



# ***OAKVILLE A.R.E.S. GROUP***

## ***Newsletter***

Communication between two parties only happens when the message is Sent, Received, Understood and Acknowledged. Everything else is just noise.



**AUGUST, 2007**

### **FIELD DAY**

The final point tally that was sent to ARRL came to 4988. These break down to 4138 contact points and 850 in bonus points. There were 805 CW contacts and 459 Phone contacts. Congratulations to all.

### **PACKET UPDATE**

The Oakville KA-Node has been finished and operating out of VE3OGP's QTH awaiting final installation at the repeater site. It has a PBBS and will also operate as a digipeater. The Oakville LAN will operate on a frequency of 145.750 MHz.

Future plans include installing a KA-Node on the same frequency in the Milton area. These nodes will operate until full function nodes can be built and coordinated into a full packet system.

### **ON THE WEB**

W2IK has a series of web pages related to A.R.E.S., including his stories about the World Trade Center. There are some practical projects and ideas worth looking into.  
<http://hometown.aol.com/alonestaryank/webpages.html>

If you have any sites that you think might be of interest to other members just send me the link and I will put it in the newsletter.

### **INDUSTRY CANADA**

Industry Canada has introduced new regulations regarding '[Radio Communications and Broadcasting Antenna Systems](#)' (CPC-2-0-03 June 2007). These new regulations effect the Amateur Radio Service and are a MUST READ for all amateur radio operators. The official document release can be found online by visiting the [Industry Canada Website](#).

# **A.R.E.S. MEETING**

The following items were discussed at the July 28, 2007 meeting

Rick, VA3NV, started the meeting talking about Field Day and confirming the names of those who attended the event. He will include this information in his report to R.A.C. field services. Rick also mentioned a change in how R.A.C. will be providing A.R.E.S. I.D.'s.

This story was mentioned in the latest TCA.

Next item was a quick report on the Halton radio group meeting. Of interest was the appointment of Mr. Nick Buczynsky as the Regions Community Emergency Management Coordinator.

The topic of the annual Simulated Emergency Test (SET) was the third item. The Oakville A.R.E.S. group will be running our own, sometime in the fall. Certain goals will be required to be met, including passing messages via packet. The actual scenario and theater of operations for the SET has yet to be determined.

George, VE3OGP, reported that the KA-node for Oakville was ready to be installed at the repeater site. There was some discussion about future work on the packet system.

To end the meeting, future Public Service Events were discussed. At this time there is the possibility of a Half Marathon in Oakville on the Labor Day weekend and providing help during Hell night in October. More info on these and others as it becomes available.

## **\*\*\*REMINDERS\*\*\***

**NEXT MEETING IS SUNDAY SEPT. 9, 2007, 1-4 p.m.  
Red Cross, Oakville**

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PARTICIPATE!**

**"Vision without action is a daydream. Action without vision is a nightmare."  
JAPANESE PROVERB**