

Barnstormer Meeting Minutes  
August 7, 2003

President Max Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The Willis Community Center was very warm inside. In spite of this, there were 34 members and 5 guests present.

Guests were introduced and Max gave a report on the condition of one of our ailing members. He also read aloud a nice thank you note from Hilda Sonnier for the flowers the club sent to Ollie's funeral.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published in the Prop Wash. Ray Kohn provided his Treasurer's report. Our cash balance is quite high; however, about 50 people have not renewed their membership yet. The due date for renewal was August 1. Ray displayed an updated raffle chart for us. Raffle proceeds are still going up because Editor Pam Kohn has been able to get so many donations from manufacturers and suppliers. In addition, member Charles Hirsch has donated many items, which President Taylor has been able to sell at club meetings and on the Internet. Some of the Hirsch items are also to be included in the club raffle.

Other charts showed the results of the Attendance Jackpot (only one winner so far), new membership by year, and the distribution of membership by months in the club.

Editor Pam Kohn thanked the donors who provided this month's raffle items. Du-Bro and Bob Smith Industries once again are contributors. In addition, member Charles Hirsch has given us several items, including this month's feature prize, a Hobbico Twinstar ARF.

Max and Jack Evans provided the field report. The field is in good condition. Don Ramsey recently rolled it, and Jack has been cutting weeds and trimming. In the absence of VP Harold Hebert, it was decided that there would be no Saturday workday on August 9. No members protested.

Scott Mrosko was called upon to give the Electric Fun Fly report. He said that new member Troy Montague had given us four fine new worktables, which he built himself and hauled to the field. Troy is also constructing a charging table for the electric planes. (Troy was not at the meeting or he would have been given a big Barnstormer 'Thank You. ') Scott also asked if anyone would volunteer to build a donated electric ARF, to be given as an event prize, or raffled.

At this point Scott has a "handful" of Barnstormer members who have volunteered to help put on the fun fly. He needs more. Horizon Hobbies and Interstate Batteries have agreed to support the event. Jon Bartoshek informed us that when he visited Hobby Lobby recently he learned that the owners of Hobby Lobby are also coming. Bob Bissell discussed some of his problems in providing food for this event as well as the Big Bird one week later. In addition to guessing what the weather will be, he has to estimate food quantities for a new type of event, the popularity of which is unknown. Bob is looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen.

OLD BUSINESS: The meeting was opened for discussion of the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws, which had been distributed to the entire membership for review. Secretary Ken Bauske moved that the new C&BL be accepted as distributed. Discussion followed. There being no amendments offered, President Taylor called for a vote on the motion. The new version of the Constitution and By Laws was approved.

NEW BUSINESS: Max reminded us that the annual AMA ballot for District 8 officers would be coming soon. When we have voted, we should be sure to send the completed ballot to the specified counting location and not to the AMA itself.

Jon Bartoshek displayed a little Barnstormer sticker that could be placed on our aircraft if we so desire. A supply of these had been used up several years ago but can be obtained again. Jon asked us to think about whether we wanted to order some or not. They are 48 cents apiece from his source, but may be cheaper from elsewhere.

Show & Tell: Keith Rymal- Morris Hobbies Pen Knife. From a kit. OS FX 32 with an 1113. Fully sheeted, 4 pounds. Beautiful MonoKote job. Not yet flown. Built on the dining room table in two weeks' time.

Rudy Rymal - Great Planes Pitts Special 1/3 scale ARF. 68-inch wingspan. US 41 with C & H ignition, Quad 52 carbo Swings an 18/8 APC at 7800 rpm. 16 pounds. Not yet flown. Because the dining room table was not available, this plane was assembled on Rudy's bed.

Max Taylor - P-51 donated to the club by member Kerry Lee. Has flaps, retracts, 6 Futaba 3003 servos. Will be auctioned at next month's meeting.

ATTENDANCE JACKPOT & RAFFLE: The winner would have been Tariq Shah, but he was not present at the meeting. The jackpot rolls over to the next meeting.

\*Hobbico TWINST AR ARF- Gene Dobesh \*Charles Hirsch  
COI'v'IBO-PACKAGE- John Avant \*Du-Bro Swivel Ball Link  
12 pk- Max Taylor

\*Du-Bro Safety Lock Kwik-Link 12 pk- Herb Newstom \*Du-Bro  
Super Strength Servo Arms- Larry Asaro \*Du-Bro Adjustable  
Motor Mount- Adam Kaminskas \*Du-Bro Low Bounce Wheels-  
Al Dalnoki

\*BSI CA Twin Pack- Gene Dobesh

Charles Hirsch Bonus Raffle Winners- Langner, Walter, Bauske, Houser, and McCants (twice).

Du-Bro Bonus Raffie Surprise- 14 people shared the 16 prizes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Ken Bauske  
Secretary