



*Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> October 2006 Meeting  
of the  
Barrie Amateur Radio Club  
held at Zehr's, Big Bay Point Rd.*

In attendance:

Secretary	Harry Gauthier	VE3SXH
Treasurer	Rick Allen	VA3WSB
Director	Dave Wainwright	VE3ILA

Absent:

President	Wendy Ford	VA3WCF
Vice President	Brad Ford	VE3SLI
Director	Alain Veron	VA3PQF

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Due to a work scheduled meeting, Wendy Ford VA3WCF (President) was not available to Chair the meeting. Also, Brad Ford VE3SLI (Vice-president) was out of town.

**Call to order** - The meeting was called to order at 19:15 hrs by Harry Gauthier VE3SXH.

**Introductions** – All those present introduced themselves.

**Minutes of the last meeting** - The minutes of the last meeting on the 12th September 2006 were read by Harry Gauthier VE3SXH. It was motioned by Alex McGuire VE3PKA and seconded by Dave Wainwright VE3ILA that the minutes be accepted as read. **All were in favour.**

**Treasurer's Report** - Rick Allen VA3WSB did not have the club financial report nor the financial report for the Hamfest. Rick reminded everyone that the dues for 2006 must be paid for a member to be entitled to vote for the new Executive for 2007.

**ARES Report** – Dave Wainwright VE3ILA reported that LSRA (Lake Simcoe Repeater Association) covers a large area. He also mentioned that the Executive has changed over and are eager to welcome new members (\$20.00 for the year). If you are interested in membership or more information talk to Dave.

**Hamfest Committee Report** – Wendy Ford VA3WCF sent a note to remind everyone that we will be looking for a new Hamfest Committee Chair for 2007.

**JOTA** – Harry Gauthier VE3SXH reminded everyone that Jamboree on the Air was coming up soon and that volunteers were needed to set up at the Family Resource Centre in Borden. Harry will contact JP Leblanc to see if he can help out again this year.

**Repeater Report** – No report tabled.

**Ride for Literacy Report** – Rick Allen VA3WSB gave a brief explanation of what this event entails, the joy it brings and how much it is appreciated. He also encouraged members to get involved next year.

**Social Committee Report** – Wendy Ford VA3WCF sent a note asking for volunteers to arrange the Annual Christmas Dinner. Alex McGuire VE3PKA volunteered to call and find a suitable place for the dinner.

**Website Report** – Harry Gauthier VE3SXH reported that he had posted pictures of the 2006 Hamfest.

**Oro Fair** - Alex McGuire VE3PKA gave a brief talk on the purpose of assisting at the Oro Fair with parking vehicles. She expressed her disappointment with the poor attendance of the Amateur Radio Club members and thought that maybe we could combine this event with an Amateur Radio Exercise of some sort (e.g. Emergency Communications). Alex would like to see more Hams participating.

**Correspondence** – None

**Old/New Business** –

**Announcement** – Wendy Ford VA3WCF will be stepping down as the Hamfest Chair and Brad Ford VE3SLI from the Hamfest Committee. They will also be stepping down from any Executive positions at the end of this year. They have been very active in the club over the past 10 years and both feel it is time for others to take their turn.

**Increasing Club Membership** – There was discussion as to how club membership could be increased. Several possibilities were suggested. We could focus on Emergency Services, the hobby aspect of Amateur Radio, having more social gatherings (eg. Saturday Breakfast), or working together with other local Amateur Clubs/Organizations to boost interest in the hobby.

**Elections** – Harry Gauthier VE3SXH will call the membership about the elections on the 14<sup>th</sup> November and ask if they are interested in running for a position and to please come out and vote for the 2007 Executive. A volunteer scrutinizer is also required for the elections (to count and check votes).

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn the formal part of the meeting was presented at 20:25 hrs by Scott Faichnie VE3ORT and seconded by Alex McGuire VE3PKA. All in attendance were in favour. The meeting was adjourned.

**Coffee and Cookie Break & 50/50 Draw** – There was no 50/50 Draw during the Coffee and Cookie Break.

**Presentation** – None (Harry had been asked to give a brief talk on his recent trip to Honduras for Sleeping Children Around the World but he did not have the presentation ready. He may do this at a later date.)

### **List of Upcoming Events**

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| <b><u>JOTA</u></b>             | October 2006 (Jamboree on the Air)                              |
| <b><u>Club Elections</u></b>   | 14 November 2006  |
| <b><u>Christmas Dinner</u></b> | December 2006 – place to be determined (In Lieu of Dec meeting) |