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July 2019
Next Meeting,
August 1 - At the Field

Presidents Message

I think we are on the downside of our summer. It has been a great summer with only one week of unbearable heat, but for the most part its been very nice. This means that the grass is growing well and the field looks great!

Our club is very unique in that we have an exceptional place to fly our planes and to participate in other activities. Most pilots prefer our grass runway to any other type of runway. This does make it a challenge for smaller planes and park fliers but it is nice for larger planes and gliders.

This grass, and our field requires maintenance. We need to protect ourselves from losing our field by keeping it well groomed and flyable. This brings me to the point of maintenance. There are only a handful of our members that takes care of our lovely field once a week. I appeal to all of us who are on the trimming schedule to get out and trim the field and put something in the air :)

Taking care of our field also means making sure that it’s locked up when we leave. I know the men that mow our hay have left it open as they move their equipment, but there have been times when, the handful of guys who
mow and take care of our field, have gone out and found the gate unlocked. Please remember to turn the tumblers after you close the clasp on the lock. This will deter people from simply driving in and using our nice field without having to commit to paying dues or helping us take care of it. Of course we cannot prevent them from walking on through the walk in gate, but we shouldn’t allow them to drive in.

I appreciate everyone and what they do for the club and the continued support to make sure that we all have a great place to fly.

Thank you, Kevin

Kevin Schmidt, President

RC BARNSTORMERS’ JULY MINUTES
July 11, 2019 @ 7pm
President: Kevin Schmidt, presiding
Members Present: 9

Secretary’s Report – Larry J. Mowrey
Motion to accept by Steve Milam.
Seconded by Art Kittler. Approved.
Treasurer’s Report – Bill Payne
Motion to accept by Mike Bare.
Seconded by Art Kittler. Approved.

Old Business:
Field Burning: Kevin Schmidt. Not going to happen this year. We need to bring out a bag or two of Quikrete in order to shore up the sign on the south end of the Pit area. Our turnaround sign will also need to be repainted.

Outhouse: Kevin Schmidt. Hinges fixed.

Justin Folker: Kevin Schmidt. MultiGP Races are expensive, $3-500. The club agreed that both membership in the club and in the AMA will be required before any consideration of MultiGP racing at our field.

Trimming Schedule: This schedule has been emailed out to all those who are members this year. Please honor this schedule by trimming whenever it is your time.

Quickee Race: Gordon McWilliams. August 3-4. Cancelled. 15 gallons of fuel for the purchase by any member of our club.

Field Mowing: Received a text message from Kevin that the hay is going to be mowed on July 20th.

Model of the Month:

Art Kittler
Pilot RC Edge 540, DLE30, Maiden flight this evening

Monthly Drawing:
Mark Bare, multi-pliers

Respectfully submitted
Larry Mowrey, Secretary

Events Schedule
(Note: R/C Barnstormer Special Events are Highlighted)

August 10 & 11 – Omaha Pattern Contest
September 14 – SMRC Float Fly
September 7 – Warbird Fun Fly - KCRC
October 5&6 – IMAC Contest – Hillsdale

Vice Presidents Report
RC Barnstormers – The Greatest Generation

We frequently hear of the WW2 generation referred to as The Greatest Generation. And in the history of the United States of America for obvious reasons, they were. That got me thinking. There could be greatest generations in other things. Airplane modeling is an area that comes to mind.

I was thinking about our members and about the club turning 40 years old this year. Wow! Most of our members have seen it all from the very beginning of the hobby. So many of us
started with stick and tissue and rubber bands. Dope means something totally different to us. Many of us spent many memorable and wonderful hours with free flight models, control line and then into single channel RC and eventually into our modern digital RC control systems, powerful electric motor setups and first person video. To say we have experienced a lot would be a huge understatement. We have seen it all! We were born at the perfect time to enjoy something really special. And by the way, we aren’t finished yet!

I feel a bit sorry for those born today. They will never know the joys of the real struggles and knowledge gained constructing and flying those early projects. Flying RC airplanes today has largely become a matter of clicking the send button on your computer and opening a box. Sure…there is a place for that, but I wouldn’t give up my days struggling with Ambroid Glue, Monokote and cranky old Fox glow motors for anything. Relish what we have learned and done together fellow modelers! We are unique. We are the pioneers! No one will ever have the experience we share. YOU are an important part of the Greatest Generation of Model Aviation.

Mike Bare, Vice President

Members
Since the last Meeting, we have no new or renewed members in the R/C Barnstormers!

FOR SALE
New decals of the club logo are available in 2.5" and 3" diameter. These are great for putting on your plane, flight box, or vehicle. They will be available at the club meeting for $2.00 a pair for either size.

TRIMMING SCHEDULE
Here is the weekly trimming schedule for all the club members. You are responsible to trim during your assigned week.

