

Mr. Len Collis, chairman of the Hobby Group Centennial Committee spoke on plans for 1967 and offered suggestions for our participation.

The Club's display in the Kitchener Library was appreciated by many patrons and resulted in considerable interest with numerous calls to members of the Executive.

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Prof. Stuart Harris then give a talk on Identification of Minerals, illustrating his points with actual specimens and hardness sets for practice by those attending.

Various means are available for identification:

- Simple physical properties,
- Crystal form,
- Testing chemical properties and composition,
- X-Ray study of atomic structure,
- Microscopic examination.

The first of these means was then examined in greater detail. While not as good, or as exact, as other methods, identification by physical properties is essential for field work since it requires no complex apparatus.

- Unchanging properties -
- hardness
 - tenacity
 - cleavage
 - double refraction
 - fracture
 - streak
 - specific gravity

- Variable properties -
- colour
 - transmission of light
 - lustre

The subject was given first class treatment by Prof. Harris and we extend our thanks.

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WELCOME to the following new members.

Mr. P. E. Fisher	209 Mary Street, Waterloo
Mr. J. Gauley	244 Erb Street East, Waterloo
Kim MacFarlane	Address required
Chris Rigby	64 William Street West, Waterloo
Dr. B. J. Schumm	16 Laurel Street West, Waterloo
Bradley Vannatter	149 Bedford Road, Kitchener

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The field trip held on Saturday, April 23 attracted 24. The rain held off in the collecting areas at Wiarton where both light yellow and deep red-brown sphalerite were found, and at Craig Leith where fossil hunters split the grey shale for specimens until the cold breezes from Georgian Bay forced a halt.