

August 2024 Tri-County Barnstormer Meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 9 am August 3th, 2024 at field with 21 members and 2 visitors present.

Secretary report: July minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Treasury report: Bank balance is healthy with all major bills covered till after our next member renewal cycle. Current roster is 131 members however the contact for many club members has become inaccurate. Please reach out to the treasurer at treasurer@tri-countbarnstormers.com to update or fill out a form located in the clubhouse to update your information. Renewal invoices were sent last week of July for the annual club membership. We used the physical mail addresses we had in our files. Lastly remember to check on and renew your AMA before it expires.

Vice President report: With the rain the grass is growing well. An important note about the mowers - do not lower the decks below 2 as it scalps the field. The small tractor was serviced with new belts and the blades were sharpened. The belts had burned up due to grass being packed into the drive system. Use the blower to clean out all the mowing equipment before putting the equipment away. Please volunteer to assist the captains with the weekly efforts at keeping the field in top shape. Use the sign-up sheet and email the VP with your volunteer work activities.

Have tried to get one of the damaged fire extinguishers repaired and have been unable after multiple attempts visiting the local repair shop so will order new extinguishers.

Hay has been harvested enjoy the cleaned up field.

Old business:

2 of the remaining events this year are:

War Bird ~~June 29th & 30th~~ sanctioned with AMA CD Chris Thomas. Postponed to November.

BEST October 4th-6th to be sanctioned with AMA CD Joe Marquardt

Volunteers are needed for the events so please contact the Contest Directors (CD) to assist.

A second vote was held and passed unanimously to spend up to \$13k to remove the wooden deck and install a concrete slab plus add handicap ramps to the foundation and bathroom entrance. Would like a volunteer to be the project manager to assist with the work at the field.

Well water tests at the clubhouse came back normal.

New Business:

1 new member/returning member was voted into the club: Gary Chinnas.

Discussion was held on improved methods of communication to alert members about activities and volunteer opportunities since email may not be reaching everyone in a timely manner. Our treasurer will research some options.

Attendance jackpot winner was Dick Jones who was not present so the prize rolls over to the next month.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15am

Lots of flying, model discussions, and fun commenced after the meeting.