

September 3 2020

Present: 30 (in Zoom meeting)

Start: 7:30 PM

The September 2020 meeting of the Tri-County Barnstormers was called to order by President Ray Mathis.

The meeting was held virtually using the Zoom web meeting platform. There are 30 meeting participants in the meeting room.

Ray asked members to vote on accepting the August meeting minutes. The minutes were accepted unanimously by a voice vote.

Treasurer Sam Barrett reported the treasury to be in good shape. He said that dues are still coming in and the club currently has about 160 members. Sam also reported that some of the mail he has sent to members has not been getting to its destination.

Ray told members that Rebecca DiGregorio was the recipient of the clubs helping hands award. Congratulations Rebecca.

Larry reported that the problem with the weather station is a bad solar charging board. A new one is on order and should be in in about a week.

Dick Jones reported that the club needs people to volunteer to mow. Max proposed that the club implement a "work day" on the Saturday that occurs after the monthly meeting. Members discussed the idea and decided to start having a "work day" on every Saturday that occurs after the meeting at 9:00 am. So, there is a "work day" this Saturday (9/5). All members are expected to attend.

Ray said there is a wasp nest on the club house.

Ray asked for volunteers to be members of a club officer committee. No one volunteered. Kirk Jensen said he would like to run for President. Ray Mathis, Dick Jones and Larry Bonnette all said that they were retiring from their posts. That means the club needs a President, Vice President and Secretary/ Newsletter editor for the 2021 season.

Jay Wright said that all new members must contact him once they have joined.

New members were discussed and two new members were voted into the club unanimously. Welcome Glenn and Colby Wyres.

Noise and noise limits at the club were discussed. Ray stated that the club received several reports of noise and overflights of which five of the complaints occurred on Saturdays. Ray emphasized that members must really take these complaints seriously and do their best to quiet their aircraft and stay away from our neighbor's property line. When asked when the last complaint occurred Ray stated that it was on August 29 at 12:45 PM. The neighbor's E-mail stated that two red and white aircraft were flying over their property and threatened to call the Sheriff. The members discussed this at length with many

suggestions on how to quiet their engines and suggestions on how to approach the overall problem. Ray and others warned members that "Noise" is the number 1 reason for the loss of flying sites.

Ray mentioned to members that the club seems to be getting a little lax in complying with club rules. He said members have been seen flying against the "pattern" and flying from the runway instead of the flight stations. Members are not calling out their intentions to other pilots while flying together. Ray asked that members try and comply with the rules so that no-one gets hurt.

Members discussed increasing the dues and hiring a crew to take care of the mowing. Most members shot the idea down. But no-one came up with an idea to get people out to help with the mowing.

Someone asked if there were set times and days for certain types of aircraft to fly at the field. The answer is no.

Sam needs two people to volunteer to audit the treasurer. No one volunteered

The Larks club in Louisiana was destroyed by hurricane Laura. A member proposed that our club donate \$300 to the Larks club to help them rebuild. The club voted unanimously to donate \$299.99 to the Larks. Sam will send a check. Keith Jarvis will send Sam the mailing information.

No attendance drawing

No name tag drawing

No model of the month

Meeting adjourned 8:42 PM