

November 2011 Meeting Minutes

Club members met at Alfy's Pizza in Monroe. President Bryan Reightley called the meeting to order at 6:38 P.M. He introduced the club's officers:

President - Bryan Reightley

Vice President - Jim Reynolds

Treasure - Rick Hanners

Secretary - Vaughan Houser

Field Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Newsletter Editor - Ron Swift

Field Manager - Jay Bell

Webmaster - Ron Rueter

Several visitors and guests attended the meeting including former members Richard Bizier and Doug Hoff. Additionally, Brad Heinitz President of the Arlington Eagles RC Fliers Club was present. Brad had a couple of reasons for attending. The first was to extend a lifetime membership to Bob Martin for his selfless voluntary work at the Eagles flying field. Secondly, Brad was there to say he had learned we had lost our field and extended an offer to the members of BBMAC to fly at the Eagles field at no charge through 2012. Those in attendance applauded Brad and the Eagles for extending their helping hands. Here is the Arlington Eagles website:

arlingtoneaglesrcflyers.org

22 members were in attendance.

Officers' Reports

Secretary - Secretary Vaughan stated the club currently has 59 members. He commented on the post card mailing to communicate information regarding the October 29th official closing of the field that this form of communication seemed to be a success.

Vice President - Jim Reynolds followed up on the October 29th day with a report that a lot of people showed up and there was plenty of food. All-in-all it was very good day: Good weather, good flying, good fellowship. Jim also provided a recap of the first every re-builder's contest.

The next club meeting is December 13th at Alfys. This is our annual Christmas meeting. So, family and friends are welcome to come.

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that financially we're in good shape with \$5,615.92 in the bank, not including a refund check from Dale.

Safety Officer - Vince Bell stated that everything is going good.

Field Manager - Jay Bell was absent. President Bryan Reightley reported on the Saturday November 5th work party at the new field

location. Arleen, the land owner, still had not viewed everything we did, but was excited about what we were doing. Later on in the meeting Ron Rueter shared a plethora of pictures of the work that was accomplished.

There is another work party planned for Saturday, November 12th. The sani-cans have been pumped and still need to be moved to the new field. The intent is to move tables and other items from the old field to the new one. The suggestion was made to contact Jay Bell if you have questions.

Newsletter Editor - Ron Swift thanked Rick Hanners for writing up articles pertaining to battery packs. You can see those in our monthly newsletter. Thanks again, Rick for your contribution! Ron continually looks for photos for the newsletter. So if you have some, send them to Ron.

Webmaster - Ron Rueter - Be sure to check the web site as things change frequently and new items are always being added. If you have any building project with photos, please create a write up and send that and the photos to Ron Rueter to be added to the Members Projects area of the website.

Announcements

President Bryan Reightley reminded everyone that since we will not have insurance for the new field until the first of December that

flying will not be allowed until then. Also, the old field is closed, so no flying there as well.

Ron Swift . told of the passing of John Folgeson. As such Ron, Sandy, and John's son will host the 2012 Northwest Model Hobby Expo. There should be little changed for the Buzzards at this event regarding the club booth and swap tables.

The NW Model Hobby Expo is scheduled for February 10, 11, and 12. <http://nwmhe.com/> Ron will have a schedule sign up in the near future.

Freeze-In 2012: Location the new field. Date: January 7, 2012

Meeting location: Ron Rueter offered to investigate other possible venues for our monthly meetings. It seems we have a challenge when our meetings coincide with an election night and Ron makes a presentation. More to come from Ron's investigation in the month's ahead.

Old Business

Bryan then called for old business:

New flying field: President Bryan stated a lease was signed with Arleen the land owner of the new flying field. It is a two stage lease. The first stage is a six month trial period to learn if there about any

emerging issues or concerns. Pending no show stoppers, the second stage, beginning May 1, 2012, starts a 5 year lease with Arleen.

Nominations for 2012 Club Officers President Bryan asked Vaughan to read the current nominees:

2012 Club Officers' nomination:

President: Bryan Reightley

Vice President Jim Reynolds

Secretary Vaughan Houger

Treasurer Rick Hanners

Safety Officer Vince Bell

Special Service Award Jay Bell

A motion was made to close the nominations. This was seconded, passed, thus closing the nominations for club officers for 2012.

Program

Ron Rueter presented his experience at the 40th Annual Balloon Festival at Albuquerque. Included in his presentation were some amazing facts like 550 hot air balloons in the air at the same time. Or, the unique flight box pilots navigate in. Ron captured and shared some incredible pictures. Thanks Ron for putting your presentation together and sharing with us. If you would like more information you

can go to the Albuquerque balloon fiesta web site:
<http://www.balloonfiesta.com/event-info>.

The meeting adjourned at around 7:36 P.M. The next meeting is
Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at Alf's Pizza in Monroe at 6:30 P.M.

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

Respectfully submitted by Vaughan Houser, Ph.D. - BBMAC Secretary