

KITSAP Aircraft Radio Control Society



Monthly Meeting: July 9, 2019

Call to Order – 7:00 pm

Introduction of new members and/or visitors

Jerry Patton Matt Foster Devin Rowland (and friend)

Reading of the minutes

Approved

Treasurer's Report

Approved

General Announcements

On 15 June, the club hosted an open fly combined with a 'Flop Arpy'. After a discussion, it was voted to discontinue the 'Flop Arpy' and just have it as an open fly day.

On 18 June the contractor arrived on-site to construct our new steel cover. Thru several issues, he was finally finished on Thursday, 20 June. On Friday, Rick Fuller, Duane Barrett, Jim Wilkie, Greg Tinius, Mike McIntyre and KC filled all of the anchor holes with pre-mixed concrete. Then on Sunday, Rick Fuller, Terry Hubbard, Mike McIntyre, Jim Wilkie and KC back filled the holes with crushed rock, in preparation for a potential DCD Inspection on Mon/Tues. The County DCD was contacted that personnel would be on-site, if they could come out and complete the Inspection certification of the building permit. However, no one from the County showed up on Mon, Tues or Friday of the following week.

Slim hosted an open shop on 18 June. Thank you, Slim. Two members attended this open house. Thank you to those members that attended his open shop.

On 29 June, several club members supported the HobbyTown Silverdale open house/swap meet. The club did benefit from sales of items donated by a former member.

On Saturday, 6 July, Mr. Warren Hendrickson, Bremerton National Airport Manager visited our field during combat. He was able to witness the event, and also experience an FPV Drone flight performed by Terry Hubbard. He was extremely impressed. He is a certified pilot and has flown over our field many times. This was his opportunity to see it from the ground up, and witness the flying of several members. He left with a very favorable experience. Thanks to all who welcomed him.

A very special thanks to all the members that came to Al Franklin's house to help his family dispose of much of his modeling aircraft components, building supplies and airplanes. His family sends a very special 'Thank you' to everyone. The ARCS was one of Al's favorite past-time and he devoted a lot of his time and efforts to improve the club, membership and promoting the hobby.

The servicing of the porta-potty has been increased to twice per month.



Safety

Tom was unable to attend the meeting, but it was mentioned that the loggers now have their families living in the trailer. Please be vigilant for the children, as they may come out to watch our flying activities.

First Saturdays Flying Events - Results

Racing participation was down. T-28 racing, there were only 5 pilots that participated. Rick took 3 firsts; Duane 3 seconds; KC took third in the first heat, but had a collision with a pylon on the 4th lap and out for the rest of the day. Rob didn't finish the 3rd heat. Current standings: Rick 1st; Terry 2nd; Duane 3rd; Neil 4th; Rob 5th; KC 6th; and Jeff 7th.

Reno racing only had 2 fliers and they raced 2 heats only. Rick took first in both heats. Greg didn't finish the first heat, and took 2^{nd} in the second heat.

Combat had 2 pilots, but a third plane joined the fray after the others had commenced action. In the first heat, the third pilot was Neil, and in the second heat, the third pilot was John Calhoun. Current combat standings; Rick is in first place by one point, followed by Terry.

Events

The next events are: 20 Jul - Fun Fly 21 Sep - Golden Age/Bi-wing Fly-in Oct - October Closure (12 OR 19?)

Head Flight Instructor

Currently, there are three students under instruction – Slim, Mike Wierman and Dave Johnson. A fourth has contacted Greg, Bruce Durham. Greg has requested assistance.

Membership Drive

Slim, Jim and Denise McEdwards plan on promoting the club and hobby during the County Fair. Attendance to the fair this year is **FREE!** Parking will be \$10 per car. If you can come out to support, I'm sure that they'll appreciate the company and assistance.

Schools Coordinator

No input

Field Maintenance

I'll be contacting Arno in the near future about getting the big 'walk behind brush hog' for the purpose of getting rid of the thick growth of Scotch Broom at the north end of the field. After that is accomplished, I'll be contacting Paul Fleming about coming out and spraying the area again.

Publicity

See membership drive



****Open Shop Schedule**

16 July – No volunteers 20 Aug – No volunteers

Old Business

The cover is now complete. KC has added a new Club sign on the North end of the cover.

New Business

This is critical for our continued operations. The FAA and the Bremerton Airport Manager have extended a 'business as normal' for our continued club operation. This is while they are discussing the new rules, regulations and guidelines. Fortunately, we have their support.

The fact that we mandate that all club members be AMA members carries significantly weight with their decision to allow us to continue flying here. That signifies that we must comply with the AMA 'Safety Code' and the 'See and Avoid' guidance. This is our insurance and we must safeguard this. We must continue to exercise extreme vigilance to ensure that we stay below the 400' Above Ground Level (AGL) when flying.

HobbyTown in Silverdale has really stepped up to refer interested people to our club and the Orca club. Mr. Rowland is one of these individuals. However, he was of the opinion that he could just come in and fly at our club. Duane advised him of the regulations and requirements to fly at our field. He seemed surprised at the requirements and even commented that he could by-pass the gate and fly anyway. Based on that, if any member arrives at the field and sees someone already flying, please be courteous, but remind them of the requirements. Please get the individuals name and phone number. Advise them to contact Greg or myself for additional training and further information.

Terry and I talked at the field yesterday (7/14). He mentioned that in the past, if an individual came to the field to fly, they had to be an AMA member, a qualified flier, and prove that they could fly safely and abide by the club regulations. If they proved that, they could be extended a courtesy 'two visit' flying opportunity before being required to become a member of our club.

We've been allowed to continue our operations because of our 18 year clean record of flying here, without any violations or complaints of conflicting with airport traffic. Let's keep our record so we can be flying here for another 18 years or more.

Any Questions, Concerns or General Comments from the Membership

None

Show and Tell None

<u>25 Cent Drawing</u> Mike Wierman – Not present

Adjourn – 7:26 pm