



*Minutes of the 8 May 2007 Meeting
of the
Barrie Amateur Radio Club
held at Zehr's, Big Bay Point Rd.*

In attendance:

President	Harry Gauthier	VE3SXH
Vice-President	Alex McGuire	VE3PKA
Secretary	Ian McCallum	VA3IDM
Director	Al Duncan	VE3RRD

Absent:

Treasurer	Rick Allen	VA3WSB
Director	Jack Hartley	VE3RDQ

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 1910 hrs by Harry Gauthier VE3SXH.

Introductions – All those present introduced themselves. There were 16 in attendance.

Minutes of the Last Meeting – It was motioned by Ted Pino VE3TWP and seconded by Alex McGuire VE3PKA that the minutes be accepted as read. **All were in favour.**

Treasurer's Report – Harry Gauthier VA3SXH presented the club financial report for March-April (attached). It was motioned by Ian McCallum VA3IDM and seconded by Dave Wainwright VE3ILA that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. **All were in favour.**

Correspondence – Letter from Jim O'Loan regarding free radio equipment.

Amateur Radio Course – The course is going well. The students participated in the Ontario QSO Contest to give them hands on and provide some practical training. There have been suggestions to lengthen the course next time it is run, as some segments are too long for one night.

Ontario QSO Contest – JP Leblanc VA3QN drafted a letter to submit our score of 15725 points which Harry Gauthier VE3SXH submitted and received an email confirming the entry.

ARES Report – Dave Wainwright VE3ILA encouraged folks to sign up. He had sign up sheets for LSRA and ARES.

Field Day Report – Harry Gauthier VE3SXH and Al Duncan VE3RRD will look after organizing the Field Day on the 23 and 24 June. Set up will be done starting 5pm on the 22 June. Alex has reserved the venue.

Hamfest Committee Report – Planned for Oro World’s Fair for Sept 8. Ian Snow asked if it would be ok to hold the LSRA meeting around lunch time during the Hamfest as this may encourage participation in the Hamfest. All members were in favour of this as long as it did not interfere with the operation of the Hamfest.

Repeater Report – There were some concerns about whether the repeater is still in good working order, but it is still operating. There was some discussion on whether the repeater should be moved or updated. There was also discussion on changing frequency to avoid interference.

Website Report – Updated as required.

Ride for Literacy Report – No report tabled.

Social Committee Report – No report tabled.

JOTA – Coming up in October. It is the 50th anniversary of JOTA and the 100th anniversary of Scouting. Harry is looking into how we can participate this year.

Old Business

- TNC device agreed at last meeting was not purchased since Harry didn’t have Pay Pal account. Al Duncan VE3RRD will purchase and get reimbursed by the club.
- WNYSORC – cheque has been sent. Waiting for receipt
- CANWARN – training in Orillia – Dave Wainwright gave thumbs up
- Wolf’s Den Archery Contest – backed out due to lack of interest
- Walk for Dog Guides – Raising funds for dog training – we’ve done this for 5 or 6 years – humane society also participates same day – if enough volunteers (4 + 3), we can support both, but Dog Guides takes priority. May 27.

New Business –

- Dave Wainwright VE3ILA motioned that BARC should donate an amount not to exceed \$600 to ARES for purchasing a Comet GP-98 antenna (\$300) and diamond MX3000 triplexer (\$140). Harry made the suggestion that BARC get some recognition from the hospital. Ian McCallum VA3IDM seconded the motion. **All were in favour.**
- Al Duncan made a motion to MFJ 269 antenna analyzer with a case not to exceed \$500 before taxes. Seconded by Harry. **All were in favour.**

Coffee and Cookie Break & 50/50 Draw – The winner of the 50/50 Draw during the Coffee and Cookie Break was Harry in the amount of \$11.50.

Presentation – Al Duncan presented Fox Hunts - 146.565 and 439.695 - 3rd harmonic. Deb's Place Breakfast at 8AM. 352 Huronia Road.

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the formal part of the meeting was presented at 2050 hrs by JP LeBlanc and seconded by Ian Snow. **All in attendance were in favour.**

The meeting was adjourned.

List of Upcoming Events

Fox Hunts (hidden transmitter hunts) – Monthly – Starting 12 May 2007

Walk for Dog Guides – 27 May 2007 at Centennial Park Barrie

Celebrate Barrie – June 2007 at Centennial Park Barrie

Field Day – 23 & 24 June 2007 at Oro Fair Grounds

Ride for Literacy – July 2007 5 checkpoints around Lake Simcoe

Heritage Day – August 2007 at Oro Fair Grounds

Wolf's Den Archery Contest – August 2007

Hamfest – 8 September 2007 at Oro Fair Grounds

Oro World Fair – September 2007 at Oro Fair Grounds

Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) – 20 & 21 October 2007 (50th) at Borden Family Resource Centre

BARC Elections – 13 November 2007 at Zehr's Big Bay Point Road

Annual Christmas Dinner – December 2007 at a place yet to be determined

Guides On The Air (GOTA) – February 2008 at Borden Family Resource Centre

Basic Amateur Radio Course – February/March 2008 at Barrie Central Collegiate

Ontario QSO Contest – April 2008