

July 2008 Meeting Minutes

Vice-President Brian Illston called the monthly meeting of the Barnyard Buzzards to order at 6:54 P.M., Tuesday, July 8, 2008 at the Club field with 24 members present. Brian started the meeting a bit early so the auction would have enough time to conclude before we would run out of daylight.

Brian asked for visitors or guests to identify themselves. No visitors or guests were present.

Next meeting is at the Club field, Tuesday, August 5th @ 7:00. The meetings will be at the field through and including September, then we'll resume at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe.

This meeting will conclude the Annual Charity Auction.

Brian introduced the current club officers:

Acting President - Brian Illston

Vice President - Brian Illston

Secretary - Chet Blake

Treasurer - Rick Hanners

Field Safety Officer - Vince Bell was not present

Newsletter Editor and Webmaster - Ron Swift

Field Manager - Ron Rueter

Vice President Brian reminded everyone that the 1st Combat event would be Saturday, July 12th, 10:00 to 3:00. Scott Curtis is the event Contest Director (CD). Please be early and have your planes ready for the event to start. Jim Reynolds will be judging at this Combat event.

Secretary - Chet Blake reported we have 66 members. This includes 1 family and 1 Jr. member.

Jets Over Whidbey will be August 22 through the 24th. See Kim Volz for further info.

John Folgeson from the North West Hobby Expo called Chet and said he'd try to make the meeting and discuss some plans that might fit in with the Buzzards being a part of the North West Hobby Expo. John did arrive, but the auction had started and the timing wasn't right for him to explain anything. He did donate an airplane to the auction and said he'd try to make the August meeting. Thanks, John!

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that the balance is \$7322.14. There are some receipts to pay, but we're in good shape.

Safety Officer - Vince kept it short and was happy to announce that all is going well and the pilots were using good safety sense. Keep it up!

Special Committee Reports

Alternate Field Location Committee - Nothing new, but we need to get it going again..

Pilot training - There are 7 in training, 2 inactive and 2 MIA (no one has heard from them for a while)

Sound Management - Some sound readings were taken.....3 more readings were taken. An OS 70 four stroke @ 91, .46AX @ 93, and a terribly LOUD electric @ 87 dBa. The AMA recommendation is 90 dBa.

Field Improvements - Ron Rueter...The Cub mower is burning quite a bit of oil. When it's first fired up, it belches a huge amount of smoke. **MAKE SURE TO CHECK THE OIL BEFORE CUTTING !**

The Fall clean up date will probably be changed. This will allow the winds to do their damage and we can clean up after that.

Old Business

Discussion last meeting brought the idea of having a Club awning stored at the field Shed for the events and rainy meetings. Ron Rueter checked out prices and found ranges from 10x10, 10x12 and 10x20.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved for Ron to purchase a 10x20 awning for \$140 plus shipping from Amazon.com.

Brian Illston then asked for nominations for President for the special election.

Ron Swift and Chet Blake were nominated.

The election resulted with Chet as the new club President until the regular annual election at the December meeting.

No one accepted the nomination for Secretary to fill Chet's now vacant position. Volunteers were asked for and Vaughan Houser stepped up to the plate and accepted the position. Many Thanks Vaughn!

New Business

Marvin Walden is taking orders for the 5 year Gold Leader Pins. Please let Marvin know if you want one.

Jim Reynolds was asked to 'refine' the Membership Participation Plan and present it to the body or board for discussion.

Announcements

Chet's phone # is 425.879.2792 or email - chetblake@comcast.net .

Motion to Adjourn the business section of the meeting and start the auction @ 7:26 P.M.. Motion approved!

Ron once again started the auction and moved 'Swiftly" to get all the items up and sold before daylight gave out on us.

The auction was another huge success and many, many thanks to Ron for all the effort and hard work he put into it.

Many thanks to Craig Crummer, who asked that Ron manage the sale of his RC equipment and Lorraine Crummer for donating half of the proceeds to the club charity.

Many thanks to all of you who donated and/or bought items, supporting the auction and our charities. This is just one of many things that make the Barnyard Buzzards a GREAT Club!

Respectfully submitted by Chet Blake BBMAC Secretary