

Sky Knights Aeromodeling Team

Official Club Meeting Minutes

Date: 12/22/14 Meeting Started At: 7:05PM Meeting Ended At: 8:30PM

Attendance – Seven club members attended the meeting.

Guests: One guest, Dave Noah, attended the meeting. Dave has a newly acquired DJI Phantom and is new to the RC hobby. Dave was a guest of John Clauson. Welcome to the meeting Dave.

Roll Call:

President: Jon Earley Y Vice President: Dave Stritter N Secretary: Rich Granitz Y

Treasurer: John Losch N

1 Year Directors: Al Parshall Y

2 Year Directors: Ralph Warner Y

Treasurer's Report (John Losch): for November 2014

There was no financial report for this month. There were no known financial transactions during the month.

Expected Closing Balance: \$ 3142.34

Secretary's Report (Rich Granitz):

There is no additional information to report.

Safety Report (Al Parshall):

There we no safety concerns to report.

Field Report:

The Field has seen some limited late year use by our members. No current field issues exist.

Old Business:

- The annual holiday will be held at the Blackthorn Grille on Friday January 16th. The gathering will begin around 6:00 for cocktails with dinner at 7:00. We have a reserved area for ~25. The gift exchange will be held for those who wish to participate. Watch the website for details.
- The 2015 New Years Day fun fly will begin at 11:00 AM at the field.

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Web Report:

John Clauson presented the website report. The entire report follows in blue.

Website report for December 21, 2014

Since the new website was launched in November 2013 it had been viewed 4,231 times as of the morning of December 18. Thirteen members are currently subscribed to the News section.

The site was probably instrumental in attracting several members to the club, and we are not aware of any that it chased away. Comments and suggestions for improvement are always welcome. We strongly encourage member contributions of photos, news or other items of interest.

The website resource page that was mentioned at the last meeting will definitely be launched in the first quarter of 2015. The concept is for members to display information about where they obtain supplies, materials and information for this hobby. It will be as useful as members make it by their contributions. Hopefully it will not only become a good resource for us but might attract more visitors to our website and maybe even new members to the club. Details and further information will appear on the website and in email in early 2015.

New Business:

- The Field rent was made to Marge in late November.
- Ralph donated the proceeds from the Bud Nosen Aeronca and Zagi Fix to the club that he offered for sale to club members.
- E-Fest will be held January 23rd and 24th in Champaign at the Armory.

Show and Tell:

- Ralph displayed several small models including the Wright Flyer hand launched FF glider that he has been working to develop for the museum at Kitty Hawk. There are other models currently in development including an electric FF and RC version. Contact Ralph or stay tuned for additional information.
- John Clauson played a video of Jon Earley participating in FPV Indoor racing at the Highland Park Dome. Dave Cameron is considering organizing and running a Tree Racing event at the field later this year.
- Ralph Warner presented a slide show from his recent visit to the Owls Head Transportation Museum in Maine. The museums Mission is to collect, preserve, exhibit and demonstrate pre-1920 landmark aircraft, ground vehicles, engines and related technologies significant to the evolution of transportation and/or the State of Maine.

Meeting was called to end.