

**The Contoocook Valley Radio Club  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
May 8, 2001**

Vice President Dale Clement, AF1T, called the meeting to order at 7:28 P.M. at the Hopkinton Library site.

Twenty-three (23) members and guests were in attendance. The non-hams guests were Nick French and Mark Weber. Paul Gifford of Hollis, K1NL, and Mike Dawson, of Derry, KD1UC came to take part in the program

**Program - Fox Hunting**

Paul Gifford of Hollis, K1NL, Mike Dawson, of Derry, KD1UC, and Ken Wilkens, K1MID took part in a forum concerning Fox Hunting. Many facets of the topic were very interestingly covered. Mike passed along a reference book entitled "Antenna Fox Hunts" with an ISP # of 0830627014 and he talked about his home made antennas used in his fox hunting experiences. Paul related many stories about fox hunting on 10 meters and Ken demonstrated various configurations that he used in the past while doing the hunts and related some of the more memorable hunts that he participated in. After the program there was a 25-minute break.

**Business Meeting**

Dale Called the meeting back to order at 8:57.

1. The members voted on having a picnic this year instead of the boat ride usually held in July. The Picnic will be Sunday Afternoon July 15 and it will include a foxhunt on foot. Ken, K1MID, will look into reserving a site at the Elm Brook Park.
2. Dave Connors, K1KTP, volunteered to look into the purchase of a screen house for Field Day use. For about \$200, he can pick one up.
3. Business meeting site for May 22 will be The Legion's Hall in Warner, exit 8.
4. Field Day: Location, same as last year. 7 members in attendance said that they would participate. It was suggested that the rules could be read or downloaded from the ARRL site on the WEB.
5. Tim Firkowski, KB9DGP and Jerry Blanchard, K1BBQ, have volunteered to co-chair the Field Day activities. Steve Ingham, N1HXO, will provide one generator and it was suggested that Jason Greene, N1IIC, would again be involved with the computers for logging.
6. Club Repeater. It seems that the repeater is in need of battery maintenance. Scott Clay, N1ZGO, will get in touch with the repeater trustee, Jack Sheehy, W1JS, about this matter.
7. Al Marin, K1CYJ, will provide the refreshments for the June meeting.
8. Meeting adjourned at 9:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Marin, K1CYJ, secretary