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Richmond Amateur Radio Club to Carry Out Annual 'Field Day' Emergency Communications Exercise at Garry Point Park on June 27, 2015

Richmond, B.C. (June 8, 2015) - The Richmond Amateur Radio Club (RARC) will be carrying out its annual 'Field Day' exercise to practice emergency communications at Garry Point Park in Steveston on the weekend of June 28-29. Radio operations for the exercise will continue for a 24-hour period starting at 11 AM on Saturday and ending at 11 AM on Sunday.

'Field Day' is the most significant Amateur radio event of the year when RARC members join more than 35,000 other radio Amateurs from across Canada, the U.S. and around the world participating as individual hobbyists or with radio clubs and other emergency preparedness organizations to demonstrate their emergency radio communication capabilities.

For RARC, the weekend-long event is an opportunity for club members to set up radio station operations in an irregular location to not only make as many radio contact as possible with other Amateur radio operators but also:

- Demonstrate emergency radio communications using the club's own equipment,
- Practice operating in field conditions under a less than optimal environment, and
- Promote the role of Amateur radio in emergency communications to the general public

"Opportunities such as 'Field Day' enable members to become more familiar with the club's equipment and develop better practices and procedures in emergency communications," says Eric Scott, president of RARC. "It is through such exercises that our members become better prepared to provide radio communication support to local emergency programs when requested."

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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 Emergency Management BC and supporter of Emergency Programs with the City of Richmond. Programs for the club are partially funded by grants from the City of Richmond and Province of BC. Additional information about RARC is located at: www.rarclub.ca

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