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BELLEVILLE RC FLYER'S INVITATIONAL FOR THE EASTSIDE RC CLUB



August Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Club President Dave Fannin at the flight field on Tuesday, 12 August, 2014 at 7:01 pm. There were 14 members present. The President called for a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as outlined in the July Newsletter. The motion was seconded and passed by the membership.

Club Operation Reports

TREASURER: Club Treasurer Dan Arens reported on the Club's financial status. Currently, we have 46 active dues paying members and 16 who have not paid to the end of the calendar year. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. The attending members passed the Treasurer's Report as read.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

FIELD MAINTENANCE: Many thanks to George Hoff our Field Manager and Jeffrey Wehrle our mowing man for getting the field into top condition for our Invitational Fly-in. There was discussion on the mowing of the field and since we are over budget for the mowing operation, Jeffrey was asked to cut his mowing schedule back to once a week unless there is a special need. This will help bring our budget for mowing back under control. Also, a round of applause for Larry Kreissler in procuring and hauling a load of chips for our shed. Thanks also to Ray Teliczan for helping Larry spread the chips. Guys, the shed really looks great and we appreciate the effort.

SAFETY: Our Club has a governing rule that there will be no more than six RC pilots flying their aircraft at one time. As you can imagine, six RC aircraft in the air at the same time pretty well saturates the airspace above our flying field. This means that it is imperative that the pilots on the flight line must talk to each other to prevent mid-air collisions and bodily harm to pilots waiting to fly and to spectators. Regardless of the number flying, pilots must keep each other informed of their intentions...never go out onto the flight field to retrieve an aircraft without telling all on the line your intentions. Same is true for entering the pattern for landings, touch-n-goes and for take-offs. Also, flying your model low and at break neck speed might be exhilarating for you but it worries the heck out of on-lookers...if you are compelled to "break the speed of sound" do it along the Northern side of the flying field, well away from spectators. When you do a low fly-by along the edge of the flight line fences, it only takes a flick of a finger or an electronic system malfunction to kill someone. Remember we have a no fly zone and stay out of it.

We all know the danger to our fingers in getting nicked by a rotating prop especially the electric variety which are so very sharp on the edges. Club member Larry Kreissler mentioned the dangers of Exacto knives and other sharp tools as we build and work on our RC models, he recently suffered a severe cut to two of his fingers from a sharp Exacto blade which required a number of stitches.

TRAINING: Dan Arens has used his LT-40 trainer equipped with an FMA Co-pilot to introduce a number of new Club members to the fun of flying RC. The device is a great aid in that it adds another measure of safety in the learning process.

WEB PAGE: Web Master Bill Eischeid has been away from home with his work, putting extra stress on his efforts with the web page. None the less he has been able to up-date the Photo files on member's photos and Club activities. Good effort Bill.

OLD BUSINESS: The Invitational Fly-in for the East Side RC Club members on Saturday, 9 August went very well. Five "East Siders" joined us for the cook-out and flying and twenty-five of our own Club members joined in on the festivities. A good time was had by all and many thanks to all of those who helped put the act together.

NEW BUSINESS: 1) Time to start planning for the 2015 Swap Meet and all that requires...site, advertising and event preparations.

2) Since we have just completed our last annual programmed event, there was discussion on the possibility of hosting another Club event in late September (27th) or early October (4th).

3) As everyone knows, winter events are difficult at the flying field because of the cold winds prevalent at that time of the year. \$50 dollars was authorized for the purchase of some kind of tarp and securing clamps that would offer protection to our field shed and make winter activities more available. Gary Luttrell has offered to take on the project and will purchase and store the device.

NEW MEMBERS: The Club is proud to have inducted two new Club members: Harold Volcker and Wayne Sturgeon. It was nice to see you both at our Invitational Fly-in and we hope you enjoy your membership in the Club to the maximum. Welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Many thanks to Darwin Evelsizer for taking meeting notes for the "tardy" Club Secretary.

ATTENDANCE PRIZE: The 50/50 challenge was won by none other than Jeff Paul who was kind enough to commit his earnings to the Club treasury...many thanks Jeff.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held at our flight field on the 2nd Tuesday, September 9th at 7 pm. Hope to see you there.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:25 pm

For those of you who are delinquent in paying your dues...here's the deal: the old system for payment of dues was set up on a fiscal basis. That meant that dues were paid from one July through thirty June. The Club has voted to change that schedule so that it would coincide with the AMA's dues structure. As you know the AMA requires dues to be paid from one January through thirty-one December. For our delinquent members here's the dilemma...you were delinquent when you failed to re-up your membership at the end of June. This means, to get yourself square with God and the Club you have to renew your dues now and from a legality stand point you're no longer able to participate in any flight activities or Club functions until you do so. To remedy the situation, pay our Treasurer twenty-five dollars to cover you until the end of December...at that point, to remain a solvent member of the Club, you must pay both the AMA and the Club the required amount of dues.

SO YOU WANT TO FLY A REALLY BIG GIANT SCALE RC AIRCRAFT...CHECK OUT THE NAVY'S TDN-1

Built in 1943 as a drone
bomber with a wingspan of
48 ft, length of 43 ft. and
equipped with (2) Lycoming
250 hp air cooled engines

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-MzxIkr5J00>

