June 2009 Meeting Minutes

President Chet Blake called the monthly Barnyard Buzzard Model Airplane Club (BBMAC) meeting to order on June 2, 2009 at 6:35 P.M. at the Barnyard Buzzard flying field in Monroe. 28 members were present.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday July 7, 2009, 6:30 P.M. at our flying field in Monroe (see page 9 for a map).

President Chet Blake recapped the success of the first 2009 Open House which was Saturday, May 23rd. There was a good turnout. Many club members were present as well as a number of passersby who were entertained. Ron Rueter was spectacular grilling hamburgers. Thank you Ron!

Chet asked for guests and visitors to identify themselves. Jeff Terry was present. He admitted to flying with Dick Ovrid years ago. Ray Reinhold was also new amongst our gathering. It is always nice to see, and welcome, guests and visitors.

Chet asked for a motion to accept the (April) minutes as presented in the May newsletter. (As there were no May meeting minutes due to the meeting being canceled.) A motion to accept was made, seconded, and voted on. The minutes were accepted.

Chet introduced the club officers.

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

President - Chet Blake reminded the members of the first Fun Fly coming up Saturday, June 20, 2009. (This is a good way to welcome Summer).

Vice President - Ron Rueter announced that Chet is getting married this month (June 27).

Secretary - Vaughan Houger reported that the club has 66 members.

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that the club financially is in good shape. The Buzzards have \$7,592.77 in the bank.

Safety Officer - Vince reminded everyone the importance of staying clear of an airplane's spinning prop. Just remember to be careful.

Field Manager - Jay Bell mentioned that the field is in good condition.

Web Master - Ron Swift commented there was nothing new to publish.

Old Business

The use of 27 MHz: President Chet Blake wanted to bring the issue of using 27 MHz radios to closure. A motion was made to cancel the motion made to remove 27MHz as an acceptable radio frequency as this is an AMA sanctioned frequency. The motion was made, seconded, voted on and passed.

New Business

There were several new items for members to consider. The first had to do with placing a centerline stripe down the middle of the runway, similar to the one we had last year. Some discussion ensued as to the pros and cons for using, or not using, a centerline stripe. A motion was made to stripe the field. The motion was seconded, voted on, and passed.

The second item of interest was the prospect of adding a 12' X 6' leanto structure in the vicinity of the frequency board. VP Ron Rueter was going to draw up some plans and bring them to the July meeting.

Jay Bell mentioned a Big Bird event in Bellingham will take place next weekend, June 6 and 7th. Anyone interested is welcome to attend the event.

Later on in the meeting, Kim Volz made a motion to extend the annual builder's contest to 12 months. The current length was from the October meeting until our May meeting. The motion was seconded, voted on, and passed. So, now everyone should be able to build something in the time span of June to the following May. Either that, or we now have more time to procrastinate. This is an effort to see more entries make it to the finish line. This year there were 6 of 14 entries that actually made it to the contest judging meeting.

Speaking of the 2009 Builder's Contest, here are the results:

ARF category

- 1. Dick Ovrid with his custom recovered SIG Rascal
- 2. Brian Reightley with his twin electric P-38
- 3. Ron Swift with his 96" Beech Musketeer

Kit / scratch built category

1. Chet Blake with his Golden Era 60 was also the winner of the "Pilot's Choice" award

- 2. Ross Jacobson with his Fokker Eindecker
- 3. Charlie Higgins with his 1938 Comet Clipper Congratulations to everyone who participated!

Announcements

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

The meeting was officially adjoined at 8:30 PM. After the meeting the club held its first charity club auction. The total raised was \$507.30. Great job Buzzards! The next meeting is Tuesday, July 7, 2009 at the field in Monroe at 6:30 P.M. Respectfully submitted by Vaughan Houger BBMAC Secretary.