

## **INFO RELEASE** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Richmond Amateur Radio Club Presents 'Discover Amateur Radio' Seminar for New Hams on November 26, 2016

**Richmond, B.C. (November 3, 2016)** – The Richmond Amateur Radio Club (RARC) will be presenting a day of info sessions and panel discussions for new hams and (non-licensed) individuals who are interested in learning more about Amateur radio. The informal seminar will take place on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at the Steveston Community Centre in Richmond at 4111 Moncton Street (near No. 1 Rd.) with sessions running from 9 AM to 4 PM.

The 'Discover Amateur Radio' seminar introduces participants to a broad range of topics in the world of Amateur radio with presentations by subject experts on activities that include ARDF (Amateur Radio Direction Finding, or fox hunting), SOTA (Summit on the Air), APRS (Automatic Packet Reporting System), ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) and SDR (Software Defined Radio). There will also be discussion panels on how to purchase your first (or second) radio, set up a radio station, antenna design and location, and radio operations practices.

RARC's decision to plan the 'Discover Amateur Radio' seminar is a direct response to radio course students asking, "What do we do now?" after receiving their Basic certificate. The information and knowledge from the sessions are to provide greater awareness of the many exciting activities and opportunities available in Amateur radio and stimulate interest in particular aspects of the hobby. Ongoing updates on the seminar will be posted at: **www.richmondarc.ca** 

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**About Richmond Amateur Radio Club** – RARC is a registered BC Society of volunteers 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 participant of Emergency Management BC, a supporter of City of Richmond Emergency Programs, and an affiliated club with Radio Amateurs of Canada. Programs for RARC are partially funded by grants from the City of Richmond and Province of BC. Additional information about RARC is located at: www.rarclub.ca

For questions about the 'Discover Amateur Radio' seminar or RARC, please contact:

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