



## **Kitsap Aircraft Radio Control Society**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**September 10, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

**New Members:** None

**Visitors:** Robert

**Treasurer report:** Read and accepted.

**Last month's minutes:** Read and accepted.

#### **Safety:**

- We have become somewhat lax in calling out our landings and takeoffs. Be sure to include the direction (e.g. right-to left) you using on the runway.
- Be sure to thoroughly check out you aircraft before entering the runway.
- Be courteous! Walk behind pilots who are operating aircraft.

#### **Field Maintenance:**

- The field was mowed before Labor Day weekend.
- Work parties are being scheduled to remove downed trees. County crews are expected to bring out a large chipper in late September or October. Discussion ensued.

#### **Instruction:**

- Sam and Pat have been having some buddy box sessions; little activity otherwise. Greg commented that some recently qualified pilots have not been active since completing training.

## **Publicity:**

- The large vinyl banners are still expected soon.
- The Blackberry Festival enjoyed perfect weather. As always, the flight simulator was very popular. One attendee (Howard Jackson) said he was interested in joining the club and building an ornithopter. We handed out lots of information, including one to a person interested in trucks.
- Neil suggested that we advertise the truck track more. Since club membership is required, it was suggested that a new card type be created. Discussion ensued.

## **Old Business:**

- Jeff reported that the bids for cutting the south end trees and a second patch to the north is still moving through the county process. It will take two days to cut the two stands. Cost is \$1,000 for each. No chipping will take place on the days of the cutting.
- Jeff said the county plans to focus on northern parks in 2014, central in 2015 and southern in 2016. This should give us time to create a development plan for possible implementation in two years.
- Nothing firm to report on the School Program. The school is considering joining the AMA; more details to come.
- Events:
  - Combat had four flyers and no major mishaps.
  - The next Pylon Racing competition is in two weeks. Neil read the current standings and commented that videos are helping in accurate scoring. They will be available on the website. The starts are still a bit hairy, but are getting better; options will be discussed during the interim. The last race will be October.
- Sean proposed using catering from the Wig Wam Tavern for the club banquet.
- The truck short course is raked and leveled. The long course has been laid out.
- Al's sale brought in \$805 for the club treasury. Thanks to Al, Harvey, Terry and Greg for all the work they did.

## **New Business:**

- The status of AMA Park Flyers was discussed. Aircraft are limited to three pounds and sixty miles per hour. KARCS will continue to require full AMA membership; however park flyers are permitted as guests so long as they only fly qualified aircraft.
- Sean reported on the Wenatchee Red Apple Flyers' Huckfest. They have a fantastic airfield including campsites. All flyers had spotters. Participants included giant scale and night flyers. Several KARCS members were in attendance.

## **Member Concerns:**

- None

**Awards:**

- Harvey again showed his 1/3 scale Space Walker. The plane is almost finished, has orange trim and weighs in at 19 ½ pounds. The weave in the Stihl Lite covering is clearly visible. Cockpit instruments are still needed.
- Jim won Show and Tell with his \$25 Snoopy funny foam car flyer from FancyFoam.com
- Mike McIntyre was present to win the Quarter Drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.