

PMAC August 2006 Business Meeting Minutes

President Bill Ridenour called the August 2nd meeting at the PMAC field to order at 7:38 p.m. with 24 members and 3 guests present.

The minutes of July's meeting were read by Secretary John Zonneveld and accepted as read.

Treasurers Report:

Frank Vella read the February Treasurer's report:

Communications:

- ❑ Bill Ridenour read the following communications:
 - The Aero RC Club of Flint is having its Annual Big Bird Fun Fly on August 5th and 6th at Bakers Field in Lennon, MI
 - Willow Run Airport is having a War Bird Air Show this weekend.
- ❑ Greg Smithson told the group that the Radio Control Club of Detroit is having a 4-stroke rally this weekend. The event will take place at Wetzel Field in Clinton Township.

Reports:

- ❑ Tom MacDonald reported that he contacted the same people at the Oakland press about the electric fly on the 13th. They will come out and do pictures of the planes prior to the meet. They are asking \$149 to put an ad in the paper for the event. Tom tentatively gave them the go-ahead to run the ad.

Tom asked that we get as many electric planes out here on Friday the 11th to be set up and fly for the Oakland Press. Tom will let Ed know what the time so that it can be posted on the web site.

- ❑ Ed Kincer told the group that we are good to go on the 13th. The raffle prize will be a Pulse XT. It will also include an ESC and motor donated by Quiet RC who will have a vendor booth at the meet. Ed has given out flyers to most of the area hobby shops.
- ❑ Ed gave his instruction night report which continues to be busy. At least 3 or 4 young members are out learning and more are being soloed.

Ed thanked the Schaeffer brothers for setting up the clothes pin frequency system. Also, the club purchased Futaba and JR trainer boxes.

- ❑ Shawn German reported that the new canopy requires a 12 ft. by 20 ft. UV blocking tarp. He asked if anyone knows where he can get the bungy cords that are used. Rich Swarzinger said that he's seen them at Home Depot and Murray's. Shawn also reported that the poles will run between \$15-\$16 per pole and the tarp will be about \$30.

Unfinished Business:

- ❑ Rich Schwarzingger asked about the post cards that were to be sent out for the field combination change. John Zonneveld explained the postage issues with the post cards and the new process of e-mailing out the new field combination upon request.

New Business:

- ❑ Dave McDonald told the club that Carlton's had donated 2 gallons of fuel to be raffled off by the club. Hank Wildeman suggested that we use the fuel for trainer nights instead
- ❑ Sterling Smith raised discussion on the various types of AMA memberships available. Ed Kincer clarified what the rules, pros and cons of the 90-day AMA trial memberships. Frank Vella suggested that we put an expiration date on our 90-day club membership cards so we know when the AMA membership expires. The group decided that 90-day AMA trial members will be allowed to join the club after the normal 2 or 3 flights as specified in the club constitution.

Hank Wildeman expressed concern about pilots flying with expired temporary AMA memberships. Frank Vella volunteered to give the temporary AMA members different colored club membership cards.

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Bill Ridenour read a passage from the constitution that described the policy around "Visitors" at the field. There is a 3-flight maximum on the club's trainer planes before members must join the club.

- ❑ The Swap meet will be held October 22nd from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Waterford Oaks County Park - Activity Center. All of the information is available on the web site.
- ❑ Greg Smithson brought two more new benches and placed them at the end of the field.
- ❑ Dave McDonald went to the RCCD event last weekend. They have a direction arrow to designate which direction the flight pattern is. Bill Ridenour designated Dave as being in charge of mounting a direction arrow to the flag-pole at the field.

Announcements:

- ❑ Guests Terry Overton from Skymasters, Dave Smithson (Greg Smithson's father) and Shawn German's cousin Spencer were introduced.
- ❑ There were no other announcements.

Prizes:

50/50 raffle sales - \$34

Winner – Hank Wildeman won \$17 and donated it back to the club

Airplane raffle

Hank Wildeman won the airplane raffle

Congratulations Hank

Show & Tell:

- Ron Leake showed his 25 Electric Ultra Stick with a 3-cell 3200 Lypo, Castle Creations ESC, Hitec 225 servos. This plane is already rigged for flaps.
- Hank Wildeman showed his Eflite Airliner from Horizon Hobbies. Hank got it damaged by the delivery driver and is repairing it and modifying the landing gear to be usable at our field.

The next business meeting will be Wednesday, September 6th, 2006 at 7:30 P.M. at the PMAC field.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by John Zonneveld – 2006 PMAC Recording Secretary