January 2009 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Chet Blake at 18:30:12 (twelve seconds late!).

Chet introduced the club officers present: Ron Rueter - Vice President Rick Hanners - Treasurer Vince Bell - Safety Officer. Also introduced wee Ron Swift - Newsletter editor and Webmaster, and Jay Bell - Field Manager. Chet reported that he and Vince flew at the field while snow was on the ground and Chet's homemade skis worked great - the field is officially broken in for 2009.

Rick Hanners and Chet Blake presented Children's Hospital with our 2008 donation.

Al Faith moved that the minutes be accepted as published in the newsletter. Jay Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The club's first annual "Freeze-In" is scheduled for Sunday, January 18th, from 11 am to 2 P.M.. We can't control the weather, but it will be a 'cool' deal, lots of fun, food and a special patch for participating. C'mon out and support the Club's first event for 2009. No contests, no frills, just camaraderie, kibitzing and fellowship. Fly what you bring too.

Rich Hanners gave the treasurers report - we are solvent.

Vince Bell gave Safety Report - It's cold, be prepared and please stay away from propellers - propellers and fingers don't mix very well.

We have 10 members entered in the builders contest. Judging will occur at the May meeting. You still have time to enter and enjoy the sport of building an airplane.

The meeting time will remain at 18:30 (6:30 PM) for 2009.

Old Business:

Ron Rueter gave field report. The main issue this year is gravel in the driveway area. We need to discuss this with our landlord and if acceptable, plan on adding a few yards of gravel.

The Cub Cadet lawn tractor is currently at Jay Bell's. The plan is to have it overhauled by the end of March. Due to Ron's foot surgery, work can't start until the middle of February. Jay Bell and Dick Ovrid have volunteered to help.

The Northwest Hobby Expo will begin on February, 6th at 2 P.M.. Ron Swift will be at the Expo at 7:30 am to start putting the swap tables together. If you have any items and/or want to help, contact Ron Swift (425) 788-6045 or email ronswift@cablespeed.com . The Expo schedule is Friday, February 6th 2 P.M. to 7 P.M., Saturday, February 7th 9 am to 5 P.M., and Sun Feb 8th 9 am to 3 P.M.. The dinner and

auction are on Saturday from 5 P.M. until 8 P.M.. There will be indoor Fly-Ins on all days and an AMA Sanctioned Fun Fly of Saturday for fixed and rotary wing models. The Barn Owls will be helping Ron Swift and Randy Turner with the Fun Flys. We plan on having a flight simulator at the club table this year.

Current Membership is 70. Please welcome new member Brian Deverter, who flies heli's and has built an electric powered Sundowner for fixed wing flying.

New Business:

This year's activities will include 2 Open House Events, 2 Fun Flys, 2 Combat Events, Builders Contest, Annual Auction, Spring Clean up, and annual Christmas meeting/party. Dick Ovrid gave a talk on covering techniques using fabric materials. Due to the odors of the chemicals used, Dick could not give a live demo - He is planning on doing a live demo at the field during one of the summer meetings - stay tuned for the date.

February's program will be about Electric Flying by Rich Hanners - Don't miss this informative talk about the equip. M. ent used in electric flight.

Door prize winners: John Rennert, Marv Walden, Chet Blake and a mystery guest.

The meeting was adjourned at 20:10 (8:10 PM)

Respectfully submitted by Ron Rueter for Vaughan Houger.