



Kitsap Aircraft Radio Control Society

Meeting Minutes

March 13th, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Visitors: None

New Members: None

Treasurer report: Read and Accepted.

February minutes: Read and Accepted.

Safety Committee: No report.

Field Maintenance:

There four scheduled work parties will be held in the afternoon. Gravel will be spread on the road. There is already some on-site, although more may be needed.

Bud commented that he has a DR Trimmer with a brush blade available.
Discussion ensued.

Repairing the canopy was discussed. Apparently, Gary at (the former) Discount Hobbies store acquired the current canopy. Bruce suggested that it might make more sense to purchase a new one rather than repair the existing one.

Training: No Report

Publicity: No Report

Old Business:

- Only three members attended the club breakfast this month.
- Jeff reported that the current plan for tree removal at the field is to have multiple phases. The first is the removal of the north-end “Christmas” trees. The Parks Department knows that these trees are small and unmarketable, so they appear amenable to out removing them. Since club members are not allowed to use chain saws on county property, we will have to contract with a licensed and bonded professional to do the cutting. Jeff is currently soliciting bids. We can cut up the trees once they are felled. This phase appears to be moving ahead. Subsequent phases, removing trees to the south and west, are still early in the discussion stage. Forestry Management and Land Use Plans will take time to work through.
- Jeff reported that the county will provide weed wrenches for us to use to remove scotch broom.
- Brian reported that due to scheduling problems, instructors showed up twice when there were no students. He feels that it is important to get some planes in the air and flying so the students will have more invested. The current plan is to bring some planes to the school gym this Friday. The students continue to express interest in combat flying. There is still no word on expanding the program to more schools.
- There will be new rules for Combat! this year regarding participation recognition and preventing runway damage. Pylon racing will have similar rules. All planes will be inspected.
- The McMinnville, Oregon event, although just a swap meet with no commercial vendors, was a success with three club members making purchases.
- We still need volunteers to manage club events at the field this summer.

New Business:

- The Yakima Valley Aero Modelers will have their Zillah Spring Opener the weekend of April 27th – 29th; the Zillah IMAC will be held on June 9th and 10th.
- The Snohomish IMAC will host their Polar Bear event on April 14th and 15th; the Cascade IMAC will be held on July 7th and 8th.
- This month’s Open Shop will be hosted by Harvey Smith on March 20th.
- Al Franklin will host next month’s Open Shop on April 17th. He expects to have three truck-loads of models, parts and equipment for sale at that time.

- The club is still seeking to obtain a written Memo of Understanding regarding our use of the airfield.
- Greg recently sent out an e-mail notice regarding some stolen items. Members are asked to be alert to the possible sale of the listed items.
- Terry recently found the gate lock with the combination still in place. Members are reminded to scramble the lock when locking the gate.
- A cutting torch was recently used to bypass the gate lock. If someone is willing to go to that much trouble to access the field, there is little that we can do about it.
- Members are encouraged to read the ORCA club article in the recent issue of the AMA magazine.
- There will be a swap meet at the Shelton High School on April 14th and another at the Toledo High School on April 23rd.

Show and Tell:

- Bruce showed a new OS 2.4 cubic inch, 4-cylinder, four-stroke engine that he purchased for \$1,000 off the regular price of about \$2,700.
- Terry showed a small, fourteen ounce, vacuformed “Spitfire” cartoon airplane. The “Bull Dog One” has a dog for a pilot. The servos are totally encased, so no repairs without tearing into the plane.

Bruce was selected as this month’s winner.

Quarter Drawing: Brandon Woyshnis’ name was drawn but he was not present to win \$38.85.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Minutes approved April 10, 2012