



THE PROP WASH

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Kirk Jensen

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Hello Barnstormers,

The BEST event is getting close. If you have not attended this event, come on out as a flyer or as a spectator. We typically have about 70 registered pilots and hundreds of aircraft. Some of the most unique and weirdest stuff you will certainly find at BEST. We also have a pretty good warbird flight with 20+ planes in the air, and flying wing, full combat each day with the most aggressive getting a winning plaque.

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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.

Please stay in touch with the club with regards to the proposed Entergy power line they wish to run along the north end of our property. We need to have as many voices as possible involved at meetings etc. Max Taylor has un-officially been the go-to for information on this and we thank him greatly.

**Robert Daffin**

Words from the VP

(The Vice President's Input)

Howdy fellow Barnstormers,

September is upon us and it's been hot! As always we still need help with field maintenance. Please get with me or Max about helping out. Along with the heat also comes a bigger chance for heat stroke! Please be careful when at the field and be sure to stay hydrated.

The heat has also dried out the ground enough to cut the hay at the field. It is being cut in sections to make my life easier. While cutting hay we found the base of a model rocket. I do not know if it was launched from our facility or a neighbors but it could have led to a fire. As dry as it is, please be vigilant in policing up parts of aircraft that have reached their expiration date.

Hope everyone has a great month. Have safe flights and happy landings!
Till next month,

Robert Daffin

Meeting Minutes

(The Secretary's Report)



Larry Bonnette

August 4, 2016
Present: 36
Start: 7:30 PM

Meeting called to order by Vice President Robert Daffin

July meeting minutes were approved unanimously

Safety officer Gary Baumgartner said that there were no safety issues to report. But after hearing about possible spiders in the frequency pins. He suggested that members who grab a frequency pin be careful.

Robert Daffin reported that the field looked good and that he thanks all of the members who participate in the mowing and grounds upkeep. Max commented that since BEST is coming up that we should continue to keep up with the mowing and field maintenance. Volunteers are always welcome.

Gary reported that there was a new phone at the field in the pavilion near the pump room.

Someone suggested that Rule 336 be posted at the field. Keith Jarvis said he would do that.

Treasurer Sam Barrett reported that the treasury is in good condition. We have paid our 9th payment on the field. Sam also stated that next year we should have enough money in the treasury to make him feel comfortable with the loan payments.

The members discussed the planned 233KV power lines that may be constructed near our field. There will be 3 meetings this month and Robert said he would attend one of them and report next month.

There will be night flying tonight.

4 new members were unanimously voted into the club. Jimmie Bridges, Orville Jolly, Mark Taylor and Lowell Babb. Welcome !

Keith Jarvis asked if members were interested in a "War Bird" event. Keith said he would investigate potential dates and report back next month.

BEST is coming up on October 1 and 2. We need volunteers Please !

Minutes (continued)

A member asked that the club refrain from hanging banners that obstruct the view of the field.

Another member asked that we ban dogs from the event. He stated that they were a danger to the aircraft.

Another member asked if the club could install lights in the pavilion.

Model of the month was won by David McMartin.

Jared Douglas would have won the attendance jackpot. But.....

Jimmy Andrews won the name tag award.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM



Sam Barrett

The Treasurers Report

It is already August 2016 and we have made payment number nine on the runway loan; only 51 more to go. The Treasury remains strong and with the dues collection currently underway, we will be essentially default proof on our loan, barring catastrophic storm or fire.

We have over a third of the membership dues already in the bank. There is a 60 day grace period in our by-laws that allow members 60 days to pay dues before being dropped from the club and have to pay a new initiation fee to rejoin the club, as any new member does. If you let your membership lapse, you also reset your membership start date. This means if the club dissolves, your share of the disposition of club assets

will be smaller because you will have less months of continuous membership. While it is not likely we will dissolve the club, members who join and drop out often will pay more in initiation fees and lose much in the distribution of club assets.

If you have paid your dues, you will get an email or hard copy of your paid invoice along with membership stickers to put on your AMA card and the new combo for the gate and clubhouse. If you pay your dues at the monthly meeting, you will get the stickers and get combo when you pay. Because of the 60 day grace period, we do not change the gate combo in August. The BEST event, which is traditionally held the first weekend in October, is at the end of the 60 day grace period. Therefore, we will change the gate combo to the 2017 code that weekend. When the BEST event closes and the gate is locked, it will take the new combo to open it again. I have to remind members quite often that the new code isn't active the day it is received, so please keep the number in your wallet, until October.

When you paid your dues, you got two Barnstormers member stickers. One of these is to be put on your AMA card right away. The other sticker is to be kept, to put on your new AMA card in December, when AMA memberships expire and renewed with a new card. Even AMA members with multiple year memberships get a new card every December. So, don't forget to renew your AMA in December, or you can't fly in January. No current AMA means NO FLYING, even if your club membership is current. It is like driving without liability insurance. Suffice to say, we do not take this lightly.

The heat index is way up this month and the sun very intense. Take care to wear skin and eye protection while flying at the field. Safety can make fun, even more enjoyable.



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

NEXT MEETING WILL BE

September 1st