





Kitsap Aircraft Radio Control Society

Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

New Members: Tom Rogers

Visitors: None

Treasurer report: Read and accepted.

July minutes: Read and accepted as amended.

Safety:

- Paul thanked the membership for improved announcements of take-offs and landings; Terry concurred.
- Electric aircraft pilots are reminded that connecting flight batteries under the canopy is not allowed. Use the setup table provided.

Field Maintenance:

- Terry reported that the southern roadblock appears to be working.
- Scotch broom continues to grow at the field. Members are encouraged to do some cutting in their spare time.
- Garbage rates may be going up; Pat replied that he is okay for the time being.
- Thanks to Bud, the wind sock has been replaced.

Instruction:

- One student recently passed his check flight.
- Nothing new on the other students.
- Three members (Doug, KC and Sean) have been registered with the AMA as Introductory Instructor Pilots.

Publicity:

No report.

Old Business

Field Development

- A meeting with the county was held on February 22nd. The club is asking for a flying area running 1,000 feet each to the north and south and 500 feet to the west from the center of the runway.
- Work on the Heritage Parks will begin with Central Kitsap and then North Kitsap. Development of Coulter Creek probably will not begin for about three years, although planning will begin at least a year before then.
- The Kitsap Model Train group is also working with the Parks Department to develop their area.
- Jeff has volunteered to continue to coordinate our activities with the county.
- Jeff expects the new county forester to be hired within the next four to six weeks. He plans to meet with him or her as soon after then as possible.
- Jeff reported that he has received favorable comments from county officials on the good condition of the field area.
- A chainsaw safety class will be held on Friday at 5:00 pm at Klahowya School.

School Program

- The Ugly Stik flew well on its first time, but a transmitter problem resulted in a crash landing. Damage was minor and should be repaired within the week.
- The fourth class is currently practicing on the flight simulator.
- The club (meets Tuesdays at 3:00 pm) currently has five or six members.
- Instructors will be needed when the weather clears. Contact Brian.

Combat

- Begins next month.
- No new rules.
- Scores will be recorded after each heat.
- Brian again volunteered to write-up the play-by-play.

Pylon Racing

- Proposed rule changes: allow temporary rules change vote on day of each race, only limit on batteries is three cells (LiPo) and landing gear is required. All three changes were voted on and adopted.
- A clinic will be held at 11:00 am on the first day of Combat.
- Blue Sky Hobbies will match Hobby Town's price on T-28s and will stock parts.
- The maximum number of planes that compete in the air at one time is six.
- Neil requested the e-mail address of each member planning to participate.
- Last year's first through third finishers may use their place number as their plane number. Others may display their place number in small numerals beside their cockpit.

Open Shop – 7 pm, next Tuesday at Harvey's; directions on the web site.

Goals

- Terry proposed that club membership for persons under eighteen be free. The members present voted to approve the proposal.
- The Board is in the process of developing a new club fee structure to present to the membership.

New Business:

- Terry showed some Fly-In flyers
- Neil and Rob will coordinate the club's participation in the Bremerton Blackberry Festival and the Kitsap Maker Festival.
- The Spring Opener will be held on April 13th; all club members, their families and guests are invited.
- The provisions of Lifetime and Honorary Memberships were discussed.

Member Concerns – None

Show and Tell

- Lorin showed his hybrid airplane. It weighs 5.25 pounds, has a 0.60 engine and an 11x7 propeller. It uses a three-channel radio with no ailerons.
- Jim showed a "Slasher" type combat plane with a Styrofoam wing and a plastic fuselage.

Lorin was selected as the winner.

Quarter Drawing: Monte Faust was not present; carried over.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.