

R/C Sportflyer

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Minutes of February 6, 2003 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Mike Krass. There were 21 members and 5 visitors present. The visitors were Rob Clay's mother, Pat, Joe and Mike Barnett, Brett Gradinger, and Brian Richman. Joe Barnett joined at the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting and treasurer's report were approved.

Safety, training & formation: We have had an excellent safety situation recently, mainly because the weather has pretty much stopped the flying. Same story with training and formation.

Parks: The response to Parks department for information about the club will get a little "word smithing" by Mike and will be in the mail in the next two weeks.

Old Business

Constitution Changes: The change to the club constitution, as published in the February newsletter, **was approved.** Contact Walt if you want a copy of the constitution.

New Business

Club Web Site: Scott Goergen has a web server the club can use for free. The current web server costs the club \$70 per year. It would cost the club \$20 to cancel the current service, resulting in a refund of \$50.

A motion was made and passed to use Scott's web server.

Charity Event: There was some discussion of a charity event for this year. For those newer members, a goal the club has is to maintain Gold Leader status with the AMA. One requirement is for the club to do a charity event.

A motion was made and passed to host the Harvesters event this year.

Other: One of the members was at the field when a park ranger came by to check permits. The ranger made the comment that we will be seeing a lot more of them this year as they will be checking for park permits and AMA membership cards. So, if you're going out flying, be sure and have both your park permit and AMA card with you!

Raffle Prize: The cordless Dremel tool was won by Mark Blaco.

Show and Tell: Bryan Richman had a Pilot Models Seduction Freestyle pattern plane with a YS .63 for sale. If interested, contact him.

Hans Kilz had a Kadet with a Saito .65. It is his rebuilt/replacement of "Big Red" that met an (almost) unfortunate end.

Steve Lambert had an almost completed P47 built by Claud Beattie. It's from a Top Flight kit, has retracts and an ST .75. **It won the Model of the Month award.**

I didn't make a note of who showed/explained this one, but one of the members had an Isolator. It is an electrical device that isolates the receiver from electrical noise. This is a problem that can happen when one has long servo leads, among other situations. It costs about \$80 and weighs about the same as a receiver. Charlie Reed has them, among others.

Wanted: Claud Beattie is wanting a Saito .56. You can call Claud at 816-966-0528.

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Calendar of Events – Models

- Mar 6** RCSF Club Meeting - First Baptist Church Of Grandview
Mar 8 RCSF Club Fun-Fly
Mar 22 KC-CON Model (plastic) show & contest, Holiday Inn, 8787 Reeder Road, Overland Park
Apr 3 RCSF Club Meeting - First Baptist Church Of Grandview
Apr 5 RCSF Club Fun-Fly
Jun 6-8 AMA Grand Event, Des Moines, Iowa - Waterworks Park www.modelaircraft.org
Jun 14 RCSF Open Fun-Fly
Sept 27 RCSF Club BBQ

Calendar of Events – Full Scale

- May 24** Antique Aircraft Fly-In, Atchison, RCSF invited
Jun 13-15 WWI Replica Fighters, Gardner, KS
July 17-19 Heart of America CAF Open House, New Century Airport
July 22-28 Oshkosh! 100th anniversary of Wright brothers flight
Aug 27-Sep 1 Antique Aircraft National Fly-In, Blakesburg, IA
Sept 11 Recreation of the 1932 Ford National Air Tours - Includes planned stop in Kansas City, (tentative date).
More information to come as it's available. (www.NationalAirTour.org)

Aviation on TV

- Mar 3 '03** History Channel, *Glacier Girl* - First flight of the P-38 recovered from a glacier in Greenland in 1992
Dec 17 Documentary of the Wright brothers
Fall '03 (date not finalized) Documentary of the Red Baron, WW I ace Manfred von Richthofen

Cliff Albright, surgery. Cliff Miller sent me an e-mail just before I printed the newsletter letting me know that Cliff Albright went to the hospital for open heart surgery on Tuesday, February 25th. Don't have any more information right now, I'm sure Cliff M will be able to tell us more at the next club meeting. I'll get a card and have it at the next meeting for everyone to sign. - Walt

At one of our club meetings last year, Sob Borisooth of the Interstate All Battery Center at 5285 West 95th Street, Overland Park, talked about batteries and that they would make up custom packs. You can call ahead (ph: 913-385-9399) to order a pack. If I remember correctly, they can have a pack made with 24 hour notice. If there is any question about ordering ahead simply tell them you are a member of this club. We have set up a standing cash account with them so as to eliminate any questions about phone in orders. Since it's a cash account, you can't charge to the account....sorry, the club treasury isn't flush enough to fund battery packs for the members!

Eagles may soar, but weasels aren't sucked into jet engines.
If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.
A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
For every action, there is an equal and opposite criticism.
He who hesitates is probably right.
Never do card tricks for the group you play poker with.
No one is listening until you make a mistake.
Success always occurs in private, and failure in full view.
The colder the X-ray table, the more of your body is required on it.
The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
The severity of the itch is proportional to the reach.
To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
To succeed in politics, it is often necessary to rise above your principles.
Two wrongs are only the beginning.
You never really learn to swear until you learn to drive.
The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.
Monday is an awful way to spend 1/7th of your life.
The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.
A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
If you must choose between two evils, pick the one you've never tried before.

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Change is inevitable....except from vending machines.
Don't sweat petty things....or pet sweaty things.
A fool and his money are soon partying.
Plan to be spontaneous tomorrow.
Always try to be modest. And be damn proud of it!
If you think nobody cares about you, try missing a couple of payments.
How many of you believe in telekinesis? Raise my hands....
Attempt to get a new car for your spouse--it'll be a great trade!
I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize.
Everybody repeat after me....."We are all individuals."
Death to all fanatics!
Guests who kill talk show hosts--On the last Geraldo.
Chastity is curable, if detected early.
Love may be blind, but marriage is a real eye-opener.
Bills travel through the mail at twice the speed of checks.
Hard work pays off in the future. Laziness pays off now.
Borrow money from pessimists--they don't expect it back.
Beware of geeks bearing gifts.
Half the people you know are below average.
99 percent of lawyers give the rest a bad name.
42.7 percent of all statistics are made up on the spot.
A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.
If at first you don't succeed, then skydiving definitely isn't for you.

The article this month is from the E-Zone web site. The article can be found on the web at:
<http://www.ezonemag.com/articles/2003/jan/inside/inside.shtml>

The E-Zone is an internet site dedicated to all types of electronic powered models. If you haven't check out their site, it's definitely worth looking at, even if you're not into electric flying. It has all kinds of information about electric flight and links to other associated sites.

For those of you getting this via e-mail, I'm just sending the link. I've got it all in a Word document but, with the pictures imbedded in the text, it's over 1,500K in size. Not bad if you've got a good phone line, but it would take some time to download at 1 to 2K per second! If you want me to e-mail the full article to you, let me know and I'll do it. Or, I could just e-mail the text and send the pictures separate. Believe it or not, that makes a big difference in the overall size.

For those of you getting a paper copy, it will take more than one newsletter to get the article to you. This month is the last part of the article that started in last month's newsletter. - Walt