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## COMING EVENTS

**Feb. 3rd Annual Banquet/Meeting at Shirlene's at 6:00 P.M.**

### MRCMC General Membership Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Jan 6, 2009

**Members Present:** Luther Bitler, Gary Brookhouse, Jim Clark, Bob Ebach, Karl Eckerle, Mike Fjerstad, Greg Gavit, Martyn Griffin, Jerry Hahnfeld, Steve Linley, Jim MacRae, John Poma, Ray Ruzsala, Milt Strom, Gene Thompson, Ron Wiles, Chad Winslow, Leroy Wituck, Brad Wolfgang, Don Zahm, Paul Pomnichowski.

**Visitors Present:** Lori Thompson

Brad Wolfgang called the meeting to order at 7:30PM

1. Minutes from last months meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter.
2. The treasurer's report was given and accepted.
3. Dues for 2010 are past due.
4. Karl has club hats and tee shirts for sale. Hats are \$8 each; tee shirts are \$10-\$12 depending on size.
5. There were no visitors introduced at the meeting.
6. There are no new updates on the Dow land management program.
7. Brad passed out a survey to the people who were not at last months meeting. Brad put together this survey in an effort to get feedback from club members.
8. The purchase of a video projector was discussed. Brad would like the club to acquire a unit. The board is investigating different options.
9. Jerry Hahnfeld discussed the snow fly scheduled for this Saturday beginning at 11:00 and lasting until 1:00 or 2:00. Milt will bring a pot of coffee and Jerry will bring Chili.
10. Karl discussed the banquet scheduled for February 3<sup>rd</sup> at Shirlene's cuisine in Midland. The dinner will start at 7:00 with a cash bar at 6:00. The cost will be \$18 per plate. The cost includes meal, tax, tip and a non-alcoholic beverage.
11. Karl discussed the Hemmiter Hobby fair which will take place on Saturday January 30<sup>th</sup> at Hemmiter elementary school. This is an event put on by the school to introduce students to various hobbies. Our club has been asked to participate again this year by the principal of the school, who is a former club member. Jerry and Karl will represent the club by setting up a static display and discuss the hobby with the students. Setup will begin at 8:00 with the event running from 10:00 – 2:00. Contact Jerry or Karl if interested in participating.
12. The next SVSU indoor fly will take place on February 21<sup>st</sup>. The dates are on the website.
13. The 2010 calendar of events was discussed.
  - Jan 9 – Snow Fly – Jerry H. to chair event
  - Jan 30 – Hemmiter hobby fair – Jerry and Karl to run event
  - Feb 3 – Banquette – Brad W. and Karl E. to chair event
  - April 16-18 – Mall show – Mike F. and Bob T. to chair event.

- May 1 – Spring cleanup at field – need someone to chair this
  - May 8 – Spring float fly at Stratford park – Milt S. to chair event
  - June 12 – Electric fly – Craig and Ron Wiles will co-chair event.
  - Sept 11 – Swap meet at field – Gordon McCann will chair event
  - Sept 12 – MRCMC air show – Bob T.-coordinator, Jerry H - CD
  - Sept 25 – Fall float fly at Stratford park – Milt S. to chair event
14. Jerry suggested we should have a person to run some fun fly events during the summer. Chad Winslow volunteered to run at least one fun fly during the summer.
15. A motion was made and accepted to adjourn the meeting at 7:55.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Greg Gavit on 1-08-10

## **2010 Snow Fly Report**

It may have been one of the coldest days of the winter, but Saturday, January 9 was a beautiful day for flying. After receiving about four inches of new snow on Thursday, Saturday turned out sunny and calm. The fluffy new snow made landing an adventure with lots of nose-overs, but provided a beautiful setting and a nice surface for take-offs.

We had about eighteen people and more than a dozen planes. Most of the planes were on skis, but there were also floats and a few park flyers that could be landed on their bellies. There was a wide variety of skis with some store-bought and some home-made. All of them seemed to work fine and there were no major mishaps due to ski failures. Almost all of the flyers were successful getting their planes started and off the ground. Pre warming the engines with heat guns seemed to really help with starting. (Isn't it great to have electricity at the field! Unfortunately, three of the planes had "adventurous" landings but all should be repairable. Most of the planes required significant elevator trim (leading to at least one crash) but there were plenty of people to help the pilots get their plane to fly straight and level. There were also many styles of planes, from foamies to trainers, to low wings, to EDFs to fun fly planes to 3D planes. It was really amazing that all of these flew reasonably well on floats.

Steve Linley had his video camera to record the action and I was able to try out my new on-board video camera on my "Hawkeye" Fazer. I can tell you the the video I got is pretty wild. I'm sure you will have opportunities to see some of each. (Watch the web site!)

We also had hot coffee, hot chocolate and three kinds of chili in the storage building. Thanks to all of you who help out and all of you who participated. This is my favorite event of the year due to the excitement of finally flying outdoors and the cooperation between the members to get the planes into the air. Those of you who were unable to attend missed a good time. Get some skis so you can join the action next year.

Jerry Hahnfeld

At the meeting Jerry Hahnfeld brought his "Hawkeye" Frazer to show us the video camera and the mounting system he had on his plane.

Sorry about the quality of the picture but can see the mount and his skis.

Gene Thompson gave an excellent show and tell on building a foam composite construction. Pictured are examples of wing and tail section from two different planes



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