

Cloud Kings

Minutes from meeting held on 04/08/08

Henry Bohe called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

Treasurer's Report

Balance in the checkbook is \$10,492 including the Legal Fund.

Expenditures

\$160.00 for AMA Insurance for both fields

\$160.00 for the porta potty rental (January & February)

Deposits

\$1400 Dues and 50/50 cut plus Pete Jones donated back to the club his share of the winnings

Secretary

63 counted members 70 total.

Old Business

Field Committee

John Anderson reported that the field was still there. He reported that Leif thought that the parking seems to be too close to the house to allow for a backyard. He suggested to John to move the runway to the other side of the existing runway where the winter wheat is growing now. Then the parking and pavilion would be moved down towards the end of the existing runway and the existing spectator and pilot's fence moved accordingly allowing more room for a backyard. Alvin said we cannot go any farther than the existing runway because of the Conservation District's agreement for the use of the land. John will be very busy for the next few months, so any help you can give him would be appreciated.

Bylaws Committee

Tom Lauletta reported that the members do have ideas, but due to Easter and vacations, the committee has not met yet. He is hoping to be able to meet within the next couple of weeks.

Boot Camp

There is nothing new to report. John and Bill will get together to try and iron out details.

New Business

Pete Jones announced an idea he is working up with someone from work. The idea is an airplane summer with the Boy Scouts of America. They are working on full scale flights and buddy box flights with RC planes. More details to come.

Due to work commitments Pete Jones can no longer act as newsletter editor. We need someone to take his place. Any volunteers please notify Henry Bohe.

Someone announced that Li-Poly batteries may become obsolete in the near future. Motorola has a new type of battery. The new technologies are A123 and Li-Ions.

A concern was brought up about the IRS and non profit organizations. Tom Lauletta reported that the AMA sent a flyer to all clubs concerning this topic. The Flyer was given to the treasurer. John Anderson will look into it and follow up with what has to be done.

Alvin Johnson suggested that the tool cabinet at Harris field be replaced with a new plastic type. The club will look into the amount of use Harris Field gets and the condition of the existing cabinet.

Henry Belfiore will look into getting both fields rolled. Harris field needs it for the fun fly so the Malchione's can fly their scale jets. Rolling both fields will save wear and tear on all airplanes.

Provisional Members

New Members

The following prospective members were voted to full membership status
Martin DeBerardinis

Field Marshall

The runway and parking was mowed today. Bill Brueckman got quotes for the stone for the driveway from Cedar Hill Quarries since Alvin was unable to contact the original supplier. The quotes were for 2A modified at \$350 for 23 ton or for CRI stone \$370 for 23 ton which was more than the original quote. Sam Daemer talked about using slag instead of stone. Louis Kinney said he can contact the original supplier via another person. Bill, Louis and Sam will coordinate and get something there by Thursday. Tom Lauletta suggested we allow Bill make the decision, base on Louis' and Sam's input on who to use with a price not to exceed the quote Bill brought to the meeting of \$350. Alvin will final grade whatever shows up.

Safety Officer

There is nothing dramatic to report. Henry checked the first aid kits and fire extinguishers. All seems ok. If you have some band aids, feel free to bring some up to the field. Henry looked into a class D fire extinguisher for Li-Poly fires. A standard class D extinguisher costs about \$400. This will not put out Li-Poly fires though. The extinguishers that will put out Li-Poly fires cost about \$700. There are two buckets of sand that can be used for Li-Poly fires at the field. Henry will check Harris Field for safety concerns.

50/50

John Anderson won the 50/50. He donated the winnings back to the club. Thanks John

Events

On May 3rd the club will host its first tailgate sale. Dick Plyler is making all the arrangements. This is in lieu of the indoor sale/auction we've held the last few years due to the dramatic increase in hall rental fees. It will be held at West Field. A charge of \$10 per parking spot will be charged. Each person will sell from the parking spot using "tailgate" of his or her car. Set up will be 8 a. m. and be open for business at 9 a. m. Donations for admission will be asked. An auction in the hangar will be held starting around 11 a. m. The club will supply concessions. Someone in the club will have to get a food handlers license to do concessions. Dick asks that there be no flying until the sale is over (approximately 1-2 p. m.). Dick needs help setting up. Henry Belfiore, Harold Dunkle, Cecil Miller, Alvin Johnson and Pete Jones volunteered to help.

Gremlin Combat will be held at West Field on May 17th starting at 10 a.m. Henry Bohe is organizing the contest. It is a one design combat competition. All planes will be the Gremlin, which can be bought at www.racores.com. The kits cost \$35 each plus \$5 shipping. Power is limited to a .25 to .32-glow engine. No electrics will be allowed. The directions that come with the kit are not very good, so members can call Henry Bohe or Dick Martin with questions, since they have figured out all the problems of building.

Our annual Fun Fly will be held on June 28 (rain date June 29) at Harris Field. All sound restrictions will be lifted. Mark McQuaide is organizing the event. The club will handle concessions as long as we have someone who has a food-handling license. Some ideas are contests, jet demonstration, 3-D demonstration and possibly some full-scale planes. Lots of help will be needed. Contact Mark McQuaide to volunteer to help.

The club picnic is scheduled for September 6 at West Field. Noise restrictions will be lifted. Pete Jones is organizing this event. Hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks and condiments are by the club. Members are to bring a covered dish. This is an all day affair. Pete is thinking of some events to have.

October Fest Vintage R/C is in the planning. Tom Lauletta will coordinate with Mike Denest as to club responsibilities.

Christmas Dinner will be on December 6th or 13th. Dick Plyler and Marion Jones are making the arrangements.

Flight Instruction

Bill is back. Welcome. Bill expects more of the same for this year. He has a club syllabus for training pilots for anyone interested.

Airplane Talk

Bob Fling showed an article on the XB 46. One plane was made in 1952 and sent to a climatic hangar at Eglin AFB. The temperature in the hangar can be dropped down to 60 degrees below zero. This allows testing on airplanes in extreme conditions. The XB 46 was in competition with the B 45 and B 47 for Air Force bombers. The B47 won the competition.

Bob Scott brought in pictures of his back yard taken from a camera in his plane

Bob went to the Toledo show. 2.4 GHz is here to stay. The attendance was down from previous years. It was also noted that the sales at Hamburg and Lebanon Valley seem to be less attended also.

Next Meeting

June 10, 2008 7:30 p. m. at West Field

Respectfully Submitted by
Tom Lauletta
Secretary