



AMA Charter 1605

October 2009

# THE PROP WASH

## Club Officers

- *President-*  
Doug Van Orman
- *Vice President -*  
Eric Disardi
- *Secretary -*  
Larry Bonnette
- *Treasurer -*  
Dick Pursley
- *Editor/Webmaster -*  
Larry Bonnette



Doug Van Orman

## PRESIDENTS CORNER

(FROM THE PRESIDENT)

Till Next Time...

Doug

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Got something you would like to share?

Send Larry your stories, product reviews, or anything that would be of interest to the club.



Eric DeSardi

# Eric Speaks

(The Vice President's Input)

Well we were able to get some wee&feed down before the rain and BEST event. The grass is nice and green right now and I hope the weeds are going away. I still have more ant granules to put down, but we need a few dry days before that can be put down.

For those interested, the Racing pylons have been reinstalled, and I'd like to start the "Pylon Day" up again as long as the weather permits, on the first Saturday of the month. Just contact me for more info.

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# Meeting Minutes

(The Secretary's Report)



Larry Bonnette

## Barnstormers Minutes for October 2009

October 1, 2009

Started: 7:27 PM

Members Present: 29

- President Doug Van Orman called the meeting to order.
- The September minutes were accepted by the members after a brief discussion about its contents. One member pointed out some minor flaws. Larry Bonnette agreed to make corrections.
- Our Safety Officer Rich Arnold reported that it was a safe month. However, Max Taylor mentioned that he had been bitten by the dog that belongs to the woman in the trailer. When asked to explain what happened Max stated "The dog bit me". The group discussed the situation and the president decided that he would call the woman in the trailer and ask her to "Please restrain her dog". Max gave Doug her cell phone number.
- Our Vice President Eric DeSardi reported that, In preparation for the BEST event, coming up on October 10, he had put "Weed and Feed" on the field and also a dose of ant killer.
- Doug Asked Mike Wood if he was able to obtain the new speakers for the event and he said he did. He was able to find a nice set at Radio Shack.
- Kirk Jensen mentioned that he would like to see the field mowed and rolled just prior to the event. Eric said he would do that.
- Our Treasurer, Dick Pursley reported that he will change the combination right after the BEST event. Dick also stated that most members have renewed their membership and that the paid membership now stands at 143.
- Dick asked the members to weigh in on an issue he had with a member that had paid his dues but did not renew his AMA. He wanted to know how we felt about allowing this member to continue his membership once he had renewed his AMA. After some discussion the members present agreed that the member should be allowed to continue his membership once his AMA was all paid up.
- One thing that came out of the discussion was that when people that you don't know are flying at the field. It is OK to ask politely if they are a member of the club. It is our responsibility ( all club members ) to make sure that only AMA members be allowed to fly.
- A question was asked: "How do we allow non AMA members to fly ?" The answer is that there are four members that carry an AMA "Intro Pilot Program" endorsement. Only those pilots are allowed to fly non AMA members at our field.
- Kirk reported that the BEST is on the 10th and that he still needs volunteers.

## Minutes (continued)

- Dick Pursley had one more question for the group. That question was: "If the meeting raffle is to break even. What should he do if it doesn't ?" IE either not enough money or too much money is taken in? The answer was discussed and he now knows what to do.
- Dick Pursley had one more comment. The cleaning lady had to quit but the executive committee hired a new one. The question was. Does the club still want to have someone clean the bathrooms and club house? The members voted and the measure passed to keep the cleaning lady.
- Doug asked the members if they thought we should keep the phone at the field. The answer was yes.
- Max was asked if he had any report on the 5 year plan for club improvements. He said he did not. But, he would have some recommendations either next month or the month after. Max did mention that some decisions would have to be made about the Sears tractors and that he would like to see the club purchase a nice zero turning radius mower.
- Doug asked Max if the club could use some leaf blowers. Max said yes so Doug donated one to the club.
- Dick told the members that it was time for his annual audit. He needs volunteers to conduct it.
- Terry Foote said that the Officer Election committee had candidates for the upcoming Barnstormer officer election. These candidates are:

President:

Gary Baumgartner

Keith Jarvis

Vice President:

Max Taylor

Bruce Bradley

Secretary:

Larry Bonnette

Editor:

Larry Bonnette

Treasurer:

Dick Pursley

- Members are reminded that any member can nominate any other member for any position. Candidates are asked to prepare a short speech about their qualifications to be delivered at the next meeting.
- Terry Foote also mentioned that he would like to manage a fun fly to be held in November. Details will be worked out and revealed at the next meeting.
- Rick Rees was voted in as our newest member. Welcome Rick !!
- Stan Cox visited us and has a son that would like to fly with his dad.

## Minutes (continued)

- Gary Baumgartner won the can of fuel.
- Robert Curtis name was drawn for the "attendance cash" He was not there so the cash continues until next month.
- Gary Baumgartner won the "Name Tag" award.
- Meeting Adjourned: 8:44

Since there is a little space left over I have a few items that I would like to talk about. The first is the web site. There is a "For Sale" page on the site. Currently there is nothing on it. It is a pretty effective way to rid your self of unwanted items. There were five items listed in the last two months and every one sold within a few weeks. If you would like to post items on this page. Please send me E-Mail with a picture, a short description of the item, your asking price and a way to get a hold of you ( normally your E-Mail address ). My E-Mail address is bonnette\_l@yahoo.com .

The Web Site belongs to all of the members. If there is something you would like to see up there or something that you would like to see modified. Please send me E-Mail with the suggestions.

Articles for both the Web Site and the Prop Wash should be submitted to me via E-Mail. If it is a Prop Wash article please have it to me before the 15th of the month because the Prop Wash is published on the 16th. Articles for the Web Site can be submitted at any time. By the way, because of copyright laws these articles must be original (IE you wrote them) and not copied from any other web site or other publications. Additionally the articles should be related to our hobby.

Thanks

Larry



Dick Pursley

## Dick's Doin's

(Treasury Report)

From the Treasurer

Hey folks

Another month has come and gone. Here we are in October. Membership renewal went very well this year. Less than 6% have not paid yet. If by some chance, you are one of the few that have not paid, according to our constitution and by-laws, your name must be removed from the active roster. You have October and November to get your dues in and the executive committee can re-instate you. After that, you basically have to start over as a new member. (Not exact word-for-word from the constitution, but an accurate summary). For everyone that has (or will) paid their dues, don't forget to renew your AMA before the end of the year! You **MUST** be up to date on your AMA to fly. I plan on changing the lock combinations on Friday, October 18. This is the Friday after the BEST. The

combination was on your dues receipt. If you have not received your receipt, either I just recently got your dues, or you could be one of the 6% who forgot. Let me know if you did not get a receipt and I will re-send it (assuming you are paid up). I will maintain my office of Treasurer for 2010 assuming the membership wants me too. Be sure and come to the November meeting. We will be voting on our officers for 2010.

Until next month,  
Dick Pursley

Hey guys,

This is **YOUR** newsletter. We want it to be something you enjoy getting. We also need **YOUR HELP!!!**

**PLEASE** send us articles to include in upcoming issues.



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# DON'T FORGET

TRI-COUNTY BARNSTORMER  
CLUB MEETINGS ON THE FIRST  
THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE

# November 5th