



# Minutes of the GBARC meeting of March 27th 2012

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The meeting was brought to order by Malen VA3VID at 7:03pm.

**Attendance:** VA3VID, VA3CIC, VA3TS, VE3BQM, VE3NX, VE3IZS, VA3BWZ, VA3FIN, VE3UOK and VA3SDY.

### Secretaries report:

The minutes of the January meeting were read by Secretary Tom VA3TS.  
Motion to accept by Bob VE3NX and seconded by Jon VA3CIC, Carried.

### Treasurers Report:

Bernie VE3BQM presented the treasurers report with an account balance of \$1027.98.  
Motion to accept by Bob VE3NX and seconded by Gerry VA3BWZ, Carried.

## Old Business:

### Distracted Driving Legislation:

As of the time of the meeting there are no new details to report.

### Echolink:

No update available.

### Club Repeaters:

Bob VE3NX informed the group that the repeater discussions were ongoing, but a positive outcome was not anticipated. Bob had suggested that the 2mtr amplifier be put into service at the VE3OSR site. Bob will arrange for access.

**Durham Digipeater:** There was no update to the current information.

**Ontario QSO Party:** This year the QSO party will be held at the QTH of Adam VE3IZS Held on the third full weekend of April 1800Z April 21 to 0500Z April 22, and 1200Z to 1800Z April 22. A signup sheet has been posted on the GBARC webpage for volunteers.

**100km Trek Cabot Head:** The club has been requested to participate in providing communications for this event which is a 100km run from Cabot Head to Wiarton on August 11th. More details are needed. A question was raised as to who had originally suggested this, Jon VA3CIC agreed to check into it.

**Meeting Location:** Bernie VE3BQM has made arrangements for our new meeting location at the Owen Sound Professional Centre, 945 3rd Avenue East, Suite 218 Owen Sound.

## New Business:

**Field Day:** Adam VE3IZS informed the group that this years field day package is now available from the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/field-day> .

**Cabot Head:** Adam VE3IZS inquired if the club would be holding an event at Cabot Head lighthouse like last year. Adam will send an email to the friends of Cabot Head for their

input.

**Fleamarket:** Adam VE3IZS asked if the club would be interested in acquiring a table at various hamfests for club use. The next hamfest is the first weekend in June in Kitchener.

**Motion to adjourn:** By Bernie VE3BQM, seconded by Adam VE3IZS, carried at 7:48pm

**Meeting Presentations:** Malen presented to the group his recent solid state amplifier project kit from [www.communication-concepts.com](http://www.communication-concepts.com). This amp will be used with his IC703+ rig to provide a higher output from this rig. The amp uses mrf454 transistors to produce 140 watts peak from the amp.