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Notes from the President:

The auction has come and gone! **Thank You** to everyone who helped!

The annual auction is currently our club's biggest fund raiser, and we always seem to have a hand-full of folks who put in a lot of time and labor to make it happen. This year was no exception...when it comes to hard work and effort of a hand full of people...the usual suspects and a few new faces too.

Fred Harvey and his team had the bases covered and a good plan in place...all of his and the team's work made for a pretty smooth event. I would hope that someday we can have a larger majority of club members and local RC flyers help out and participate in the auction, especially since it is our club's "bread and butter." All club members and RC flyers who fly at any of the fields we help maintain benefit from the funds raised every year.

It is hard work...and this year it took place on one of the nicest flying days we have had all year...but if the WRCC is going to have an auction, we should all support it. It takes a commitment of time and energy to go to the auction to volunteer. ...but like the other folks who did show up and pitch in...I felt it was the right thing to do.

With more help...maybe we could have set up a rotation schedule in and out of the auction and a few of the local flying fields that sunny Saturday, and still hosted a great event.

Until Next Time...Flip It & Rip It!

Gene

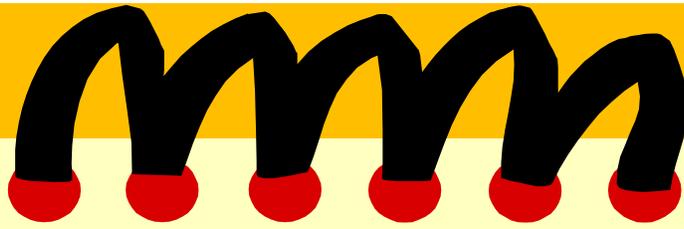


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449 N West St
Wichita, KS 67203
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The WRCC Thanks long-time member George Knapple and his staff at The Hangar of Wichita for helping with the raffle prizes for the February monthly meeting.

George has been a well-known member of the RC flying community for a long time! Thanks again George!

<http://www.rchangar.net/>



A Short Note From Your VP

It's time to start checking your batteries for the up and coming flying season. Charging – cycling – checking for black wire disease – broken connectors, frayed or cracked wires and any other issues you can see with your battery packs. Remember if the battery pack is out of site it may have rubbed and worn through the protective covering and or wires. Always check your batteries condition at least once a flying season. Here are some websites to visit for more information on batteries:

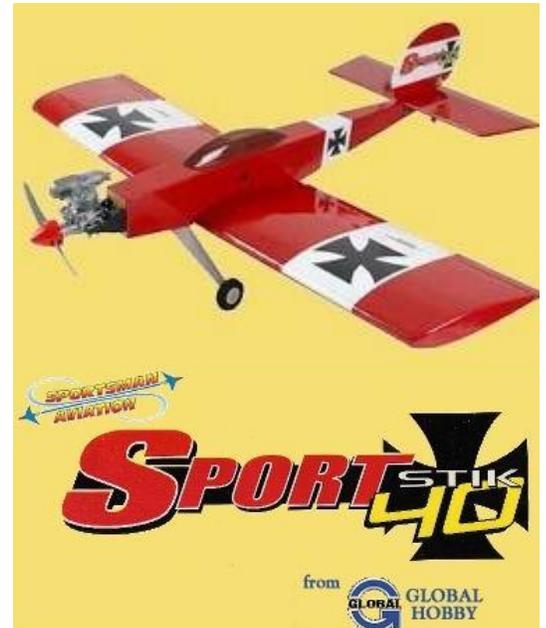
<http://www.rcbatteryclinic.com/>

<http://www.hangtimes.com/nobsbatteries.html>

Happy Flying
Terry Grimes

Check this out!

This will be the “big” raffle prize for the February meeting!



If you saw two guys named Hambone and Flippy, which one would you think liked dolphins most? I'd say Flippy, wouldn't you? You'd be wrong, though. It's Hambone.
-Jack Handey

Flight Training

Flight training continues at Beech field on Tuesdays, and at Chapin on Thursdays. Contact Scott Stoecker at LearnToFly@wichitaradiocontrolclub.org for info.



Share your enthusiasm for RC flying and modeling.



Submit your stories and pictures to the WRCC News! Deadline is two weeks before the next scheduled meeting. E-mail to newsletter@wichitaradiocontrolclub.org. Please include your contact information.

Next WRCC Meeting is Thursday February 26th!

Here are a few items that will be discussed:

- **2009:** events and calendar updates
- **Auction Recap:** Hear how the auction went.
- **Kansas Aviation Museum:** KAM memberships.
- **Raffle:** Who doesn't like to win stuff?
- **Membership Update:** Have you submitted your 2009 application and dues?

January 29, 2009
Kansas Aviation Museum
Meeting began at 7:00

Gene Morse called meeting to order.

Terry Powell gave treasurer report:
Final Auction payment still due.
Motion made to accept treasurer report: seconded and approved.

Secretary Report:
Minutes of December meeting were read to the club.
Motion made to approve minutes as published: seconded and approved.

Recognition of visitors: Welcome Dick Long! He was a member approx. 35 years ago!

