## December 2008 Meeting Minutes

President Chet Blake called the monthly Barnyard Buzzard Model Airplane Club (BBMAC) meeting to order on December 2, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. at Alfy's Pizza in Monroe. There were 29 members present and there were 18 family and friends present, too. 47 people turning out for this event is quite a tribute to those who are involved and support our club. The next meeting will be on Tuesday January 6, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. at Alfy's Pizza in Monroe.

Again, note the new meeting time - 6:30 P.M. due to Alfy's Pizza reducing its business hours.

Chet asked for visitors or guests and gave them opportunity to introduce themselves. John Ferrara recently moved here from Arizona. He began flying about two years ago. He also wants to continue his learning process. We welcome John.

Chet asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the October meeting as posted in our newsletter. The motion was made, seconded, and approved. No changes were requested. The members present accepted the minutes.

Chet introduced the club officers. Most were present.

President - Chet Blake

Vice President - Brian Illston (absent)

Secretary - Vaughan Houger

Treasurer - Rick Hanners

Field Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Newsletter Editor and Webmaster - Ron Swift

Field Manager - Ron Rueter

Chet reported a check for \$1,000.00 was presented to Hopelink. Rick, Chet, and Sandy made the presentation. Rick and Chet will work on setting up a time to present our charity check to Children's Hospital. Good work members on supporting these endeavors.

Secretary - Vaughan Houger reported we have increased our membership to 70 members.

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that the bank account has more than \$5,724.00. Financially the club is in good shape. Rick will provide a more detailed financial report at our January 2009 meeting.

Safety Officer - Vince said we were doing well as a club in terms of safety. He offered a reminder that when taking off and landing to look around to make sure everything is safe to proceed.

Field Manager - Ron Rueter commented that the field is soggy, but is in good shape in spite of it being wet. He mentioned that mower maintenance work will begin after January (especially after his foot heals).

Newsletter/Webmaster - Ron commented things are going smoothly. Contributions are always welcome. We could use a building article.

## Old Business

Chet and Ron reminded us of the NW Model Hobby Expo coming up in February 2009. We, as a club, agreed to participate. Following are some details about the expo and our participation:

The club will have five tables to attend, four swap tables and one for the club.

Total cost for the tables is \$220.00.

The site will be open on Friday at 7:30 A.M. for participants to set up.

Six door passes are available for club use.

There will be a sign up sheet available at the next meeting.

Hours of operation to the public on Friday, - 2 P.M. - 7 P.M.

Cost is \$10 per person.

There is a possibility to host an indoor Fun Fly. If I am not mistaken Ron Swift and Randy Turner are coordinating with the Barn Owls club to work this.

"Freeze-In" - Ron Swift agreed to organize this event should the weather cooperate with some snow. Ron will put together more information to share at a later date. This sounds like a "cool" and fun event.

## New Business

Remember to think about supporting the NW Model Hobby Expo in February.

Alternate Field Location Committee - Fred reported he looked at the 100 acre field on the Ben Howard road. This piece of real estate flooded for about four weeks. Other than that, nothing new but we need to get it going again.

Reminder - Builder's Contest

Just a reminder to think about the builder's contest. The fee is \$10 to enter. Stick built, kit, and Almost Ready to Fly (ARF) - these seemed to be the general categories. If you are interested in participating, contact our treasurer, Rick Hanners, and surrender your \$10.

## Annual Club Officer Election

President Chet opened the floor for additional nominations. As we proceeded through the offices Chet asked for nominations, then a move to close, which resulted in the nominations closed. The final nominations were as follows:

President - Chet Blake

Vice-President - Marvin Walden & Ron Rueter

Secretary - Vaughan Houger

Treasurer - Rick Hanners

Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Nominations for the Dave Weber "Special Service Award" are as follows:

Scott Curtis

Fred Hanquet

Jim Reynolds

Ron Rueter

Jim Wallis

Ballots were distributed and voting commenced. The election went extremely smoothly.

The results:

President - Chet Blake

Vice-President - Ron Rueter

Secretary - Vaughan Houger

Treasurer - Rick Hanners

Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Dave Weber "Special Service Award":

Ron Rueter

Thanks to everyone for participating. Congratulations to our 2009 club officers!

Monthly Program for January, 2009: Dick Ovrid will demonstrate covering models with cloth.

The meeting was officially adjoined at precisely 7:42 PM.

The next meeting is Tuesday January 6, 2009 at Alfy's Pizza in Monroe at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Vaughan Houger BBMAC Secretary