

UCRCS Club Minutes - June 10, 2009

UCRCS's regular club meeting was held June 10th at the flying field. President Steve M. welcomed the members and guest. Steve M. and Ron S. prepared a good meal, and Dave made sure we had plenty to drink. The continued services and support provided by Cookeville Raceway & Hobbies and G & L Hobbies was noted. Some announcements were made concerning upcoming events by other clubs. Steve is still trying to get all of the awards, from last year, delivered to the appropriate individuals.

MINUTES / TREASURY REPORT:

Sec/Treas Maryann Smith announced that the regular Club meeting minutes were posted on the Web-Site for Club Members to view, with a special thanks to VP Ron B. for the minutes last month. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the minutes.

Maryann S. reviewed the Club's finances, summarizing the current expenses and resulting bank balances, and noted that we need to be thrifty, due to recent expenses.

CLUB OPERATIONS:

The new lawn mower was purchased, along with the roller for the field, obtained by Jim C. We have determined that we are unable to fix our old mower, and suggestions are being made for disposal, as it is now being stored by one of our members. This will be discussed again at our next meeting. Thanks to all those who have helped with these projects. Members were again encouraged to sign up for the 2009 mowing schedule, as it is finally getting dry enough to mow all of the field.

Holly F. is still adding to the "Items for Sale" page on the Web. He requests that pictures, taken at the field, be sent to him to be added to the web.

Members are still encouraged to gather at the field on Thursday afternoons, weather permitting, to enjoy some extra club time. Members were also reminded to put their AMA cards in the slots, while flying. The new board will have slots for placing cards for 2.4 transmitters. For right now, they just need to be placed in the box while flying. Due to some recent crashes, members are encouraged to have spotters on the field, especially when multiple planes are in the air.

Steve announced our 4 instructors: Bob Conners (Airplane), Steve Mullis (Airplane), Terry Moore (Helicopters) and Jim Casey (Electric) who have their certification. They are available to anyone needing instructions at the field. Call to make arrangements in advance for training days.

Members were reminded that we have the "Club Trainer" available. The trainer is available to all club members.

Due to an increase in membership, and many members not being present at meetings, President Steve M. is enacting a clause in our By-laws, where a vote can be taken, with less than a majority, at the President's discretion. At recent meetings, less than half of our membership has shown up. Be sure and attend the meetings, if you want your voice to be heard.

We still have a Club cap. See or call Maryann S. to get yours. The price is \$15.00.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

There are a few folks that deserve to be recognized for their over-and-above efforts to promote & support the Club:

- Holly F. for the Club's SUPER web-site
- Del H. as the "unofficial" Club Chef, and Steve M. and Ron S. for filling in when needed.
- Gene H. as our Safety Officer
- Bob M. for becoming a CD.

2009 EVENTS SCHEDULE:

6-26-09 – 6-28-09: (Note – date changed due to conflict) Helicopter Fly-In, with Saturday, 6-26-09, being the only official date. The Friday and Sunday dates will be open flying for anyone who attends with AMA. Holly and Chris K. have completed a flyer, which was sent out to various clubs. The pilot fee was reduced to \$15.00 due to the schedule change, including a meal and a raffle ticket. Prizes for the event were voted on at \$50 to each hobby shop, as Chris is still working on possible sponsors. Tony C's sponsor group has donated prizes for the event. We also voted to purchase a radio, at cost, to use as a raffle prize. Gene H. will be our Safety Officer. Steve M. says that we will not have a PA system this time. Meal arrangements are being worked out by Steve M. and Ron S. Meals for others will be \$5.00 including a drink. We have flags to be placed at the site of crashes, to make clean up easier. They will be distributed to fliers at the pilot meeting. New member, Doug Massa, agreed to mow before the event. Volunteers and coolers are needed.

7-25-09: Electric Fly-In – It was suggested that Terry M. and Carl B. do demos. There will be a \$10.00 pilot fee.

8-1-09: Float Fly – This was at Cane Creek Park last year, but other locations are being considered. A boat will be needed.

8-22-09: Giant Scale Fly-In – Bob M. will be in charge of this event and will be CD. He is requesting that Greg G. do a demo for half-time, with a possible helicopter demo. He previously showed a video of a "flying lawnmower" which is a possibility for this event. Plans are being discussed to build one, or two, just in case, but we have had "parts" problem. Bob was not present to report today.

9-19-09: Upper Cumberland Regional Air Show – Bob M. had a meeting with the airport group, and it looks like we have been requested to have two drink booths, as well as our club booth, and a Demo time. Greg G. is still planning to do the club demo. The airport will be charging 10% this year and will do a ticket sale, instead of vendors taking money individually. Current plans are for a FA-18 and C-130 to be there. We will not know about the Stealth until shortly before the event. Bob was not present for a report.

9-26-09: Farm Fly -- Bob. M. will have club members and family out to his farm again for the day. Free flying.

12-10-09: Club Banquet

Be sure to note events on your calendar.

FIELD UPDATE:

- The field was reported to be in general good condition, but still wet. Holly F. again requested that names be sent to him by email to put on the web-site mowing list for 2009. Call Holly to get a substitute if you cannot mow on your scheduled date.
- We have a new lawn mower and roller at the field.
- There has been no new news about the current developments around the flying field. Members are still encouraged to suggest alternate flying sites for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve M. announced that he has purchased stickers for a new frequency board for the lower field. Buddy Qualls agreed to build the board, and will try to have it ready for the Heli Fly-In. John says that he has lexan if needed.

Club members are still welcome to get together and do some building at Jim Casey's house. Bob M. has also kindly offered his home for projects and builds. Contact Jim or Bob to schedule. This is a great way for club members to get together, other than our meetings, and learn new ideas and techniques.

SHOW AND TELL:

Steve M. shared flying tips for wing adjustments on landings.

ADJOURNMENT:

Submitted by:

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