June 2011 Meeting Minutes

This meeting also hosted our annual charity auction. There were 20 members present 4 visitors/nonmembers. (Note: the weather was a bit cloudy, a few sprinkles, and windy.)

President Bryan Reightley called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. He went through the list of officers:

President – Bryan Reightley

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

We did have a couple of visitors: Rick Etters and Errol Wilkins from the Snohomish Radio Aero Club (SRAC) club. Welcome guys!

Officers' Reports

Secretary -Vaughan Houger reported 58 members are in the club.

Vice President - Jim Reynolds reminded everyone of the July 23rd Fun Fly.

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that financially we're in good shape.

Safety - Vince Bell cautioned those retrieving downed airplanes to be careful where you step. There are hidden holes near and amongst the trees. We do have a first aid kit in the shed. At least 5 of the BBMAC members are First aid/CPR certified.

Field – Jay Bell commented that the field looked like it was in good shape.

Newsletter editor/Webmaster - Ron Swift mentioned that organizer John Foglesong expanded his R/C expo vendors' to the July Arlington air show. Ron had hard copy flyers available for members to take and distribute.

Old Business

Bryan then called for old business:

Visitors: Continue to be mindful of visitors.

Weather Station: Jack Peel is working on the weather station. There are a few challenges, but it is coming along.

No-Fly zone: Be mindful of the house at the East end of the run way where the arrow and pole are located take appropriate action to line up landing approaches with these land marks in mind.

New Business

Bryan articulated his desire to change the emphasis of the club meetings. The intent would be to still address the required business agenda items, but keep it shorter in duration to allow more opportunity for members to show and tell about their projects. He encouraged everyone to participate in the show and tell portion of the meetings. Two volunteers already are on the docket for July's meeting.

Bryan also wanted to introduce a couple of new competitions:

A Re-builder's" Contest". This is where a pilot had a mishap during the summer with a plane. The pilot would take a picture of the broken plane, then fix it over the course of the summer, or however long it takes. Take a picture of the restored aircraft and present the restored aircraft at the contest (date yet to be deter-mined).

A That'll never fly" Contest. Think about innovative ideas and turn those into things that fly, but no one believed would fly.

These contests will be explored further at the next meeting.

Evening Program - Charity auction.

Rick Hanners reported, We took in \$460, of which \$391.50 was what was paid for items and the rest came from donations (people saying keep the change, etc.). So considering the turnout, weather and so forth, the success of the auction was not too bad.

Congratulations to all who entered!

The meeting adjourned at around 8:15 P.M.

The next meeting is Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at our flying field in Monroe at 6:30 P.M.

The club newsletter is available on-line. If you still want to receive a hard copy, please, contact Ron Swift (425-788-6045).

Respectfully submitted by Vaughan Houger BBMAC Secretary.