



THE PROP WASH

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Corey Lazrine

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Hello Everyone,

The Big Bird Event that was scheduled for this weekend will be postponed until later this year due to unforeseen work commitments. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

If you have the opportunity to help in the mowing please do so, we can all do our part in keeping the field looking great.

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I hope everyone has been enjoying the hot and dry conditions during this Summer. Please remember to stay hydrated, and watch for signs of any heat exhaustion.

Happy Flying,
Corey Lazrin

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

**We hope to see you
there.**



Steve Sartor

Words from the VP

The mowing season is going well, the job is getting done, however, we're just not getting the cooperation we need from the membership. Too often, the weekly mowing is being done by just one or two individuals. Please, if you have not given a day (just one) at the field for mowing you need to do so. .. please.

I've talked to James Crumley again and he will make every effort to mow the hay (?) before Big Bird. Sam is working on a simple contract so James can feel comfortable making an investment in both time and money on our field in exchange for the hay crop.

I'd also like to thank the individual that painted the door to our clubhouse. Keep up the good work and let me know if you need to be reimbursed for the materials.

Again, let's all support our club by giving one day a year to field maintenance. You should all receive an email each week with the date, time, and name of the coordinator for our weekly field maintenance. Be a part of the 10%. (that would be the 10% that does 90% of the work)

Fly Safely

Steve Sartor

Meeting Minutes



Larry Bonnette

Barnstormer Meeting Minutes for June 7, 2018

Steve Sartor (Vice President) called meeting to order at 7:30 pm. President Cory was MIA.

May minutes were approved.

One visitor present.

Treasurer reported finances are good. Membership invoices to go out end of July.

Gary Baumgartner is the new Safety Officer as a result of the resignation of Brandon Phillips. Gary requested that the mulching cover be put back on the small mower to prevent debris and rocks being discharged from the mower deck that might inflict injury. Gary reported that he had the fire extinguishers serviced. Also, Gary checked the defibrillator and the oxygen units and found them in good condition.

Steve Sartor reported that the field is in good condition. Steve was asked about the hay man and he said nothing has been resolved. We have requested that a contract be written and presented for our approval.

Steve Tinsley showed items that he found in the grass and batteries found on a starter stand. These is concern regarding items left that can be thrown by mowers. Also, batteries left in the heat may become a fire hazard. Please take all your items when you are done at the field. My mother is no longer available to clean up after us. This item is considered a safety.

Old Business-

- The incident that has been discussed at the last two meetings was just received by the Grievance Committee on Tuesday before this meeting. Will be resolved and reported on by next meeting.
- A bid was received for electrical work. Primary work is to provide electrical outlets at the work benches. Membership present requested more details be firmed up. Goal is to have ready for BEST.

New Members- Greg Marshall and Matthew Shaunty were voted into the member ship.

Technical Session- Steve Tinsley showed how to make supports to transport a fuselage that does not have wheels.

Model of Month- there were three planes presented. Gary Baumgartner won with his way cool 10cc Hangar 9 Ultra Stick. It has a unique speed control that must be seen to be appreciated.

Minutes (continued)

Name tag drawing was won by Curtis Kelton.

Attendance prize- no winner, carries over to next month.

BIG BIRD- 23 and 24th of this month. Show up. Fly. Have fun.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by substitute secretary Gary Baumgartner



Sam Barrett

The Treasurers Report

It is June 2018. We have made our 31st runway payment and only 29 more to go. The treasury is currently in solid shape and the club paid membership is currently 173 members.

The weather is warming up and that means flying is picking up as well. It also means mowing and keeping up the field. We will be sending out notices for mowing crews, so be watching your email on Thursdays and Fridays to see who is leading the efforts and whether it's on Friday or Saturday. We aren't all retired so, if the mowing coordinator is a worker bee, we will probably be mowing on Saturday morning. When at the field, remember, we do not have trash service at the field. Please take home

all trash that you create or someone will have to pick that trash up before they can mow or clean the clubhouse.

Big Bird 2018 is coming up this month and you won't want to miss this event, especially if you are a new member. There are some really cool 3D and large conventional models being flown at these events. Also some neat prizes and concession to add to the fun. Check out our website for additional event information. Also be advised that the field will be restricted to event flying with event qualifying aircraft only.

We have new members so I want to remind the new and old members to spin the lock dials after opening our locks. Don't leave the combo showing on an open lock for non-members to see. Also, lock the clubhouse, including restrooms when leaving and last one to leave the field has to lock the gate. If you think you are last one leaving, lock it!

Don't forget to check our website out frequently. Events and other useful information is posted there and checking out the field cam will let you know if you will be flying alone or if the field is humming with fellow pilots. The field cameras have been updated and the current weather conditions are also shown on the "Camera" menu selection, right under the field photo frame. With all the construction going on IH-45, you might also check the traffic reports on the local TV channels or you could be sitting, rather than flying!

Check your AMA expiration date! Many folks are caught by surprise by the new expiration policy of AMA. Used to be that your AMA expired December 31st every year. Now, your expiration date is dependent on when you joined AMA and is a one year period. Every month we have members expiring and that could cause problems. Flying without AMA coverage is prohibited at our field as we are an AMA Chartered Field. Flying without AMA coverage could lead to your financial ruin, if you have an accident causing property damage, injury or death. It only takes a minute to be sure you are covered, so check it!



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

NEXT MEETING WILL BE

July 5th