

29 May 1956

Lakehead Amateur Radio Club

The monthly meeting for May was held in the Civil Defence Room of the Fort William Police Department on the 29th. President Pat O'Shea - VE3FW in the Chair.

Following a roll call of sixteen members, the minutes of the previous meeting were read. These were adopted on motion of George Lord - VE3BYG, seconded by J. C. (Jim) Bailey - VE3DGZ. This was followed by a reading of the Executive meeting held May 24th. These were adopted as read on motion of Peter Boyle - VE3DPJ with Hec Boyle as seconder.

The chief topic for discussion was the coming Field Day. We will be taking advantage of the generous offer of Bill Roberts - VE3ARN to use his camp at Silver Islet. An advance party consisting of J. C. (Jim) Bailey - VE3DGZ, George Lord - VE3BYG and one or two others, will arrive on the site before noon Saturday and proceed to set up sets and aerials, etc. The majority of other members will be on hand for the commencement of the Field Day proper by the schedule time of 4 pm. Ten members indicated that they will be present. The power supply, sets to be used, transportation of same to be finalized at the next meeting.

A Financial Statement was read by the Secretary-Treasurer indicating a cash balance of \$172.63. This was approved on motion of Hec Wilson - VE3DMZ, seconded by Al Fulton - VE3AKI.

Following a brief discussion of the proposed joint picnic at Grand Marais, it was moved by Les Harris - VE3AYZ that a delegation of two or three members proceed to Grand Marais on June 9th to meet with Doc Smith and Milt Landrin and finalize details. This move was seconded by J. C. (Jim) Bailey - VE3DGZ and carried.

A suggestion was made by George Lord - VE3BYG that when used equipment is sold through the medium of the Club Bulletin, a commission of 5% or 10% be collected. There was some discussion on this but no decision made.

A second proposal made by George Lord - VE3BYG suggested an album be secured for the purpose of preserving pictures, news clippings, etc., of the Club activities. This proposal was put in the form of a motion which was seconded by Harry Stephens - VE3AIT. Subsequent discussion dealt with unnecessary expenditures at a time when all Club funds were required for the Club House. Harry Stephens - VE3AIT said he would donate a book suitable for a Log Book of Club activities and Al Fulton - VE3AKI said he would donate a Photo album. The original motion for the purchase of these books was then cancelled. It was suggested that Les Harris - VE3AYZ be placed in charge of these records.

Steve Bush - VE3EBS said a few words on the importance of every Club member taking a more active part in the Club. He did not think a member was worthy of the name unless he fully supported the aims and objectives of the Club whenever called upon. Steve concluded his remarks with a suggestion of making use of local Credit Unions to increase Club Funds.

This concluded the business session of the meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Les Harris - VE3AYZ seconded by J. C. (Jim) Bailey - VE3DGZ.

The Chairman then turned the meeting over to Les Harris - VE3AYZ who spoke on Radio activities at the local airport. This proved to be very enlightening and interesting talk on the various branches of the Department of Transport's work - with some details regarding the securing and broadcasting of meteorological data, the Instrument Landing System, Radio Beacons and Air Traffic Control.

Signed:

Frank Start - VE3AJ
President