March 19th: Idea Thursday: Social Digitalizing (COVID Cyber Company)

Hello NCRA/ANREC Members

We know that this is a tough time with lots of you facing a critical, and highly stressful time at your stations and in your community. From what you've been telling us in the survey that we sent out, it's a tough time with very tough choices facing each of you.

We know that social distancing has closed many of the stations which are typically social hubs leaving many volunteers and staff at stations isolated. **You are not alone.**

So, we've got a couple of ideas.

New Mailing List to Raise Morale

Think of a great idea to raise people's spirits? We will be creating a new mailing to help boost morale! You can send things to LOLCOVID-list@ncra.ca, let us know if you want to join this morale-boosting thread. We will try to share the best mood-boosting material we find here. Let us know if you want in!

Collective Cyber Workplace

Also, the NCRA/ANREC will be sharing our Google Hangouts to help tackle social isolationism faced by the staff and volunteers at stations.

We will take in-turns to be online, and invite anyone who's feeling a little lonely or isolated to come and join us!

You can see the details here: To join the video meeting, click this link:

https://meet.google.com/xsb-pzps-qmz

Otherwise, to join by phone, dial +1 587-978-3370 and enter this PIN: 827 873 349# To view more phone numbers, click this link: https://tel.meet/xsb-pzps-qmz?hs=5

Let us know if you think a Facebook Group would be a good idea. We've seen some spring up, such as this group in Australia

There is also a link to "Chat with us" on the bottom right-hand side of the <u>members.ncra.ca</u> website which Barry is on, so if you have some questions or just want to say hi, he will respond on there as well!

We want to try to keep the main list just for important updates and for members to share with each other how they are responding to this crisis. But sometimes people need a release, we hope you will take advantage of these options we've created to help.

Yours

Luke,