Officer reports:

Calendar committee: Terry reminded to send and give him calendar updates. The website has the WRCC and area events calendars. Send him the information for our and other clubs.

Safety report: none

Webpage report: more activity this month than normal. Added a new menu item and new officers updated. A few times have been corrected.

Question for Richard: site shows as 'non-registered name hidden' and is blocked or flagged by some security programs. Are there ways around it? Richard explained that there is a Java Script, if it is accepted it should not be an issue again.

Newsletter report: Denver club having a flyer, if you need the info please contact Dawn

Auction report:

Reminder that auction is a week from Saturday. Tables ordered, things are getting lined up. What is needed now is workers for impound, tables, security, etc.

Buyback items have been charged incorrectly the last couple years. Software is being adjusted for the change.

Kevin needs help with concessions.

Facility is available to us at noon Friday to set up. Sellers can bring their items as early as 2:00. Doors open again at 6:00 am Saturday morning. Items may be brought between 6 and 8am. Auction begins shortly after.

There will be 2 auctioneers.

Approximately 34 sellers registered ahead – more accepted.

Reported that Newton's auction had about 2/3 the number of sellers this year.

Members agreed that economy is likely to have an effect on the sale.

Concern brought up regarding over-charging of sales tax. Recommended an audit of last year's audit, and submit a claim for overpaid taxes to the state. Will follow up. Announcement should be made at the auction as how buy-back items will be handled. (Thank you Darwin Hawkins for doing the research.)

Jumbo Fly report: Bob will have more information in April. Date yet to be set.

Field reports:

Beech: new cards have been ordered, but artwork is pending. New member form has been posted to the web. Beech field cards require current AMA and \$1 fee. Feel free to send your forms now – cards will be send when available.

Chapin: warning that road can be muddy after snow/rain, and off the sides of the road is very soft. Still have over 25% of the 2008 Chapin flyers have not renewed their AMA. This must be done to remain on the Chapin list.

Afton: Survey flags are around the field from some work being done around gas lines there. Flags should be clear by April.

Old Business:

Thanks to Dawn for decorations at the Christmas Party!

New Business:

Gene Morse announced Kansas Aviation Museum has been nominated for the 8 wonders – see that info.

Brandon Ostein sent letter that he has been deployed for the last few months. Gene proposed we cover his 2009 dues and AMA registration.

Motion made to cover, seconded. Approved unanimously.

Scott Stocker donated a printer to the club to go with the club computer. Thanks Scott!!

Vic and Scott had proposed setting a 'reserve' for high-dollar auction items. Will present at a later meeting.

Regarding our meeting facility: room is \$25/meeting. Had mentioned a few months ago paying in advance. Would ask if the club is interested in paying the full-year's meeting rental in advance. May work to see if an employer would match it.

Through further discussion, was agreed that the rent needs to be considered separate from a donation.

Motion made to pay the full year's rent (\$300). Seconded and approved unanimously.

Additional motion made to make a donation to the museum. Motion tabled for now, and will be discussed later in the year.

No special meeting the night before the auction.

Dale Williams agreed to continue as Safety Committee.

Marvin Blankenship asked and agreed to be the field marshal for 2009.

Steering meeting will be

Point brought forward regarding Article 4 of the Constitution. Executive board makes appointments. Discussed by looking at the constitution. Article 4 was read. Section 1, duties, item E was reviewed. Constitution does not require a vote for appointments.

Trig brought up visit with El Dorado Airport. IMAA meet June 27th and 28th of this year. Runways 2-4 will be closed 26th through the 28th. Trig asked that the club sanction the meet. Flyers must be IMAA members to fly, and fly ¼ scale or 80", bi-plane 60, Jets must have 40" wing and length. City will take care of electricity and mowing. Trig will need help with volunteers on the 26th. Lunch will be available Saturday and cookout provided for pilots in the evening. Club has furnished tents. May meeting will include more information.

Motion made and seconded. No discussion. Approved unanimously.

Vic talked about a bunch of hats in the Afton shed. Will be brought in sent to the raffle. Gene asked about other club property like old decorations...club agreed to allow exec. committee to deal with stuff as needed. Keys to Afton shed will given to Gene, Terry, and Marvin.

Would like to clarify details of Auxiliary Memberships in the future.

Break and refreshments time called

Meeting resumed at 8:19.

Terry Grimes ran the show and tell:

Gene Morse, "Duerkson Semi-Scratch".

Kelly Brown, Viper 500 racing plane.

Bob Hernandez, World Models 33% Ultimate ARF

Dale Williams, Happy Fly 20

Vic Kirkpatrick, modified P51 Dago Red ¼-40

Eddingen, CA Speed Pro S60N

Thanks all for sharing your great planes!

Attendance Drawing: Richard Bereman...but he didn't have his nametag on! \$40 next meeting! Wear those nametags.

Raffle prizes this month were bought at HobbyTown USA.

Winners this meeting:

Kelly Brown (3 times)

Terry Grimes (twice!)

Jim Sheilds (three times!!)

Taylor Spangler (twice!!)

Gene Morse

Dawn Morse

Matt Paulson

Fred Harvey

Pimp-Daddy Bob Hernandez

Alex Cox

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.