

KITSAP Aircraft Radio Control Society



## Monthly Meeting: May 14, 2019

# Call to Order – 7:00 pm

#### Introduction of new members and/or visitors

Will Lewis - Cedar Heights Junior High School

A correction to the April Minutes. I stated that one of the visitors was Dave Woodall. His last name is Woodard. Sorry Dave.

Reading of the minutes

Approved

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Floyd was not present, but Duane had a brief copy of the Club's financial record. It was read and approved.

#### **General Announcements**

ATTENTION - The June club meeting, 11 June, will be at the field, hopefully under the new steel structure. This will also be the club's annual swap meet.

KC briefed the club on the current status of the replacement steel structure. The permit was submitted on 2 May. The current status is that the permit is under review. The DCD indicated that the review process would be about 30 days.

The contracting company that is going to assemble the structure has contacted KC and said that they are ready to come and install the new structure. They've been advised that a permit has been applied for and that they'll be notified once approved. They stated that they'll only need approximately 4 hours to have the structure completely installed.

KC attended the Park's Advisory Board meeting on 15 May. During the meeting, the North Kitsap presented their Heritage Park Master Plan. I spoke with Mr. Dumwiddie and he asked about the permit status. I told him that it was under review. I also asked him when he expected to have the Coulter Creek Master Plan presented and he stated that it would still be 2-3 months. He needs to pick a steering committee and then that committee would be reaching out to all of the stakeholders/stewards.

#### <u>Safety</u>

Terry Hubbard showed the club the result of a LIPO battery fire on his drone. The ESC was charred. He had the drone at the field, was getting ready to fly. He had plugged in the battery, put on his FPV goggles, armed his drone and was in the process of getting ready to fly, when the FPV Goggles went blank. He lifted up the goggles to see a ball of fire coming from his drone. It went out suddenly. Later inspection revealed that the negative battery wire had become



unsoldered from the ESC, thus removing the batter voltage from the ESC. The reminder here, is that many of us routinely plug in our batteries into our airplanes at home. In our rec rooms, dining rooms, shop or garage. Or that may be where we recharge the batteries as we're watching TV. This serves as a reminder to us that we should be using a non-combustible surface on which to rest the batteries.

#### **First Saturdays Flying Events**

Duane/Rob announced the results of 4 May's Competition.

#### **Events**

11 May - Warbird Fly-In. Paul Fleming briefed the club on the results of the event. The event featured Precision Landing and Carrier Arrested Landing. Of particular interest was the spontaneous decision to have an event of 'formation flying'. This was out of necessity, because the traditional 'precision bombing' event was eliminated due to lack of capable airplanes. The formation flying was an instant success, and based on the comments, it will be incorporated in the future events. Duane took a lot of pictures of the event and provided them to Rob for publishing onto the Club's website.

1 June - Winter Build Challenge Maiden Flight. There will be plenty of opportunity for open flying.

# ATTENTION!! - 8 June - Our Competition Flying (T-28 Racing, Reno Racing and COMBAT will be on Saturday. This is a change that was voted on during the Winter meetings.

15 Jun - Flop-Arpy/Open House
20 Jul - Fun Fly
21 Sep - Golden Age/Bi-wing Fly-in
Oct - October Closure

#### **Head Flight Instructor**

Greg is waiting to hear from some of the individuals that have requested to learn how to fly. Standing by to support their needs and schedule.

#### **Membership Drive**

Through the Kitsap Mall STEM event and the Kitsap ARCS Warbird flyers that George handed out at the Navy Museum, Hobbytown Silverdale, and other areas, we observed 3-4 visitors that came to watch the Warbird Fly-in. Thank you George for your efforts, and those of everyone else that has been telling the public about this.

#### **Schools Coordinator**

*Mr.* Will Lewis gave us a brief on the upcoming Cedar Heights Middle School  $50^{th}$  Anniversary, and the back-up plan in the event of heavy rain.

On 15 May, several Club members arrived at the school and set-up their static displays and computers. Terry and Greg were off in the remote section of the school, flying their foamy airplanes and drones. We were blessed, as the rain stayed away until about 4:30 pm. We were



starting to compete with the student body and the football game that was schedule to start about 5pm. I really want to thank everyone that showed up. The school's principal came by and thanked everyone for supporting the school's  $50^{th}$  Anniversary.

#### **Field Maintenance**

I sincerely appreciate the assistance of all involved for their efforts in performing the 'Spring Cleaning' at the field. Your efforts in cleaning out the conex box, putting the old canvas covers into the conex box, patching the runway, cutting/clearing some of the tree branches, filling in the ruts in the road and general clean up. Especially for Chuck and Paul for their efforts in bringing the trailer and tractor to grade and fill in some of the rough areas and the sink hole. And afterwards, hamburgers and hot dogs were especially enjoyed by all. Thanks Greg and Mike.

#### **Publicity**

#### **\*\*Open Shop Schedule**

16 Apr – Paul Fleming hosted the open shop and demonstrated fiber glassing of the fuselage. He also showed how to fiberglass the dollar store foamboard.
21 May –
18 June –

#### **Old Business**

None

#### New Business

Paul Fleming announced that one of the year's first 'Scale Competition' will be held at Winachee's Red Apple Field starting Friday, 17 May and will last thru Sunday, 19 May. He has a space in his motor home for anyone wanting to participate

Jim McEdwards announced that on 8 June Marymore Park in Redmond will have a swap meet. Additionally, on 29 June, Hobbytown Silverdale will host their parking lot RC show/swap meet. More details will be forthcoming, regarding set-up times.

### Any Questions, Concerns or General Comments from the Membership

None

#### Show and Tell

Paul Fleming/Harvey Smith presented to the club the progress on the scale SE5A that they've been building over the winter. Their plan is to enter the aircraft into the Team Scale event this year.

Jim McEdwards presented his design of a Tri-copter Drone. He's designed this and made the parts on his 3D printer. He also had on display some of the pilot busts, and other parts that he's made. Directional control of his drone will be thru an articulated arm which will allow the motor to partially turn.



The winner was Paul Fleming and Harvey Smith.

## **25 Cent Drawing**

The winner of the drawing was David Hagen. He was not present, so the prize will be rolled over until the June drawing.

Adjourn – 7:40 pm