These are the minutes for the YORKVIS meeting for May 1996 which took place on Friday May 10th.

The theme was to go over and debrief on ARVO events.

There will be no YORKVIS on the first Friday of June but there will be extraordinary YORKVIS meetings around 25th June (AJ Van Opstal, Catholic University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands) and 5th July (AT Smith, Royal Holloway College, London Univ.). Details closer to the time.

Plans are afoot to put these minutes on the WWW. Details follow.

There is a school joke: "A person is taken to a meeting of The Toronto Humour Society and is surprised by what they find. The form of the meeting is that one person stands up and says a number, such as 45 and the rest of the room giggles politely. "Why are they laughing?", our guest asks. "They know these jokes so well that they just refer to them by number" the visitor is told. "Oh, I see. Can I try one?" the guest asks. At an appropriate time the visitor stands up and says "296". Everyone laughs uproariously. There is much mirth with people rolling in the aisles. "What happened?" the visitor inquires. "They hadn't heard that one before!"

The abstracts we selected to discuss were:

- 5247 and 14 "subthresholds and VEPs"
- 859, 5183 and 3015 "perception and learning; cueing, pop out"
- 787, 2016, 1988 and 2397 "eye movements, pulleys, saccadic suppression"
- 2064, 2359, 2066 "heading"
- 978, 979 "attention, preattention"

Themes that we sort of identified were: subthreshold summations and subliminal perceptions.

It was a very enjoyable meeting, with spin offs into personal recollections about JJ Gibson and such. We will definitely do this again after appropriate meetings.