If you are unable to trim during your assigned week, you should find a replacement or trade with someone else. If you can’t find a replacement or can’t trade with another member, you should be at the field during your assigned week to trim.

| August 1 | Vince Bortone and Chris Bush |
| August 8 | Jerry Davidson and Cecil Davis |
| August 15 | Jay Ellis and Lee Estingoy |
| August 22 | Tim Gastinger and Troy Hamm |
| August 29 | Matthew Harding and Gary Harshman |
| September 5 | Paul Howard and Art Kittler |
| September 12 | Don Kuehn and Matt Harding |
| September 19 | Pat McGhee and Gordon McWilliams |
| September 26 | Carl Melin and Alex Rillos |
| October 3 | Jeff Rusk and Kevin Schmidt |
| October 10 | Charles Swain and |
| October 17 | Chris Thurmond and Jacob Thurmond |
| October 24 | Chris Routh and Alex Routh |

Larry J. Mowrey, Secretary, R/C Barnstormers

Safety Report
Do you know the proper way to dispose of the batteries we use? As always there are some exceptions but we will discuss the common batteries that we use.

The common single use battery can be disposed of in the regular trash. Before disposing these batteries you should wrap tape around the ends to keep them from shorting out and starting a fire.

The rechargeable batteries have heavy metal in its composition and are considered hazardous waste and must be disposed of accordingly. Some office supply and hardware stores will accept these for recycling. They will generally be accepted at
Hazardous Waste Collection Sites. Again wrap tape around the ends to keep from shorting them out.

Nicad and Nickel metal hydride must also be recycled and again check office supply and hardware stores. Again the conductors should be wrapped with tape.

LiPo batteries can be disposed of with the regular household trash because of the materials they are made from. It is strongly recommended that you discharge them to less than one volt per cell unless they are damaged or puffed up. In that case it is recommended that you place them in salt water. Mix one cup of salt with one gallon of water and drop the battery in and lightly cover. Use a plastic container not metal. Do not seal the container tightly. Let the battery set in this mixture for two weeks then remove the battery, wrap it in newspaper and dispose of it in the trash. Even if it is not damaged putting them in the saltwater solution is a good idea.

Steve Milam, Safety Officer

Jonathan Mowrey earns 3rd Place in Masters!!

Jonathan and I attended the 2019 AMA Pattern Nationals @ Blytheville, Arkansas, July 17-20 at Eaker Air Force Base.

He was so anxious to be at the Nats that we got there on Saturday with the contest beginning the next Wednesday! Once the camper was set up, instead of resting, we “had” to drive out to the Air Base and “check” out the flight lines.

Then early Sunday morning, he dragged me out of bed for two practice flights. But unfortunately, the remains of Hurricane Barry hit Blytheville with six inches of rain Sunday evening through Monday. The weather cleared on Tuesday with the contest beginning on Wednesday. More practice flights ensued.

At the end of the day Wednesday, Jonathan was in 5th place (24 pilots in the Master’s class). We spent more time at the practice site later that evening and early the next morning. The boy ran me ragged; no sleeping in for me!

After two more flights on Thursday, Jonathan was in 4th place, remaining in that position through Friday. Because he was in the top ten, he got to fly in the Finals on Saturday.

At the banquet that evening, we found that he had earned 3rd place in Master’s. 3rd place in the whole USA is something to be very proud of.

I am very proud of my son.

Larry J. Mowrey, Caller and Dad
DIRECTIONS FOR ALL CONTEST DIRECTORS AND/OR ORGANIZERS OF BARNSTORMER CLUB EVENTS

1. The CD/organizer should present a request for the use of the field for their event with a date, rain date, and a proposed budget at least one month prior to the event.

2. The CD/organizer should contact the Field Committee (Gary Gasser and Steve Milam) with any request for special field preparations.

3. The CD/organizer should contact the previous event CD/organizer about any food or drinks that might have been left over from their event.

4. The CD/organizer should try to limit purchases to what is likely to be consumed since there are stores close by if they should run short on anything.

5. Left over condiments and drinks should **not** be stored in the storage container (hereafter called the “container”) because of extreme temperature changes.

6. There are at least two (2) propane tanks in the container. If you empty one, have it refilled immediately so that the next event doesn’t run out. Turn that receipt into the Treasurer.

7. Clean the grill inside and outside after every event. Do this preferably at the end of each day, in case there isn’t a second day.

8. Clean the club utensils after the event before putting them in the tub and then into the container.

9. Anything removed from the container will need to be returned to the location where it was found in the container. This doesn’t mean just inside the container; it means to the shelf where it was found.

10. Pickup all trash. Empty all trash cans and take the trash to the maintenance building trash receptacle. Trash bags are in the container.

11. Do not junk up the container. It is not a catch-all for items that maybe somebody else might use in the future.

12. Whoever organizes an event will be responsible for making sure everything is done. Appoint somebody to take care of it if the CD/organizer is unable to.

13. Return an itemized report of all expenditures, plus any extra monies and receipts to the treasurer within a week after your event.
For Sale - Gimbal protectors for your transmitter(s)

These will protect your joysticks while the transmitter is housed in your transmitter box. $2 for two of them. Contact Larry J. Mowrey

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