3KXS for QSL purposes.

- iii. Members operating from home can contact Bill VA3QB for details about the logging software. Home operators will be done under individual call signs. The <http://ve3erc.ca/contests> page will be setup by Ted VE3TRQ for people who wish to aggregate logs in real-time.
 - iv. "**Elmira Amateur Radio Club**" should be used by individuals as the Club name in their log submission.
- c. 24th Annual International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend - Paul Curtin VA3PDC
- i. 0001 UTC 21 Aug to 2400 UTC 22 Aug
 - ii. No formal plans at this time.
 - iii. Kirk VA3KXS will send out an update to the mailing list in August with details of any plans.
 - iv. Anyone can operate under the VE3ERC callsign if they choose to go up. Please keep accurate logs and ensure they are sent to Kirk VA3KXS for QSL purposes.

9. Unfinished Business:

- a. Repeater Technical Committee - Bill Reid VA3QB / Tony VE3DWI
- i. Bill & Tony visited the feed mill and did some troubleshooting to increase the output power. Some additional work is needed to get a bit more.
 - ii. Tony has taken the UHF repeater to clean and service. Once the UHF repeater is returned to service, the next task will be adding a power amplifier to the VHF repeater.
 - iii. Bill is going to replace the tape sealing on the cabinets with a rubber mat covering. Funds for this will be taken from our previous approval for repeater work.
 - iv. Over the summer Bill would like to organize a work party to add two more sections to the Alma tower.
 - v. Bill & Ted are investigating a free internet connection at the repeater site.

10. New Business:

- a. Weekly Wednesday gatherings will continue throughout the summer and will be arranged via the Groups.io mailing list.
- i. We will try to arrange one at Al VA3TET's location.

11. Announcements

- a. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 22, 2021.
- b. Field Day is this weekend!

12. Adjournment

- a. MOTION to adjourn at 8:09pm

Motion By: Tom VA3VRA

Carried

Action Sheet:

Action Required	Reference(s)	Action By	Deadline Date

Correspondence

Mike VE3MKX sent the following site for back issues of Hambrew Magazine. Mike writes:

Hambrew magazine

<http://www.arrowantennas.com/sub/hambrew.html>

quote from the website below:

" Hambrew Magazine was written by George DeGrazio (WF0K) who is now a silent key.

His son, Dylan (KB0ZOB), has given me permission to distribute these magazines in pdf format.

Feel free to download a large number of different issues which first started in 1993.

