

# RICHMOND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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### Richmond Amateur Radio Club Demonstrates Emergency Preparedness in Radio Communications at Annual Field Day Exercise

**Richmond, B.C. (June 3, 2013)** - The Richmond Amateur Radio Club (RARC) will be carrying out its annual Field Day exercise on June 22 at Garry Point Park in Richmond to perform emergency communication activities in a public environment.

Field Day is the most significant on-the-air event for RARC with more than 35,000 participating radio Amateurs from across Canada, the U.S. and around the world setting up radio stations in unusual locations to make contact with other Amateur Radio operators and demonstrate their emergency communications capabilities.

For RARC, the weekend event is an opportunity to:

- Demonstrate emergency communications using the club's own equipment
- Practice operating in field conditions under a less than optimal environment
- Participate in an international contest to make contact with as many stations as possible
- Promote the role of Amateur Radio in the community to the public

RARC plays an active role in emergency communications and providing communication support at local community events. Eddie Odette, president of RARC, comments that, "Every time the club participates in exercises like Field Day and other communication support activities makes RARC better prepared when the call to assist in emergency communication services is received."

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About RARC - The Richmond Amateur Radio Club is a registered BC Society to promote the interests of Amateur Radio, assist in the provision of communication services in the event of an emergency, and provide communications for public service events as requested. RARC is a member of the BC Provincial Emergency Program and supporter of Emergency Social Services with the City of Richmond. Programs for the club are partially funded by grants from the City of Richmond and BC Community Gaming. Additional information about RARC can be found at: [www.rarclub.ca](http://www.rarclub.ca)

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