



*Minutes of the 08 July 2008  
Monthly Meeting  
of the  
Barrie Amateur Radio Club  
held at Zehr's, Big Bay Point Rd.*

President	Alex McGuire	VE3PKA
Vice-President	Jim Collins	VE3LIC
Treasurer	Rick Allen	VA3WSB
Secretary	Mary Adams	VA3MIZ
Membership	Darwin Duckworth	VA3DUC
Director	Jack Hartley	VE3RDQ
Director	Al Duncan	VE3RRD

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**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1905 hrs by Alex McGuire VE3PKA.

**Introductions**

All those present introduced themselves. There were 18 in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report**

Rick Allen VA3WSB presented the club financial report for June. Motion to accept by Len Morris VA3LM and seconded by Pat Barrett VE3RNH.

**Correspondence** - No correspondence at this time.

**Committee Reports**

**ARES** – No developments.

**LSR Update** –Len Morris VA3LM reported that the two new VHF repeaters are at the site and seem to be working well.

**Field Day** – Ian Snow VA3QT and Al Duncan VE3RRD reported that all went well and the scores were 1190 bonus points and 1190 points for contacts made, giving us a final score of 2380. Alex McGuire VE3PKA also mentioned that she had received an e-mail from Orillia in appreciation for inviting them.

**Hamfest** - This is our next official event and will be held on August 9, 2008 and we are hoping to have a Hamfest committee meeting on the first Wednesday in August. Alex is trying to confirm with Greg that his QTH is available for this function.

**Ride for Literacy** - Rick Allen VA3WSB requested volunteers for this ride which takes place on July 19, 2008.

**JOTA** - Ian Snow VA3QT said that we are looking at the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in October and Alex McGuire VE3PKA has made arrangements for this event to be held at the Oro Fairgrounds. We are anticipating that there will be approximately 100 – 110 scouts attending along with their leaders. There will be 8 groups of scouts and 5 different projects which they will rotate through. Volunteers will be needed and this will be discussed in more detail at the September general meeting.

### **Amateur Radio Course**

Alex McGuire VE3PKA told us that although we are still looking for a free-of-charge venue for the course, we are looking at a start date of October 2<sup>nd</sup>. She has had a discussion with the Red Cross and we may be able to have one of their rooms, however they must have a staff member present. If we can find another place which would suit us, it would probably be better. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

### **Old Business**

**Safety Deposit Box** - Alex McGuire VE3PKA reported that the Safety Deposit Box has been opened, but unfortunately some of the documents she was hoping to find were missing, however, there is a microfiche and a 3 ½ inch floppy which should provide the information needed to apply for RAC Insurance. The receipt for the GIC was also found in the box.

**Letters of Incorporation and Seal** – It was suggested by Jack Hartley VE3RDQ that in regards to the Letters of Incorporation and Seal which are missing, a letter should be sent out to all former Executive members asking them whether they might know where these are. Pat Barrett VE3RNH mentioned that when she was Secretary she turned these items over to Harry Gauthier VE3SXH. Alex will ask Harry if he could look for these.

### **New Business**

**Antenna** – Al Duncan VE3RRD asked if the Club would look at the possibility of purchasing a HF portable antenna and various accessories to be used for not only helping us demonstrate amateur radio, but for emergency response also. The total cost for all of

this equipment would be \$307.23. Len Morris VA3LM motioned to accept to purchase this and this was seconded by Pat Barrett VE3RNH.

**Gas money for Ian Snow -** Alex McGuire VE3PKA said that the club will be giving Ian Snow VA3QT \$20.00 for gas for all of the running around which he did for our Field Day.

**Coffee and Cake Break/ 50/50 draw –** Al Duncan VE3RRD was the winner of the 50/50 draw and he took home \$11.00.

**Guest Speaker** – Mike Kassay VE3MKX gave a very interesting talk and display on making Ham radio fun.

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was presented at 20:439hrs by Mary Adams VA3MIZ and seconded by Pat Barrett VE3RNH. All in attendance were in favour.

### **List of Upcoming Events**

**Fox Hunts (hidden transmitter hunts)** – on hold until further notice  
**Ride for Literacy** – July 19, 2008 - 5 checkpoints around Lake Simcoe  
**Heritage Day** – August 9, 2008 at Oro Fair Grounds  
**Hamfest** – September 6, 2008 at Oro Fair Grounds  
**Oro World Fair** – September 13/14, 2008 at Oro Fair Grounds  
**JOTA** – October 18/19, 2008  
**Walk for Dog Guides** – May 2009 at Centennial Park Barrie  
**Celebrate Barrie** – June 2009 at Centennial Park Barrie

**\*Volunteers are needed for all the above events\***