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Richmond Amateur Radio Club to Host its First Swap Meet on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at South Arm United Church in Richmond, BC to coincide with 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge

Steveston, Richmond, B.C. (January 30, 2017) – The Richmond Amateur Radio Club (RARC) is proud to announce that it will host it's very first swap meet on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 9 AM to 1 PM at the South Arm United Church in Richmond (located at the southwest corner of Steveston Highway and No. 3 Road).

The date of the swap meet was specifically chosen to fall within the period of operations for VE100VIMY, a commemorative Amateur radio station operating from the Vimy site in France during the centenary ceremonies for the WW1 Battle of Vimy Ridge. Plans are to set up an Amateur radio station at the swap meet location so visitors can contact VE100VIMY.

Another special attraction planned for the swap meet is to have a display of emergency communications vehicles from local municipalities and Amateur radio organizations. This added value for the event is to show how Amateur radio plays a role in providing radio communications for emergency preparedness in the community.

Amateur radio events like the RARC swap meet bring together ham radio operators and like-minded enthusiasts to exchange Amateur radio, and related computer and electronics, equipment and information. This is an excellent venue for the public to discover the unique and interesting world of Amateur radio and meet hams from the local Amateur radio community.

More information and updates on the swap meet are posted at: www.richmondarc.ca

Details about VE100VIMY Commemorative Amateur Radio Special Event is located at: http://ve100vimy.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 on the club's Web site at: **www.rarclub.ca**

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