

UCRCS Club Minutes, January 14, 2010

UCRCS's regular club meeting was held January 14th at IWC. Thanks to Bob M. for the comfortable meeting place and storing the drinks for the club. New President Ron Bernhardt welcomed members. There were 22 present. A special welcome was given to new member, Shane Allen. Ron B. has been busy all day, so the meal was great. Vice-President Dave Boles offered to continue to assist with drinks as needed. A special thanks was issued to Dave for his donation of the money from the Raffle of his Christmas prize, which was donated by Cookeville Raceway and Hobbies. The continued services and support provided by Cookeville Raceway & Hobbies and G & L Hobbies was noted, as usual. Some announcements were made concerning upcoming events by other clubs.

Chris K. thanked members for their support, and gave a report on Brenda's progress.

Members were advised that Ron Serafin is still in the hospital, but appears to be doing well.

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. 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. She reminded everyone that AMA and club dues are payable now, and that the Charter and Member information will be completed in March. Dues need to be paid for both to be included.

CLUB OPERATIONS:

Members are encouraged to sign up for the 2010 mowing schedule. We are not mowing yet, but will be soon. Send your name to Holly to put on the list. All who fly need to participate in mowing.

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, on the field board, while flying. Members are encouraged to have spotters on the field, especially when multiple planes are in the air. Due to the shorter days, weekends are popular.

Reminder: We have 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 instructors to make arrangements in advance for training days. Contact information is listed on the web site.

Members were reminded that we have the "Club Trainer" available. The trainer is available to all club members. Give Tony C. a call if needed.

Note: Due to an increase in membership, and many members not being present at meetings, President Ron B. will continue to enact 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.

Remaining awards, left over from 2009, were awarded to those members present.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

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

- Ø Holly F. for the Club's SUPER web-site.
- Ø Dave B. and Bob M. for their assistance with drinks for the club.
- Ø Bob M. for becoming a CD.
- Ø Ron B. for cooking up a great meal.

2010 EVENTS SCHEDULE:

Events for 2010 were suggested for the following dates:

- 4-10-10: UCRCS Swap meet. Tentatively scheduled for the Armory in Cookeville. There will be a \$5.00 admission fee and a \$10.00 table fee. Prizes will be awarded. Ron B. and John Ross will coordinate. Prizes will be awarded.
- 4-17-10: Spring Farm Fly at the Frosty Acres Farm, owned by the Mackie family.
- 5-22-10: Fun Fly at the Club Flying Field. Members agreed that this event will not be sanctioned this year.
- 6-4,5,6-10: Heli Fly-In at the Club Flying Field. Chris K. has the entry fee to turn in for the event and will head up the arrangements.
- 7-24-10: Electric Fly-In at the flying Field.
- 8-21-10: Giant Scale Fly-In at the flying field. Bob M. will be in charge as usual.
- 9-25-10: Fall Farm Fly at the Frosty Acres Farm, owned by the Mackie family.
- 12-9-10: Club Banquet -- Arrangements to be made later.
- TBD: Float Fly

Be sure to note event dates on your calendar.

FIELD UPDATE:

- The field was reported to be in general good condition, but wet. Holly F. requests that names be sent to him by email to put on the web-site mowing list for 2010 - 2011. Call Holly to get a substitute if you cannot mow on your scheduled date. All field renovations are on hold, due to the continued wet weather.
- 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.
- Ron B. stated that he has donated building materials, which may be used to add on to our storage space at the field. There was some discussion about building a covered area over the board on the field. We had previously discussed getting another shelter for that area, since we had decided to leave the existing shed in its current location. No decision was made in any area.
- John R. will store the mower at his house for the rest of the winter, as there is concern about leaving it at the field.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chris K. is in the process of getting his CD, and may oversee our next Heli Event. The event fee needs to be turned in to secure our date.

The collection basket for our meals was started with this meeting, and appears to be a success. We will continue to have a "kitty basket" out for donations for contributions to pay for our meals at future meetings, due to our high expenses in this area

Bob. Mackie will head up a field trip to the Beechcraft Museum on 2-20-10. Members will meet and carpool there. Details will be discussed at the February meeting.

Members discussed a location for possible indoor flying, since the weather continues to be cold and wet. Bob Mackie will check out possible locations and fees for members. This will be up to the individual if you wish to participate. Contact Bob for further details.

Bob M. is still looking into costs for a possible fabric runway at the flying field. All work at the field is on hold due to the continued wet weather, including other possible improvements discussed.

A motion was made and voted upon to have a Swap Meet on 4-10-10. The rates for the Armory are reasonable, and the location is good. \$100 in prizes was voted on. There will be a \$5.00 admission fee and a \$10.00 table fee. Holly will prepare a flyer for the event. Ron Bernhardt and John Ross will coordinate.

Club members are still welcome to get together and do some building at Jim Casey's house, as he has a nice heated garage, which is perfect for Winter projects. Bob M. has also kindly offered his home for projects and builds, since he is home more during the cold season. Contact Jim or Bob to schedule. Phone numbers are on the web site. This is a great way for club members to get together, other than our meetings, and learn new ideas and techniques.

SHOW AND TELL:

We had multiple demos tonight: Jim Casey gave a demo on making flexible hinges for wing flaps; Bob Metzger brought one of his new competition planes; Doug Graves brought his new designed wing plane; Ron Bernhardt displayed his new gas engine; and Dannie Thompson brought one of his planes.

The next club meeting will be February 11th at IWC.

ADJOURNMENT:

Submitted by: [Maryann Smith](#)