Border City Radio Club

October 26, 2026
NEWSLETTER

Kim (VE3KKA) opened the meeting at 19:05

IN ATTENDANCE:
Bill Hunter – VE3BOK
Kim Kostescu VE3KKA
Remko Brouerius – VA3BVN
Rick Leblanc – VE3PV
John Beres – VA3FN
John Schlichther – VE3JUS
Matt Gervais – VE3BW
Tim McMullin – VE3TCS
Rick McIntyre – VA3KTR
Dennis Pellarin – VA3DDP
Al Masse – VE3CWP
Clayton Smith – VE3IRR
Adam Simon – VE3TJQ
Jeff Burke – VA3JYB
Kevin Oliver – VA3DSW
Jerry Beneteau – VE3EXT
Tony Cimarosti – VE3EMX
Dave Garber – VE3WEJ
Dwight Gervais – VA3NXE
Bill Reynolds – VA3BZL
Andrew Masse – VA3FMJ

Bill Hunter, VE3BOK, Treasurer, presented the financials. As of this afternoon, there is $2,563.27 in the chequing account and $85 and $25 in shares accounts. RAC Insurance has yet to be paid. Meeting space is paid in full for the entire year ($123.16).

Motion: to accept the report presented by Bill.
M/S/C: Matt (VE3BW)/Dwight (VA3NXE) all in favour/carried

The minutes of September 2026 were emailed to members and posted to www.bordercityradioclub.ca. No additions, corrections or otherwise changes to the minutes were required.
Accepted as read.

Club Logo

Dwight Girard – VA3NXE, displayed t-shirts that can be purchased in addition to the club patch.

Ellis Graphics offers many other clothing items, including polos, hoodies, jerseys, scrubs.

The full 20 page catalog is available online at https://images.distributorcatalogs.com/EllisGraphics/ELLIS_GRAPHICS_2026_CLOTHING_CATALOG.pdf

Patches can be purchased at any BCRC meeting for $6 each by Cash or Etransfer to bcrcwindsor@gmail.com.

Thank you, Dwight, for the time and effort you devoted to this project!

Club Repeaters

The 6m VE3SMR repeater and the 2m VE3WHT repeater are located on property owned by Al (VE3SQB). It is necessary to complete some roof repairs to the dome that houses the repeaters and also complete some upgrades to the electrical systems running the repeaters. Jerry (VE3EXT) and Sean (VA3SGM) now recovered from a nasty bout of poison ivy, are ready to take on these repairs but additional manpower is needed. The thought is that a good quality tarp over the dome will provide 5-7 years of additional time to plan what the long term goal for the repeaters might be.

Jerry Beneteau (VE3EXT)

Besides working on the repeaters, Jerry noted that 6m is booming right now. He did an experiment where he connected one antenna to 4 receivers using a distribution device that he purchased from amazon. Using a preamp helped to bring out weak signals.

Matt Gervais (VE3BW)

Matt began his presentation with acknowledging his problem! Matt has 14 stations in his shack! Since he retired 4.5 years ago, he has taken up collecting vintage stations. Matt provided a very detailed presentation of his shack and it will be posted to www.bordercityradioclub.ca/club-prentations shortly. If you missed this meeting, please take the time to view Matt's shack. It is an inspiration for sure!

Elections

Two director positions are ending in November 2026. They are Sean (VA3SGM) and Kim (VE3KKA). Jerry (VE3EXT) nominated Kim, Matt (VE3BW) seconded the nomination. Dwight (VA3NXE) nominated Sean, Dennis (VA3DDP) seconded the nomination.

Nominations remain open until the time of election during the November meeting. Any member of BCRC can nominate another member.

Open Discussion

Jerry (VE3EXT) brought a table full of items that he no longer has a need for. They are free to whoever can use them.

As for our new meeting room, everyone appeared to like the accommodations. Two items to resolve are, first, air circulation. It was a bit stuffy. Secondly, wifi requires a username and password. Bill (VE3BOK) offered to check in with the school board to get this information. The meeting was not able to be offered via Jitsi Meet platform as hot spotting to the phone is not an effective solution.

If you are attending meetings via Jitsi, please remember that BCRC meetings use the same link for every meeting. A new link is NOT sent monthly. Please connect to the meeting in the same way every time.

BCRC Breakfast

The next BCRC Breakfast will be on **Saturday November 14, at 10:00AM**. We will meet at the Hi Ho, 3691 Walker Road. We are always looking for restaurant suggestions. If you want to try a new location, please send the information to Kim (VE3KKA) as soon as possible so reservations can be made.

The next meeting will be held on Monday November 23 @ 7:00PM

New Location: Herman High School

BCRC Elected Officers

Position	Name	CALL	Email Address
PRESIDENT	Sean Monahan	VA3SGM	monahanspeedy34@gmail.com
SECRETARY	Kimberly Kostescu	VE3KKA	kim.ve3kka@gmail.com
TREASURER	Bill Hunter	VE3BOK	ve3bok@outlook.com