February 2009 Meeting Minutes

President Chet Blake called the monthly Barnyard Buzzard Model Airplane Club (BBMAC) meeting to order on February 3, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. at Alfy's Pizza in Monroe.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday March 3, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. at Alfy's Pizza in Monroe.

Chet asked for visitors or guests and gave them an opportunity to introduce themselves.

Chet asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the January meeting as published. The motion was made, seconded, and approved. No changes were requested.

Chet introduced the club officers. Most were present.

President - Chet Blake

Vice President - Ron Rueter

Secretary - Vaughan Houger

Treasurer - Rick Hanners

Field Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Newsletter Editor and Webmaster - Ron Swift

Field Manager - Jay Bell

Officers Reports

VP - Ron Rueter provided the annual schedule of events for 2009.

Field clean up April 15

Rain date for field clean up May 2

1st Open House May 23

1st Fun Fly June 20

1st Combat July 12

2nd Open House August 2

2nd Fun Fly August 23

2nd Combat September 12

End of year family get together December?

Secretary - Vaughan Houger reported we have 70 members.

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that the club financially is in good shape. Rick provided a more detailed financial report/budget at our February 2009 meeting. A motion to accept the proposed budget was made. The motion was made, seconded, and approved.

Safety Officer - Vince said we were doing well as a club in terms of safety. He offered a reminder to not fly over the pits.

Field Manager - Jay Bell is getting up to speed with the new responsibilities.

Webmaster- Ron Swift offered anyone the chance to write something for the newsletter, or website - just let him know. Also, if you have something to sell, there is a classified section.

Old Business

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

The club swap meet - we will have five tables to attend plus the club booth.

Cost for the tables is ~ \$200.00.

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

There are six door passes available for club use.

There will be a sign up sheet available.

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

Cost is \$10 per person.

Sandy was soliciting the ladies to volunteer as monitors for the front and side doors, ticket booth, slot car area - for each day.

A big thank you to Ron and Sandy for organizing and participating in the "Freeze-In." Sandy has participant patches available.

Regrettably we lost one of our fellow fliers and former officer, Joe Wallis. A card was distributed during the meeting for signatures and condolences to Jim Wallis and family. A wake will be held in memory of Joe on Saturday, February 7, 2009. Think of Joe every once in a while

especially when you fly. Here is a salute to Joe. Dues are due by the end of the March meeting.

Mower repair. Jay and Ron R. will work on the mower toward the end of the month (February).

Alarm system on the shed. Theft is up in the area. Nothing was decided...

New Business

Brian Illston brought up the possibility of storing an extension ladder at the field. There was some discussion about the pros and cons, but nothing was decided at this time.

Barnyard Buzzard Merchandise - Sandy has done a remarkable job expanding her product line: mugs, T-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, and jackets. Contact Sandy for more information at 425-788-9824, or visit her website at www.DuvallsDazzlingDesigns.com.

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 dollars.

Monthly Program for February, 2009: Rick Hanners on the history and state of electric flight.

Rick was masterful in weaving the history of electric flight and his own learning and experiences. He illustrated points with stories and pieces of equipment. I was intrigued with his knowledge of battery technology and application. My recommendation is that anyone desiring to learn more about electric flight should contact Rick. He can help you get started in the right direction. Well done, Rick.

The meeting was officially adjoined at 8:32 PM.

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Respectfully submitted by Vaughan Houger BBMAC Secretary