



*Minutes of the 13th of June 2006
Meeting of the
Barrie Amateur Radio Club
held at Zehr's, Big Bay Point Rd.*

In attendance:

President	Wendy Ford	VA3WCF
Vice-President	Brad Ford	VE3SLI
Secretary	Harry Gauthier	VE3SXH
Director	Dave Wainwright	VE3ILA

Absent:

Treasurer	Rick Allen	VA3WSB
Director	Alain Veron	VA3PQF

Call to order - The meeting was called to order at 19:07 hrs by Wendy Ford VA3WCF.

Introductions – All those present introduced themselves.

Minutes of the last meeting - The minutes of the meeting on the 9th of May 2006 were read by Harry Gauthier VE3SXH. It was motioned by Brad Ford VE3SLI and seconded by Dave Wainwright VE3ILA that the minutes be accepted as read.

All were in favour.

Treasurer's Report - Rick Allen VA3WSB was not present. Wendy Ford VA3WCF received an email from Rick with his report. Wendy gave the Club's financial report as of the 31st of May 2006 (Attached). It was motioned by Ted Pino VA3TWT and seconded by Dave Wainwright VE3ILA that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented.

All were in favour.

ARES Report – Dave Wainwright VE3ILA reported on ARES. He had little to report but welcomed Ted Pino VA3TWT on board.

Hamfest Committee Report – Wendy Ford VA3WCF reported that plans are going along fine. Volunteers are needed. See Wendy. Next Hamfest Committee Meeting Thursday June 27th at Wendy's house. Wendy will send out an email to this effect. Wendy and Brad attended the Fergus Hamfest and handed out fliers for our Hamfest.

Field Day Committee Report – JP Leblanc VA3QN gave a report on the 2006 BARC Field Day progress. (attached) Reminder that the next planning meeting is at JP's house on the 15th June at 19:30 hrs.

Repeater Report – Brad Ford VE3SLI reported not much has been done with the repeater. He is looking around for radios and possible ways of raising the money to buy them. (i.e. Sell the old repeater for cash)

Website Report – Harry Gauthier VE3SXH reported that he had done routine maintenance and updates. Also check the main page in the blue area for all upcoming events.

Ride for Literacy Report – Wendy Ford VA3WCF received an email from the organizer of the Ride for Literacy. The date for this year is the 15th of July. There will be five checkpoints – Keswick High School, Bradford, Orillia, Brechin and Sutton.

Social Committee Report – Wendy Ford VA3WCF will be hosting a social get together, radio equipment swap shop and BBQ at her house on the 22 July. (Flier attached)

Celebrate Barrie – Alex McGuire VE3PKA reported that Celebrate Barrie was a wet day. She read a newspaper article from the McDermott family about their appreciation of the day. There were few people in attendance due to the weather. There were a few people dropped by and asked questions about Amateur Radio. Some children enjoyed themselves with the Morse code key.

Heritage Day – Alex McGuire VE3PKA reported that this event would be held in conjunction with the Simcoe County Plowing Match in August. The planning is still in the works and Alex had no info to give us. She will try to get more info for the next monthly meeting.

Dog Walk – Alex McGuire VE3PKA reported that the people organizing the walk did not have it together. It was poorly planned. The Hams did not have any problems and were able to answer questions. There were seven Hams present and all manned checkpoints (JP LeBlanc VA3QN was Net Control, Alex McGuire VE3PKA, Sy Mills VE3VDG, Brad Ford VE3SLI, Wendy Ford VA3WCF, Dave Wainwright VE3ILA and Keith Wainwright VE3KDW (Dave's son)). **NOTE:** Gear and connections should be checked before hand.

Fox Hunt – Al Duncan VE3RRD explained a bit about the Fox Hunt and asked if there was any way that we could increase interest in this event. Check the Club Web Page for more info.

Correspondence

Harry Gauthier VE3SXH informed the club that he had sent a check for \$25.00 to The Canadian National Institute for the Blind asking in support of Amateur Radio for the blind and visually impaired.

Harry Gauthier VE3SXH read a letter from the Brantford Amateur Radio Club announcing their Hamfest which will be held at the Burford Fairgrounds Saturday August 19th.

Harry Gauthier VE3SXH read a letter he received from the Simcoe County District School Board reimbursing us the fees we had paid to hold the Basic Amateur Radio Course. A check in the amount of \$101.65 will be given to Rick Allen to deposit at the bank.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the formal portion of the meeting was presented by JP Leblanc VA3QN at 20:00 hrs and was seconded by Alex McGuire VE3PKA.

All were in favour.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is on the 11th of July 2006.

Coffee and Cookie Break – During the break the 50/50 draw was conducted and the winner of \$6.75 was Harvey Taylor.

Presentation – Al Duncan VE3RRD gave a small presentation and handout (attached) on the W5GI Multiband Mystery Antenna.

Wendy thanked Al Duncan on behalf of the Barrie Amateur Radio Club.

The meeting was finished at 20:30 hrs.

List of Upcoming Events

June 24th & 25th 2006 – Field Day at the Oro Fair Grounds

July 15th 2006 – Ride for Literacy

August – Heritage Day – Oro Fair Grounds

September 9th 2006 – Hamfest at the Oro Fair Grounds