

Sky Knights Aeromodeling Team

Official Club Meeting Minutes

Date: October 16, 2017

Meeting Called to Order: 6:05PM

The October meeting was held at the Grayslake Library. The large gathering room is micro FPV friendly with several members navigating an impromptu lighted obstacle course after the meeting.

Attendance: Nine club members were present at this month's meeting. Ramon Joson attended the club meeting as a guest. Ramon started flying multi rotors earlier this year and is looking for a group to fly with. There were several "drop in's" to the meeting room and they all witnessed the multirotor mayhem. 1 or 2 also took home Sky Knight club information.

Roll Call:

President: Jon Earley (Y)

Vice President: Jim Larson (Y)

Treasurer: Dave Wurzbach (Y)

Secretary: Rich Granitz (Y)

2 Year Director: Ralph Warner (Y)

1 Year Director: Dave Stritter (Y)

Treasurer's Report (Dave Wurzbach): 9/26/17 through 10/16/17

Balance: 9/25/17 1881.23

Income: 62.50 Membership- Pro Rated

Expense: 0.00

Balance: 8/28/17 1943.73

The treasury report was accepted by motion of the attending club members

Secretary's Report (Rich Granitz):

An AMA club roster audit was completed. The club roster is accurate and up to date.

Safety Report (Rich Granitz):

No known safety issues to report. The club has an excellent safety record.

Keep safety in mind at the field and in the workshop.

Reminder: LiPo packs can produce a very high instantaneous current when shorted or reverse connected. Batteries are possibly one of our most significant safety concerns!

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Field Report:

The field is in great shape and is even more beautiful as the seasons change.

Dave W. was caught mowing again.

Fuel cans are empty, Steve volunteered to refill.

It appears that we are finished mowing for the year. Thanks to all who mowed.

Concerns regarding the excessive amounts of walnuts this year were discussed. Pawel may have a lawn sweeper that could be useful for pickup of the nasty nut carcasses.

Web Report: (John Clauson)

Check out the main page of the website for some new photos.

As always, John is requesting photos, videos, etc. of your projects.

Old Business:

- No open old business at this time.

New Business:

- Pawel, our newest member was officially welcomed to the club.
- An e-mail was sent as a meeting reminder. We will try to remember to keep it up.
- Several club pilots attended the Chain O Lakes Eagles Float Fly, held recently.
- The annual Sky Knights holiday party will be held in January. Location will be determined at a later time. Several potential locations were mentioned including Saluto's and Buffalo Wild Wings.
- Last month, we held our last outdoor meeting for the year. Due to scheduling complications, watch the website and email for up to date meeting and location information.
- We may have had our last Night Fly for the year. Watch for details regarding a November Night Fly.
- Indoor Flying at the Prince of Peace Church gymnasium this winter is questionable at best due to high use by the church. There may be a possibility of flying on weekend days. Ralph will look into if necessary. Dave will look into flying at Buffalo Wild Wings. If you know of a potential indoor venue, please discuss with Jon.
- Indoor flying has resumed in Barrington.

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Show and Tell / Good of the Club

- Jim brought up the potential for another group build. Discussions to continue for a spring build, possible fixed wing and FPV.
- Show and Tell, along with “Garage Sales” will continue at next month’s meeting. Donations for the garage sale are welcomed.
- Ralph passed around photos from Warbirds over Indiana. There are still some serious builders out there! He also mentioned the high quality and professionalism and seriousness of the AMA organization. The AMA museum in Muncie is a destination for all. A potential group trip to Muncie was mentioned.
- Ralph mentioned that he AMA is looking for vintage commercial items for the collection. He had a 1960 era publication as an example.
- Jon talked about his recent Frankenstein quad conversion to a ZMR250 style frame.

Notes and Reminders:

- ❖ Night Flight – Watch of an e-mail.
- ❖ Monday flying continues as the weather permits.
- ❖ Next meeting – Grayslake Library, watch for detailed information.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51PM.