

Border City Radio Club

January 26, 2026

NEWSLETTER

Sean opened the meeting at 19:00

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jerry Beneteau - VE3EXT
Dwight Girard – VA3NXE
Kevin Oliver – VA3DSW
Matt Gervais – VE3BW
John Beres – VA3FN
Dan Kennedy – VE3VOG
Dennis Pellarin – VA3DDP
Clayton Smith VE3IRR
Tim McMullin – VE3TCS
Bill Leal – VE3ES
Jeff Burke – VA3JYB
Adam Simon – VE3TJQ
Remko Broueris – VE3DVM
John Schlichther – VE3JUS
Sean Monahan – VA3SGM

In the absence of Treasurer, Bill Hunter, VE3BOK, Sean told the members present that there was \$2180.18 in the bank account.

Motion: to accept the report presented by Sean.

M/S/C: Jerry Beneteau (VE3EXT) and Dwight Girard (VA3NXE)

Sean presented a short tribute to the two silent keys Graham Warrington (Dec 25, 2025) and Ken Garber (Jan 9, 2026). Both men not only supported the amateur radio hobby in general but also Border City Radio Club. Most recently, Ken Garber edited and published the BCRC Newsletter.

A moment of silence was held in their honour.

Matt Gervais (VE3BW) did a presentation on APRS. There were many questions and comments. The presentation can be found on the BCRC website under the tab "Newsletters and Presentations".

Sean (VA3SGM) did a presentation on station grounding and showed several grounding items available on KF7P's website.

There was a discussion about the January VHF contest, last weeks 6M opening, and current DXpeditions to Desecheo Island off the coast of Puerto Rico, and South Shetland Islands just north of the Antarctic Peninsula.

There was also a discussion about whether to continue with the 50/50 draw or not. With no one willing to volunteer their services and taking into account that the draw averaged \$10 per meeting, it was decided not to continue at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 20:30.

BCRC Breakfast

The next breakfast will be Saturday February 14 at 10:00am at Lumberjack Restaurant, corner of Howard and Tecumseh. We are open to visiting new restaurants, please forward requests to: kimberlykostescu@gmail.com

SMSG Elected Officers

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