

## September 2011 Meeting Minutes

The meeting started in a some-what unorthodox manner as Bryan, in order to give a few more minutes to allow stragglers to arrive, read aloud a letter he submitted to Vince, our Safety Officer, in which he took creative license describing his spectacular landing in the parking area during the combat competition. This letter will be posted later in the newsletter.

Promoting the building and operation of radio controlled models, and the public acceptance and good will towards the sport/hobby. Our main goal is to have fun and enjoy the challenge of safely flying radio control models.

President Bryan Reightley called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. He introduced the club's officers:

President - Bryan Reightley

Vice President - Jim Reynolds

Treasurer - Rick Hanners

Secretary - Vaughan Houger (Was unable to attend the meeting)

Field Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Newsletter Editor - Ron Swift

Webmaster - Ron Rueter

Field Manager - Jay Bell (Was unable to attend the meeting)

23 members were in attendance. Including one new member: Ken who is working with Brian Taylor to regain his out-of-practice wings.

President Bryan mentioned the August meeting minutes and solicited any questions, concerns, or comments. None were offered. A motion was made to approve the August meeting minutes as published. The motion was seconded, voted on and approved with one dissenter.

### Officers' Reports

Secretary -Vaughan Houger was absent

Vice President - Jim Reynolds announced that there will be no more events or contests this year. The next Event will be the Freeze-In on January 7th, assuming we have a field by that time. Fun was had by all that attended the com-bat event with lots of hot sunny weather and one spectacular crash, thanks to our president.

Treasurer - Rick Hanners reported that financially we're in good shape. A check was presented to the Monroe Food Bank from the BBMAC charity auction. The head of the Food Bank was very appreciative of the funds. The transaction was even documented with a story in the Herald on Aug 1st.

Safety Officer - Vince Bell simply referred to the letter that President Reightley read just prior to the start of the meeting.

Field Manager - Jay Bell was absent but Pres. Reightley presented Jay's request to the club for permission to dispose of the club's derelict Craftsman Mower. The motion was made, seconded and approved UNANIMOUSLY. (When has that happened before?)

Newsletter - Ron Swift handed out the awards for the combat event. A special award was presented to President Bryan Reightley for participation in his first combat event. 3rd place was won by Scott Curtis. Ron took second place with his forward swept S.P.A.D. and Dean Appell took first place with the only cut of the day. Ron also presented Jake with his 3rd place Fun-Fly award teamed with Dick. Articles and photos are always welcome. Please feel free to submit either at any time.

Webmaster - Ron Rueter announced the address of the new website and the fact that the main page posted over the weekend had been a tribute / remembrance of the events of 9/11/2001 but had been replaced on Monday.

### Announcements

President Bryan Reightley announced that as response to our speedy submittal of our intent to end our lease on Oct 31st, Dale opened flying to all air-craft on Sundays from 9:00 am to 1:30 p.m.

SRAC is hosting a Float Fun Fly for the coming Saturday, Sept. 17th at Lake Goodwin.

There is a Fun Fly in Zillah this coming Saturday with potluck dinners both Friday and Saturday nights and an auction Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

## Old Business

Bryan then called for old business:

Visitors and neighbors: Continue to be mindful and courteous to our visitors and neighbors. Also, be mindful of the no-fly zone. (We do still need to keep Dale happy.) Regarding the search for a new field:

Al's wife's friend may have a field we may be able to fly from.

Ron Rueter is chasing a lead on a field near the Everett Trestle.

Volunteers are likely to be needed for both the moving and storage of our equipment and field supplies after we move from our field and move to a new one, or simply continue our search for one.

Duvall has a discussion Board in which we may post our need for a flying field. The same can be done with Duvall Public Bulletin Board.

Everyone - Please keep your ears and eyes open for any good prospects.

## New Business

Pres. Reightley proposed a new contest: Bag-o-Plane.

The plan is to have everyone bring their spare wings, fuselages, tail feathers, landing gear, engines and all other left over parts in your hanger to the field to see what we, as a club, could cobble together and manage to get in the air. All left over parts would be sacrificially burned at the end of the day as an offering to the flying field gods to bring us good fortune in our search for a new field

This idea was met with many positive responses. October 15th was chosen for this event

The Big Buzzard Bash will be held on October 29th. Theme is: Bring it—Start it—Fly it if you dare! Included shall be a BBQ and Potluck meal. Everybody please bring something yummy. This will be our last Saturday of flying at our old field.

### Program

We have a new website!!! [www.bbmac.net](http://www.bbmac.net) Along with a new website, we have a new webmaster, Ron Rueter. This web-site name had been registered to someone in the UK but when contacted it was donated to our club.

We all wish to thank Ron Swift for his many years of work and dedication in maintaining the old site!

The main page could change occasionally. For example, it was changed to include a memorial for 9/11 on Friday the 9th and changed again on Monday.

The menu on the left of the page is floating so that you may easily jump to a different page from where ever you may be on the current page. However, if this becomes a problem for the member due to portions of it being cut off this may need to be changed to a static menu.

Ron has also included an archive of all of the newsletters since 1999.

There is a classifieds section, contact Ron for a form to submit if you have anything you are looking to buy or sell.

You can find the By-Laws, a list of the current officers, notices of our charity donations and our events calendar

Be sure to check out the gallery documenting our contests, events and the general good time we have at our field.

Additionally there is a section for member projects. Feel free to submit pictures and any notes you have on any projects you may be working on.

There is a members only area where you can access the member roster including addresses, phone numbers and email addresses to make keeping in touch with each other a (Continued from page 3)

task a bit easier. It is password protected and encrypted so it cannot be seen by the public.

You can even join the club through our new website! The membership form can be filled out online or printed and returned.

The meeting adjourned at around 7:28 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 11, 2011, at Alfie's Pizza 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, Tim Baird.