

## April 2017 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by the President Mark Weeks at approximately 6:30 with 15 members and 2 guests.

Tim Shugrud and his daughter Julia were present

Club Officers were introduced ...

- President - Mark Weeks
- Vice President - Bryan Reightley
- Secretary - Chet Blake - Absent
- Treasurer - Ron Swift
- Safety Officer - Don Bailey
- Field Manager - Jay Bell - absent
- Webmaster - Ron Rueter - absent
- Newsletter Editor - Ron Swift

Mark called for additions or corrections to the minutes as published on the web/newsletter. No corrections were mentioned. The minutes were approved.

## Reports

**VP** - The Wenatchee Flyers are having a Scale event April 15th and 16th

April 22nd is the first night fly of the year starting at 6:00

**Treasurer** - Funds for 2017 are in good shape and on track for budget

**Secretary** - Currently we have 31 paid members

**Safety** - If you need travel off the runway use the buddy system, be careful and watch your footing, they runway can even be slick.

**Field Manager** - Fertilizer and Awning to be installed sometime in the near future. Make sure you roll the gate lock combination when you unlock, also daisy chain with the Scouts lock. Jay will get with Ranger Dave to make sure upper gate is accessible.

**Newsletter Editor** - Hard copies available and your input is needed

**WebMaster** - as always, looking for input

## **Old Business**

WA House Bill 1049, seeking personal info on R/C type aircraft did not go any further.

AMA credits this to the voice of you the membership writing in and speaking to representatives along with the presence of the AMA lobbyist.

Chet has membership cards ready with the new gate combo.

ERMA held their midnight indoor fly-in. Tim went and reported that it was a good time, a midnight flight (no gymnasium lighting) and good food.

With the wettest Feb on record and now thawing snow packs, the field has an unusually high amount of water on it and probably very deep holes. If you have to venture out for a downed aircraft use EXTREME caution. With the higher water tables, everything is masked. Be sure to take a pole with you for probing deep holes. They are stored behind the Frequency Board.

As stated, the mowing list is available on the Club web site [www.BBMAC.net](http://www.BBMAC.net)

The old white refrigerator is working for now. The one that was struck by bullets when someone shot at the door still needs to be scrapped.

## **New Business**

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has established airspace restrictions over 133 military facilities to address national security concerns about unauthorized drone operations. Ron has the full story on the Website

FPV and Safety - Some of us have entered the world of FPV and really fast quads. With this there are bound to be some challenges and safety concerns. Some of what we should start thinking about is a change, or addition to the safety rules. Some discussion followed, nothing concrete yet.

- Spotters
- Flying area
- Develop area on the other side of the barn or horse corral
- Video interference?

Upcoming Events- Make sure you attend these, everyone has a great time even if you do not fly. Come and join us

April 22nd-Night Fly

May 20th-Glider Event

The gate combo has been changed and has been sent out to the membership.

Membership Roster to be added to log book, discussion followed and a suggestion of adding AMA and FAA numbers to it. Reason for doing this if you were to happen to lose a plane having that number on the roster and in/on your plane will help get the correct person notified.

Some of the spring project that need to be done are the field needs spring fertilizer applied, we have a tow behind spreader and as soon as the field is dryer can be used. Also the Awning cover needs to be re-installed once the windy weather calms down

A reminder that the Builders Competition is at the June meeting, it is not too late to finish that model you have been working on complete. Show off your skills

**Announcements** - None

**Program** - Transportation and storage ways to prevent hanger rash and damage

The idea for the program came about to share our ideas with each other to protect our investments. Ted Becker, and Ron Swift brought in a couple of examples of hangers that they have made and Mark took some photos from Darts and Brian Douma and combined them with some he located on the internet, they will be posted on the web site soon. John, Don and others shared their ideas and tricks of the trade. Many ideas and pictures were offered.

The pictures will be sent to Ron Rueter for web site install. If you personally want a copy of the various pictures with storage ideas, contact Chet. Thanks to all that shared.

Adjournment - 7:53 pm

Many Thanks to Mark for taking the minutes AND running the meeting while Chet was out of town !!

Respectfully Submitted by  
Chet Blake BBMAC Secretary