MRCA News Letter August 2013

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MRCA Web site

http://mrcaclub.org/

MRCA is now on facebook

https://www.facebook.com/mrcaclub

MRCA Calender 2013

Next Meeting: Monday September 9th, at the Field. 7:00pm. Note: The first Monday of the month is labor day.

Next Fun Fly

Saturday September 14th. Back up date Sunday September 15th.

MRCA meeting minutes Monday August 5th 2013.

Meeting was called to order:

Treasurer's report:

- If you wish to know the actual figures, please contact Barb. This keeps our financial matters off the Internet.
- Dues were collected from one new person, and pump out paid. Still coming are the proceeds from the Sail Plane Event (Stephane's Aero Tow).

It was moved and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report.

OLD Business:

- Discussion on finding a new company to pump out the porta potty. Mike had not heard from two vendors, and had a quote from one at \$50.00
- Mike will try to get a reply from the other two companies.

NEW Business:

- Web Site: MRCACLUB.org
 - Forum is up. The forum can be utilized to sell your equipment, present topics pertinent to the hobby, and post photos related to the club and flying.
 - o Facebook is up,
 - o Discussion on having email sent on the site go to your personal email.
 - O Discussion on using PayPal to pay dues through the site:
 - There is a 3% charge to the club which will be covered by a flat rate fee add to your dues, if you choose to use this feature.
 - Dues could be paid using credit card, debit card, or checking.
 - Dues would be automatically deposited to the club bank account, with email notification to Barb and one other officer.
 - Membership roster could be kept on line on the site (not visible to the public).
 - Moved and seconded to try out Pay Pal through the upcoming dues renewal period. Motion passed.
 - Will revisit in February 2014.
 - News letter to be published on the web site as well.
 - MY NOTE: Job well done to Brad Kelly. He has moved our club to new frontiers.
 Brad has really accepted the responsibility of getting the club an electronic presence on the web. Thank him when you see him.
- Roger brought up several things to think about:
 - The corn is tall!! It eats airplanes!! And may even eat you!! Seriously, if you happen to lose a plane (helicopter) in the corn consider the following precautions:
 - Take your cell phone. There may be a lack of visual references once you get in the corn.
 - Take your transmitter. You may be able to cause your plane to make a sound that will help you find it.
 - See if another member has a mark on where it went down. That member

may be able to direct you by voice.

- o For consideration during a review of club bylaws: Dues increase, with an offset for working on a project that will benefit the entire club. E.g., dues \$100, Work on a project, dues reduced to \$70, saving to you of \$30. The idea is to offer an incentive to be active with club projects. There is always work needing to be done, painting, field maintenance, sponsor an event, etc.
- Where are the pylon racers? A number of T-28's sold to pylon race no one racing? Secretary note: You don't need Roger to get a race together.
 - Pylons will be reset to 400' to accommodate the slower T-28's.
- Our next fun fly is September 14, with alternate day September 15.
 - o Lets try for a pylon race, 3 classes:
 - T-28
 - Pogo
 - War birds (no live machine guns!)
 - Len has volunteered to work on planning. Please, let Len know if you would like to help him out. Bring your ideas for events.
- Robert suggested that the club host an electric fly in. Suggested timing August 2014. This type of event will require planning help and execution help. An event like this could make the club shine.
- Back to volunteering to help the club. It was suggested that a volunteer list could be put on the web site to list projects that need to be done and to sign up for various activities.
- Mark will resend a copy of the old bylaws. Please take time to review and pass on your ideas, and concerns to one of the officers. Bylaw rewrite is slated to start in October. Mark had a dismal response the first time he sent them out.
- New members: Two new members!
 - o Roger introduced Bill Blankenship. Voted in.
 - o Mark introduced C.J. Wisocki. Voted in.
 - Please introduce yourself to both C.J. and Bill. Make them feel welcome, and help them wherever you can.
- Mike Brown, our current secretary is getting out of the hobby, so will be leaving the club. This opens the possibility for you to participate in your club. Please consider running for the office of Secretary. The position does not require a lot of time. It does help if you can make the meetings on a regular basis. Our minutes have been our only contact with some members, so publishing them through the news letter (and now the web site) is important.
 - o My note: It has been great working with the club, I have enjoyed meeting many of our members. I appreciate all the help many of you have given me. Thank you.

Next meeting, Monday September 9th, at the field. Bring your flying gear!!!!

The meeting was adjourned.

I have taken the greatest effort to make the meeting minutes as accurate as I can. Errors and omissions are unintended and will be corrected if you notify me.

Michael Brown Secretary Brownm3@yahoo.com

Photo of the month



Len Kersch and Allen Macdavitt on the buddy box. Having a great time.

Space/Aviation History images of the month

This month I have some submissions by others for the history section. A few links and video links.

Lyle Meade attended 2013 Air Venture Oshkosh and has submitted a video link of the Jet Man who performed at the event this year. Also a spectacular link for the Night show. Thanks Lyle.

Jet Man http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qUUYuvheS3M

Night Show http://www.eaavideo.org/video.aspx?v=1103012503001

Roger Holley submitted Mission for today. A site with many fantastic photos from WWII. Some used for Life Magazine.

http://www.mission4today.com/index.php? name=ForumsPro&file=viewtopic&t=14428&finish=15&start=0

Check this out

Stephane Ruelle filmed the MRCA field from the air with an HD camera that he can attach to the top surface of his plane. The video is also on the facebook page.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=ql2SeOizFa8

I need material for upcoming Newsletters. Your build projects, Photos, Events, historical info etc.

Please send to Robert Throne.

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