

# Cloud Kings

Minutes from meeting held on 8/11/09

Pete Jones called the meeting to order at 7:51 pm.

## Secretary's Report

The membership renewal process and nomination for election of officers begins at the next meeting

## Treasurer's Report

Balance in the checkbook is \$9087.37 including the Legal Fund. Legal fund is worth \$4345.00

Expenditures for past two months

Porta Potty \$85/month

Field Improvements \$200

Deposits

Apparel sales and membership fees \$164

## Old Business

One-Half year dues

It was brought up about one-half year dues for those who live in the area a half year. This has been tabled until the person who brought it up can be in attendance for discussion

Power for the pavilion at West Field

Henry Belfiore is still waiting on PECO to provide the cost for a new electrical service to the pavilion to provide power for recharging batteries. Solar power is also being considered. Once PECO give us the cost a determination will be made based on needs and future considerations

## New Business

### New Meeting Place

Our next meeting will be held at the Upper Oxford Township Hall. It is located on Route 10 just before Route 896. The next meeting is October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

Sam Daemer requested that the pilot stations be moved back to the original locations.

After much discussion a vote was taken and the club decided to keep them at their present location.

Louis Kinney requested a 2-foot safety fence be added to the pilot stations to create a barrier between the flight line and the pits. Much discussion ensued and a committee was established to investigate the situation and make recommendations to the membership.

Louis will head the committee. Bruce Ginn, Sam Daemer and Joe Hoopes will assist Louis.

Louis also questioned if the fencing at the pilot stations is strong enough to stop a wayward plane. His committee will also investigate this and report back to the membership.

Joe Hoopes feels that the grass needs to be cut more often and lower, even if it costs more to do so. Alvin Johnson replied that he cuts the grass as low as the tractor allows and has been cutting the grass twice a week. This will continue unless conditions require a change.

Dale Adams offered for purchase, a roller to help keep the runway smooth. Cost to the club would be \$200 and he would deliver it. A discussion of storage was held and Alvin agreed that the club could keep it in his hanger, if the club allowed him to use it on his personal properties. The club voted to purchase the roller and agreed to the storage arrangements proposed by Alvin.

## New Members

The following have completed the probationary period and were voted to remove the probationary title

Bill Devoe

Walt Faulkner

The following nominees were voted to probationary memberships

Cecil Miller sponsors Steve Howell. Steve is from the Oxford area, then moved to Hershey area and is back. He is married for 33 years, has 3 daughters, 2 grandsons and 1 grand daughter. Cecil asked him to join and learn to fly. Cecil is getting him started.

Tom Lauletta sponsors Chad Lester. Chad has been flying off and on for 15 years.

## Field Marshall Report

Pete read a report from Dick Plyler. The report stated that the club should continue use at Harris field as presently being done, with no updates or improvements.

New pilot stations were installed at West Field. The height of a couple of the stations could be lowered if necessary.

A reminder was given to keep fingers out of a turning propeller.

## Safety Officer Report

No report was issued.

## Chief Flight Instructor Report

Walt Faulkner and Bill Devoe are in training. It has been hot the past few days so make sure you stay hydrated. Mike is reviewing the One Week to Solo program. Mike talked to Bill Kelsoe. Bill will get around to model plane flying sometime.

## Events

The club picnic will be held September 12 (rain date the 19<sup>th</sup>). The club will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls, condiments, soda, ice, napkins and all utensils. Members are to bring a covered dish to complete the meal. Pete asked for a volunteer to coordinate the event. No one volunteered.

Mike Denest announced the VR/C and SAM Fun Fly on October 11 and 12. Vintage RC planes are those designed or kitted before January 1, 1974. West field will be closed to Cloud Kings members on Saturday up to 4 p.m. The field will be open to all flyers after that point. Sunday will be open flying for all members and VR/C and SAM pilots. Cost to the pilots is \$10 if you are a VR/C member and \$15 if not. All pilots must be members of the AMA. There will be a banquet Saturday night at the Nottingham Inn and a friendly get together on Friday night at Margherita's. All Cloud King members are invited to participate. Contact Mike Denest for details on any of these items.

## Audit Committee

All treasury books appear to be in line.

## 50/50

Bob Fling won \$31

## Airplane Talk

Ray Crowley brought an AMR Trainer 26. It is a full kit from Canada. The plane has an 84.5" wingspan, 1520 square inches of wing area and a fuselage length of 66". Flying weight is projected at 12-13 pounds.

Bob Fling Brought in his .049 powered Dakota. It was originally designed as a free flight model. Bob is converting it to RC. Matt Johnson is also building a Dakota.

Pete Jones brought in a friend's Sig Fazer. It has a .40 motor and was tail heavy. Pete added 3 oz of lead to the tail, but was able to hide the lead. Pete also talked about neutral points and setting up your plane around them. He referenced a June 2009 Model Aviation article about the subject.

Next Meeting

October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at Upper Oxford Township Building

Respectfully Submitted by

Tom Lauletta  
Secretary