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Gary Baumgartner

PRESIDENTS CORNER

From el Presidente

THE GERITOL GANG

The Geritol Gang. You know. The guys that are at the field every Tuesday and Thursday. They work tirelessly to keep the field in shape. Give them your thanks. There is always something to do to keep our facility in the great shape that we have come to expect. I certainly appreciate their efforts.

Big Bird is just around the corner. April 30 and May 1 to be exact. Come on out. Have a good time. Buy some planes (I have some "it could be yours"). Help with the event. There is always a lot to do. You will not be bored.

And now, who said the following? Two raffle tickets to the first person with the correct answer. You must show up at the next meeting to claim your tickets or they go to the second correct answer. So, here it is:

"There are joys too great to be described in words, and there have been grief's upon which I have not dared to dwell, and with these in mind I say, climb if you will, but remember that courage and strength are nothing without prudence, and that a momentary negligence may destroy the happiness of a lifetime. Do nothing in haste, look with each step, and from the beginning think what may be the end."

If you know the answer, contact me. I am the sole judge of this contest.

My email is: thetoolman@consolidated.net

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Meetings are at the Conroe Friendship Center on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM

We hope to see you there.



Max Taylor

Words from the VP

(The Vice President's Input)

Two letters from my U. S. Senators arrived the past few days assuring me that they support the amendment specifying a "Special Rule for Model Aircraft" in Senate Bill S.223.

If you have written your elected representatives about the proposed FAA Rulemaking, I thank you, if not please contact them and let them know where you stand.

Our Annual Big Bird event is coming up the end of the month, and I am planning a "work day" for April 23rd, one week prior to the event. I know that is Easter week-end and some of you will not be available. If you have some spare time prior to that Saturday, Feel free to do some house cleaning, such as sorting and storing all the cans of paint that are presently scattered thru the barn and in the kitchen/club house area. Some of the paint may not be usable and will need to be disposed of properly. If some of you can sort it out, I will take care of the disposal. I hope to get most of the work done early, so all we have to do the Friday before the event is final mowing and setup things like the sound system.

On Saturday April 9th, Bill Malone and Steve Coppin worked most of the morning painting some of the Pipes we use for parking bumpers. THANK YOU BILL and STEVE. We have more yellow paint and rollers in the barn, if some others want to contribute some time.

Hope to see you at the field soon

Max

Meeting Minutes

(The Secretary's Report)



Larry Bonnette

7-April-2011

Members present: 28

Meeting Start: 7:30

President Gary Baumgartner called the meeting to order.

There were no visitors

The March meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Vice president Max Taylor reported that the water heater has been replaced and that there is a timer on the wall in the club house that can be set so that it does not remain "on" all the time. This will save the club some money. Max stated that the water cooler is working and ready for use. Max said that the club work day (first Saturday after the monthly meeting) would not happen this month because he would like to move the work day closer to the "Big Bird" in order to prepare the property for the event. In the mean time Max would like us to work on anything that you see that needs to get done.

Gary reported that his brother is still in the hospital (after the motorcycle accident) and will remain there for quite some time.

Paul Langer won the "who said this" contest and received two free raffle tickets. Gary places a quote in each "Prop Wash" and awards a prize of two raffle tickets to the first club member to correctly identify the author.

Gary Baumgartner and Perry Baycroft visited the Huntsville schools to participate in the "School Enrichment Day". They gave 5 forty-five minute presentations on the subject of the model aircraft hobby. Gary and Perry invited all of the attendees to visit the "Big Bird" event.

Gary said that he has invited the Boy Scouts to visit the field sometime in June. (June 11 or 18). The scouts were also invited to the "Big Bird".

Ken Bauske thanked Gary and Perry for their participation in the Huntsville school event. The members present applauded.

Adam reported that there were no safety issues to report.

Old Business

Dick Pursley had proposed an additional set of walkways be added between the flight preparation apron and the north side of the pavilion. The second walkway would be between the flight preparation apron and the existing pilot station walkway. Additionally the south side of apron would be enlarged for more aircraft. (Gary had a diagram of the proposal for members to inspect)

Minutes (continued)

The club received a quote for property preparation, and concrete of \$2500. During the discussion regarding the work some members thought that it would also be nice to have a walkway on the north side of the flight stations to the apron. Gary said he had thought of that during the discussion with the concrete vendor and that he was told that the entire job could be done for \$3700. Jim Moore asked if the job was "Turn Key" IE All work would be done by the concrete vendor (property prep etc) and Gary said yes.

A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to add the following to next month's agenda: Vote to spend \$3700 for added concrete walkways to the flight stations as well as increasing the south side of the apron to accommodate larger and or more aircraft.

Gary asked if the club wanted to buy an additional power supply for the electric flyers bench (to be used as a backup) at a cost of \$223. A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to purchase the power supply.

Jim Moore reported that the "Big Bird" preparations are going well. He reminded members that he will need many members to assist him during this event. Please volunteer if you can.

A new member Walter Pokorski was voted into the club. Welcome Walter !

A member mentioned that the newly painted aircraft benches at the field were beginning to get stained from fuel. The club asks that if you spill fuel on the benches or your aircraft leaks onto the benches. Please wipe it off.

Model of the month was won by Ken Bauske

The attendance award would have been won by O.J. Porras but he was not there so the prize rolls over to next month.

The Name Tag award was won by Paul Langer.

Gary stated that they were dedicating the new "Flag Park" in Conroe on 4/21 at 5:30

Kirk Massey provided the club members with a great demonstration and discussion on how to solder. Kirk did a great job and shared many of his very useful techniques with the members.

Meeting adjourned: 8:54



Dick Pursley

Dick's Doin's

Hi folks,

The bank account is fine and our membership is approaching the 150 mark again. All is well in those respects.

I missed the last meeting, but I had one contractor come out and look at doing some concrete work. The estimate was presented (by Gary on my behalf) at the meeting. After which, one of our members who does this type of work offered to give us an estimate as well. Hopefully, he can do it as we would all like to 'keep things in the family' as it were. Anyway, the project was approved to be placed on the agenda for next month's meeting for discussion and approval vote.

Happy flying!!!

Dick



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CLUB MEETINGS ON THE FIRST
THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE

May 5th