

# Interim Report of the HARC75 Anniversary Planning Committee

## *To the Executive and Membership of the Halifax Amateur Radio Club*

### January 2007 Executive and General Meeting

The first meeting of the HARC75 Anniversary Planning Committee was held on September 18, 2006 comprising of 8 members; Fraser (VE1WO), Gary (VE1RGB), Howard (VE1DHD), Scott (VE1QD), Bob (VE1PQ), John (VE1HMH), Tom (VE1GTC), Rob (VE1KS), Darryl (VE1HUP).

Over the past four months and five meetings we have had some very productive meetings and made significant progress in putting some meat on the bones of a beast of uncertain size and shape. The experience and background of each member has brought significant clarity to the planning process.

The Committee has been able to produce an outline of events, a time line, decide on a slogan, and identify resources and sub-committees required to make this event a success. Meetings were held at Bloomfield, members' homes and one business location.

The one thing that has continually been brought to the forefront is the fact that to make this a successful event will require the participation of every Club member in some way or another. We have been able to identify chairs for most committees but are still looking for a few more volunteers. Once we have all the chairs filled for the committees, there will be a need for others to work on these committees.

There are still challenges ahead of us. In the next month or so, decisions will need to be made regarding venue location, PR chair, advertising and interim funding.

But...it's all looking good! This will be an outstanding event for HARC in 2008. Other clubs are claiming to be 75 years old but HARC certainly can claim to be active *continually* over that span of years.

Activities are being considered that will include all family members, a DX Forum, a mega flea market, contests, prizes, banquets, socials, special speakers, exhibits and much more. And you can be part of all of this!

We are also realists. At every meeting we ask ourselves if we will be able to achieve our goals or do we need to change our plans based on the support we are receiving from the HARC membership. So far, so good...

Your Club Executive and HARC75 Planning Committee are excited about this opportunity to create an event that you will remember and be remembered for.

It is a party! You are all invited to help make it happen and enjoy the fruits of 75 years of communications and public service in the Halifax region.

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