

Barnstormer Minutes
April 3, 2003

President Max Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Willis Community Center. There were 42 members and 4 guests present. Guests were introduced and the minutes of the March meeting were approved as published in the Prop Wash.

Treasurer Ray Kohn provided the cash balance amount. The club books were available at the front table. We are in good financial condition but major projects must be deferred until the annual dues are paid.

Editor Pam Kohn identified each company which had provided this month's raffle items. She also thanked Mrs. Jim Goebel for providing two of her late husband's kits for the raffle.

Vice President Bear Hebert gave the Field Committee report: The first of the new 3-person work crews, led by Jim Andrews, did a great job of clean up. Maintenance crew lists through March '04 will soon be posted at the field. Saturday, April 5, will be a club workday.

Max Taylor asked where the giant ice bucket, found last month stored in the clubhouse, had come from. Kirk Jensen reported that this was a gift to the club from Larry's Hobbies last year.

Max also asked Jack Evans to be the librarian for the magazines and other reading material presently accumulating in the kitchen.

Ray Kohn provided a chart talk to summarize the issues involved regarding the complaint from our neighbor that we are over-flying his house. Ray reviewed material provided by the AMA on landowner's rights, the implications of trespass, and the AMA recommendation that clubs get written fly-over permission. Ray displayed a diagram of our land and the surrounding properties. He then overlaid this with diagrams of the typical sport flying footprint as well as the AMA air space requirements for Pattern and IMAC competition. These showed we are tight for sport flying, marginally beyond boundary for Pattern, and well beyond our property limits for IMAC. Discussion followed. President Taylor asked that any member-proposed solutions to the problem be submitted to the Executive Committee. Don Ramsey then presented a proposal for an East-West runway addition for future consideration.

Old Business - No Pattern or IMAC events are scheduled for this year. There was no Big Bird report. Al Dalnoki reported that the Sailplane Contest will be held on May 17th. This will include 10 minute duration, 4 minute distance, and a demonstration of the new discuss hand launch. Flyers have been distributed to hobby shops. Ken Bauske reminded members that we are having a Barnstormer Fun Fly on April 26 to celebrate the completion of the new pavilion.

Safety Officer Adam Karninkas reported that new "No-Taxi" lines have been marked behind the flight stations. Planes headed for the pits must be shut down and pushed or carried beyond these lines. Adam has also prepared an accident report form, which he would like us to use. President Taylor said that this would be included in the newsletter mailing for member consideration. Max also cautioned us against high-speed passes down the runway. These are only permissible beyond the east edge of the runway.

New Business- Barnstormer membership was approved for Kerry Lee. Max advised us that if we want to have our E-mail address on the web site, then we should notify Richard Pursley. He also said we need to consider E-mail distribution or web posting of the Prop Wash and club rules proposals. Discussion followed.

Show and Tell- Steve Tinsley: Wattage Electric Sukhoi. 30" wing, only 140 sq in., 14 oz., with 4 servos, not yet flown.

Bob Upton: Great Planes 33 % Extra 330 (a.k.a. 300 LX) from kit. 103", Fuji 85 twin, 5.2 c.i. swinging 26x10. Nelson covering, SuperPoxy with Poly U clear by Tinsley, 8 digital servos, pullpull with rudder boost tab. 26.5 pounds.

Ray Kahn: Great Planes Slow Poke Sport.40 ARF. See April Prop Wash article. Great flyer.

Gene Dobesh: Pica Dualist. 2 Rossi 40's, 60", 8 pounds, MonoKote. A Dave Platt designed twin that can do the full pattern. Built in 1990. Has RhomAire retracts.

Attendance Jackpot and RaffleRaffle winner: Paul Langner

Slow Poke 40 ARF: Herb Newstrom

Bob Smith Industries CA package: George Grock

Bob Smith Industries Epoxy package: Bob Bissell

Marks Models Wanderer: Butch Nye

Model Dynamics Gryphon: Gene Dobesh

Meeting Adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Ken Bauske - Secretary