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Lakehead Amateur Radio Club

The inaugural meeting of the Lakehead Amateur Radio Club for 1966/67 was held Thursday evening, September 8, in the Fort William Civil Defence Building on Waterloo St. Twenty amateurs, associates and visitors attended.

The meeting was chaired by Club President Doc Tarnow - VE3FSE.

Previous to this meeting, Secretary-Treasurer Ernie Withers - VE3EFO submitted his resignation. Ernie's company has transferred him to British Columbia. The Executive has therefore asked Bob Browning - VE3EEM to take over the post and duties. Ernie will be missed here at the Lakehead.

The matter of the Bach Simpson (meter) was brought up by Jim Symonik - VE3EDA, and he stated that Paul Werk, the Planning Officer for E.M.O. would like to see the meter replaced by the end of the year, and if a new one could not be obtained, then a second hand one would do. This matter was shelved for discussion at a future meeting.

Another bill has been received from the catering firm for the past banquet, and after a brief discussion Doc Tarnow - VE3FSE suggested that it might be better if he had a talk with (the owner) on the matter and this item was left as is for the time being.

It was brought to the attention of the Club that there are unauthorized persons making use of the facilities of VE3ZCD and it appears that they are tampering with the radio gear, especially the transmitter. The result has been that the final has been damaged. This transmitter is our responsibility and will be up to the club to make the necessary repairs. Some action is planned to provide better security of the building and to place a lock on the equipment, with only Club members having keys.

Operating aids obtained from A.R.R.L. were distributed to those present to assist them in operation of their stations and portions of the A.R.R.L. Campaign Kit were passed out to promote membership in this worthwhile organization. Applications for membership may be obtained from your Club Secretary. We also have forms on hand for subscriptions to 73 Magazine with a kickback to the Club of seventy-five cents per subscription for a minimum of ten subscriptions.

A request from the Lakehead Flying Club for a portable station to be operated on Sunday, September 18 was brought to our attention. This however did not receive much enthusiastic response and there were no volunteers for either operators or equipment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm and the members proceeded to the homes of Les Harris - VE3AYZ, Jack Read - VE3ECG, Bill Klemacki - VE3EEW and Robert Browning - VE3EEM to have a look at their equipment and try the gear out.

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This was a very interesting evening and no members were lost along the way. A vote of thanks goes to these hams for allowing us the privilege of visiting with them and picking up some of their ideas. It is hoped that other shacks can be visited later on in the year.

A reminder to the members and prospective members that the annual Club dues is now due and your contribution would be appreciated.

The signing authority for the Lakehead Amateur Radio Club Savings Account NP 156, Imperial Bank, Port Arthur has been changed to that of the new Executive as of September 9.

The balance remaining in this account as of September 9 is \$72.18.

There is still to be deposited in the present form of petty cash the sum of \$13.83 giving a total cash on hand of \$86.01.

Signed:

Errol (Doc) Tarnow - VE3FSE
President

Robert Browning - VE3EEM
Secretary Treasurer