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MRCMC General Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: May 6, 2015

Members Present: Luther Bitler, Ron Brewer, Jim Clark, Karl Eckerle, John Fabinski, Mike Fjerstad, Greg Gavit, Jerry Hahnfeld, Bob Hill, Al, Klashak, Steve Linley, Mark Nentwig, Mike Nentwig, Ray Ruzsala, Milt Strom, Bob Thompson, Jim Whitehead, Jim Whiteside, Brad Wolfgang, Don Zahm, Steve Zahm.

Visitors Present: Brent Resbow (spelling?) and Brent Coyne.

Mike Fjerstad called the meeting to order at 7:30PM

1. Minutes from last month's general membership meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter.
2. The treasurer's report was given and accepted. The expenses from last month were disclosed. There were expenses for tractor maintenance, insurance, Consumers Energy and the porta-john company.
3. There were two visitors at this month's meeting. One of them was in the club years ago and is rejoining. The other is a new member and already has a plane ready to fly.
4. Mike Fjerstad discussed the bus trip to the Toledo trade show. Several club members went on the trip. Power was lost at the Seagate Center where the show was held, so it was rather dark there for most of the day.
5. The field cleanup went well. There was a good turnout of people to help.
6. The runway still needs to be patched and the pavilion needs to be painted. There is another work party on Saturday, May 16th to tackle these projects. If you'd like to help paint, bring a paintbrush. The club will purchase the paint for the pavilion and patch material for the runway.
7. Club members are asked to consider signing up to mow the field sometime this season. The signup schedule is posted on a calendar in the garage at the field. If someone wants to mow, but hasn't run the mowers before, they should get with Karl Eckerle, or someone else familiar with the operation of the mowers.
8. Monday evening flight instruction has started. Karl Eckerle, Bob Thompson and Jerry Hahnfeld are flight instructors.
9. Brad Wolfgang discussed the EAA pancake breakfast. Several club members were there to help the EAA with their breakfast. We have an agreement with the EAA that we help them with their pancake breakfasts and they allow us to use their education center for our monthly meetings. The breakfast was very successful. They had 77 planes fly in for the event and they fed well over 500 people.
10. The calendar of events was discussed:
 - May 9 Float Fly at Jerry Hahnfeld's cabin in Mecosta.
 - May 16 Work party at field from 9:00-12:00 to patch runway and paint
 - June 13 Electric fly event at MRCMC field
 - July 11 Mid-Michigan Fun fly hosted by the Holly cloud hoppers
 - Aug 16 Club Picnic
 - Sept 12 Swap meet at club field
 - Sept 13 Club airshow
11. Jerry Hahnfeld announced that former club member, Del Phillips, is selling his R/C equipment. He has several planes and other equipment that he wants to sell. If someone is interested, they should contact Jerry Hahnfeld who will put them in touch with Del.
12. Bob Thompson gave a safety talk to club members. An annual safety discussion is a requirement for the club to maintain gold leader club status. This talk resulted in a good group discussion. Many items were discussed and some key points are listed below.
 - Always fly to the north of the runway.
 - Always stand behind the airplane while making adjustments to the engine.

- Spectators should not be in the pit area.
- Watch out for children; make sure they are supervised by their parents.
- People should feel free to intervene if they see someone doing something unsafe.
- Always perform a pre-flight inspection on your plane.
- For glow/gas powered planes, make sure the receiver batteries are in good condition and fully charged.
- Be aware of electric planes while working on them. They can start up unexpectedly if turned on and the throttle stick is bumped.
- It is a good idea to lightly sand the leading edge of plastic props to remove the sharp flashing.
- Wear hearing protection around engines and put on sunscreen while at the field.
- Be careful of hobby knives while working on planes.

13. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20

Minutes respectfully submitted by Greg Gavit on May 7, 2015.

Interesting We sites:

You are out on a deep sea fishing boat, going about 13mph when a sea lion comes up behind the boat and asks " Arf-arf ... can I come aboard?"

http://www.kladblog.com/embed_flv.asp?id=http://youtu.be/ErzYulC6gB0

On a golf green in Canada. Note the others in the background; probably why nobody was asking to play through...

<http://www.chonday.com/Videos/baybearcigolf2>