

## February 2010 Meeting Minutes

President Chet Blake called the monthly Barnyard Buzzard Model Airplane Club (BBMAC) meeting to order on Tuesday, February 2, 2010, 6:30 P.M. at Alfys Pizza in Monroe. 28 members were present.

The next meeting will be on the second Tuesday of March - Tuesday March 9, 2010, 6:30 P.M. at the Alfys Pizza in Monroe.

President Chet Blake welcomed all who showed up for the meeting. He asked if any guests and visitors were present. There were no new guests or visitors, but it was great to see the members who turned out for the meeting.

A motion was made to accept the January meeting minutes. The motion was seconded. No discussion ensued. A vote was taken and the minutes were accepted.

Chet reminded everyone that dues are required to be paid by the March 9th meeting. Barnyard Buzzard business cards will be available at that meeting.

Chet introduced the club officers. All were present.

President - Chet Blake

Vice President - Jim Reynolds

Treasurer - Rick Hanners

Secretary - Vaughan Houger

Field Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Newsletter Editor and Webmaster - Ron Swift

Field Manager - Jay Bell

## Officers Reports

President - Chet Blake asked for the officers to report on events and news for the past month.

VP - Jim Reynolds identified event dates for 2010: A fun fly Saturday June 12th. Ron Swift will direct this event.

Open house Saturday July 17th. Chet and Jim will oversee this event

Combat event Saturday August 14th. Scott will be the contest director for this event.

These events are contingent to the club having a place to fly. Also, we need people to help run these events. Food will be made available at these events. However, food will cost extra and not be included in the fee for participating in the event.

Remember the builder's contest is still under way with the May meeting designated as the time for presenting and judging your craftsmanship.

Secretary - Vaughan inquired of members if they were interested in receiving various emails pertaining to the R/C hobby. Vaughan is the contact person for the club and receives email messages with

notifications of events around the Pacific Northwest and other information relative to the hobby. Members indicated an interest in receiving these messages.

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that the Buzzards have \$7,292.10 in the bank. Rick shared that as of tonight's meeting 28 members had renewed their membership.

Safety Officer - Vince reported that an incident occurred at the Freeze-In. Remember to be mindful of the spinning propeller.

Field Manager - Jay Bell reported the field looks good. The Craftsman mower needs some work done, which will be evaluated.

Newsletter - Ron Swift stated hard copies of the newsletter are available. He had plenty available at the meeting for members to take.

### Old Business

Field situation. The Barnyard Buzzards are still in the process of locating a new field. President Chet Blake commented that the time is drawing near to begin taking down fences and removing items from Dale's property. Other contacts are still being pursued to determine if there is interest or a possibility of the Buzzards relocating.

Chet suggested conducting a fly-in test at Jennifer's field on Saturday, February 06, 2010 at around noon. Since her field is not manicured it is probably best to use hand launched electric airplanes or even glow combat type airplanes.

In the event the Buzzards do relocate - if only temporary - to Jennifer's field, we do need equipment and help getting the field ready for use. VP Jim Reynolds offered the use of his small tractor - with attachments. Ron Swift might be able to help transport Jim's tractor.

The Northwest Model Hobby Expo is fast approaching - February 12, 13, & 14. Here is the web site for more information: <http://www.nwmodelhobbyexpo.com>. Signup sheets were passed around for members to support setup, club table, and the swap table. Ron Swift will have arm bands for members working the expo. Swap tables will be set up - \$5.00 fee to display and sell your items.

## No New Business

### Reminders:

Reminder - Revision to event fees. In the past, members entering an event were required to pay \$5.00. The fee covered the event and lunch. Now, lunch will not be included in the event fee. Additionally, the person responsible for coordinating the event will be required to collect receipts and money, which will be submitted to the treasurer.

Reminder - Revision to meeting dates. A proposal was made to move the monthly meetings to the second Tuesday of the month. There are

several holidays throughout the year that either conflict with our meeting dates or are close enough that attendance is affected. This proposed revision was opened for discussion. A motion was made to move the March meeting to March 9th and the subsequent meetings to be held on the second Tuesday of the month. The motion was seconded, voted on, and passed.

Reminder - Field situation. Again, we are still looking for members to store tables and any other items from our current field location. We are also looking for a truck and flatbed trailer to move the shed. Kevin Craft stated he does have access to a truck and trailer should the time come to move the shed. Thank you Kevin!

#### Announcements

Builder's Contest: You can be a part of this contest. All you need is the desire to build an airplane, find one to build, submit \$10 to Rick Hanners, and start the building process.

Evening Program: Ron Swift once again stepped up to share his experiences and insights using the Bind N Fly technology from E-Flite using a JR 10X radio. The airplanes Ron used for the demo were the E-Flite micro ultra light P-51 and the Sukhoi SU-26m. Technology advancements in radio control sure have made it easier for the hobby enthusiast to enjoy the hobby. Thank you Ron!

The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:35 PM. The next meeting is Tuesday March 9, 2010 at Alfy's Pizza in Monroe at 6:30 P.M.

The club newsletter is available online. If you still want to receive a "hard" copy contact Ron Swift at 425-788-6045 or [ronswift@cablespeed.com](mailto:ronswift@cablespeed.com).

Respectfully submitted by Vaughan Houger BBMAC Secretary.