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Current 2025 Management

Manager Barry VE3ISX
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Barry VE3ISX



Richard VE3OZW



Manager's Message

Welcome back all to our fall operating full day schedule.

September promises to be exciting for amateur radio and the hamfest calendar. The traditional HF nets are coming back on line after the summer call off. Check the popular Sandbox Round Table Net back every night at 6:30pm on 3.733 MHz.

A special shout out to Rolly VA3CRE and his crew on the [Nickel Belt](#) 40 meter net...celebrating 7 years daily...7.250 Mhz..18th September 2025

As a net controller on ONTARS and Trans Provincial Net, I am noticing a growing interest in HF, especially with the newer transceivers from the traditional manufacturers. ICOM surprised the community with their update to the IC-7300 with the new MK2 version...CW decode and an HDMI video output. See full details on our Events Calendar, front page.



Controller News



ONTARS Lifeline

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Thank for the privilege of your time!

73 and 88

Barry VE3ISX Net Manager

ONTARS Market Place



Brand New Website!
Canada/local listings!
Free ads for private parties





Ass't Net Manager Message

Hey there, I hope everyone is doing well and had a very enjoyable summer. The days are shorter and the nights are cooler, 80m is getting better daily. Time to get thinking about completing any work outdoors before the weather changes. Myself, I noticed my Hustler is now showing a high SWR on 20m, so I need to investigate that before the arrival of the dreaded white "fungus" also known as "a beautiful white low coefficient of friction" surface.

After a few minor glitches I am happy to report that we are live and rolling in the afternoons. I am pleased to announce Brad VE3NRJ has joined as a controller. Brad has agreed to fill in on Thursday at 5pm until Rick LAD returns at the end of October. At that time, Brad and I will regroup and find a good spot that works. Thank you Brad and I hope everyone takes the time to check in with him.

Other news is that Don WWA is experiencing antenna issues and will be on a slightly longer hiatus from his Saturday at 5pm spot. I will work through that week to week to give Don a chance to get things sorted out at his QTH. I will check back in with him in October.

Lastly, (wow, this is a long one this month) please check out the TCA magazine from RAC this month. If you don't receive the TCA, get your hands on a copy. There is a write up on Nets and I was asked to contribute.



Ass't Net Manager Message

Continued.....

Although still a newbie compared to some, I try to give back to the hobby when I am able. I am a big fan of amateur radio, especially in Canada. I have met some great people through the hobby and I am truly honoured to be a part of ONTARS.

Through the visits to the website and the daily check ins, I know many others are too. Thank you for your participation.

Have a great month ahead and thank you for your support. 73

Rich

VE3OZW

Assistant net manager

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 **Ottawa ARC Hamfest
Pictures**
6th September 2025 Randy VA3XV

 **CARP Ottawa ARC**
9 OC DX Group Production
2025 Hamfest
Video: YouTube 
Saturday 6th September 2025

 **Ottawa ARC Hamfest
Pictures**
6th September 2025 courtesy Mike VE3MKX

 **London Hamfest**
Pictures courtesy Mike VE3MKX
30th August 2025 

 **VE3RMJ Rob
Operation
"Dog Balls 2025"**


 **Tailgate Treasures**
9 OC DX Group Production
Video: YouTube 
Stevensville, Ontario
Saturday 23rd August 2025

 **Stevensville, ON Tailgate
Mike VE3MKX Event Pictures**
23rd August 2025 

 **Events Calendar**
2025 Hamfests/Fleamarkets
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Net website**
7.100 Mhz

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**Thanks for your time.
Barry VE3ISX**

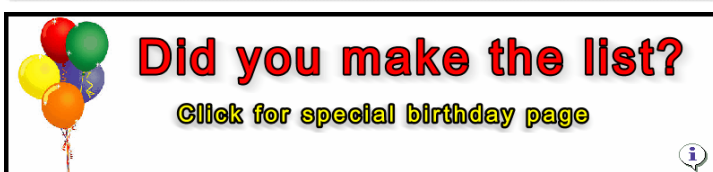


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VA3AGX..Rick.16th September 2025
VE3LKL.....Karen..1st October 2025
VE3CNX..Pat....3rd October 2025
VE3FJN .Colin....3rd October 2025
VE3NEJ...Terry 18th October 2025
VE3CZI...Norm 19th October 2025
VE3IWY.Gordon. 21st October 2025
VA3DLT.Dennis. 23rd October 2025
VE3NH.....Bill...25th October 2025
VA3ECB..Mary 31st October 2025
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VE3WFL.Willie. 6th November 2025
VE3FDZ..John...9th November 2025
VE3AZO.Jack 16th November 2025



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 **The Nickel Belt Net**
Monday-Friday 3:30 to 4:30 pm
7.250 Mhz
Hosted by Rolly VA3CRE 

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Trans Canada Net
Sundays Holidays 1800 GMT
14.140 MHz USB 

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Laurentian Net
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History & schedule 3.755 MHz LSB

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 Local HF/6 Meter Nets

 **VE3KCY 6 Meter Net**
50.170 MHz USB 
Tuesdays at 2100 hours

 **Funding for this site:**
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The Trans Provincial Net
7.100 MHz LSB
Monday to Friday 0800 to 1700 hours
Serving Canadian amateurs since 1982

NEW!
Tech
Topics

The Sandbox Roundtable Net
Daily 3.733 MHz
6:30 pm EST

**Interesting topics and
articles....check it out.**

 **Ottawa 2025 (CARP) Hamfest**
CARP Agricultural Fairgrounds
Amateur Radio Club Saturday 6th September 2025

 **Hamfest 2025**
ANCASTER FAIRGROUNDS
630 Trinity Rd S. Jerseyville
27th September 2025 

 **Eastern Ontario Hamfest**
27th Sept 2025 
www.svarc.ca

 **Horseheads Hamfest**
27th September 2025
Grand Central Avenue, Horseheads, NY
Full details here

Kingston Amateur Radio Club
Hamfest 
Saturday 18th October 2025

**Meet your ONTARS
Controller team 2025**

 Richard
ONTARS
Best net control practices 

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 Controller news

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 **A primer for us all**


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everyday....here they are!**