

September 2016 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Chet Blake at approximately 6:36 with 10 members and guest Erin Green a former member in attendance. Club Officers were introduced by the club President, Chet Blake:

- President - Chet Blake
- Vice President - Tim Shegrud
- Secretary - Mark Weeks
- Treasurer - Ron Swift
- Safety Officer - Vince Bell
- Field Manager - Jay Bell
- Webmaster - Ron Rueter
- Newsletter Editor - Ron Swift

Chet called for additions or corrections to the minutes as published on the web/newsletter. No one provided any corrections and a motion was made to accept the minutes. The minutes were approved.

Reports

VP - Model aviation Day was a success and there was a good turnout.

Quad and Glider event was a bit windy but everyone had a good time.

Boats and Floats event is Sunday September 18th, and our second night fly is October 1st

Treasurer - Funds are in good shape 509.00 so far for our charity. Roughly 1600.00 spent on the pit and parking area gravel work. Still funds in the bank and we on our budget track.

Secretary - The membership level at the present time is 36 members,

Safety Officer - No real issues at the field. Remember to be safe. Take extra care while at the lake event.

Newsletter Editor - Printed copies of the newsletter are available for anyone who wishes a hard copy. Ron asks that if people take pictures to please send copies to him and Ron Rueter, for possible newsletter/website usage.

Field Manager - Gravel has been placed in pit area and parking. Grading has been completed at the north end of the runway. The Dock still needs some work but it is OK to use for the lake event on the 18th.

OLD BUSINESS

Model aviation Day is Saturday August 13th. Tim has perused and got a public announcement in the Everett Herald and Safeway has donated \$25.00 towards the event for food or whatever is needed. Good job Tim! Festivities start at 10:00am, bring or notify your friends and family. Tim has arranged to have the grill manned.

After Saturday's Model aviation Day/Open house the next events are Multitrotors and Gliders August 27th, Boats and Floats Sunday September 18th. There is plenty of time to get ready for both.

A fall night fly event was brought up and is now scheduled for October 1st, time still to be determined. The first event was so much fun the membership decided we need another.

Ron Swift and Sandy have designed a night fly patch and showed it to the members, they will be completed soon and handed out to the members present at the event. Also Vince brought up the idea of adding a year trim ring to add for each year.

The club has some 10 year Gold leader patches still available to those who would like one. Ron reported that the AMA is working on a 15 year patch that we will qualify for.

Ron filled out the registration paperwork for our Non Profit renewal and it has been returned. We are still a registered nonprofit organization.

We have been using the phrase "we are a work in progress" when it comes to our field for a couple of years, and while that is true we have definitely come a long way. We still have a lot of areas to work on so it was decided to have a Field Recommendation committee. The Members are: Mark, Chet, Jay, Bryan, Len and Brian Douma and Vaughan. The committee met at the field on Saturday July 9th and came up with a plan that was shared and emailed to the members.

September 8, 9, 10th and 11th is the Scale Champ completion at the Wenatchee Red Apple Flyers. If you have never been you should give it a try.

September 18th is another Floats and Boats event so get your water stuff ready.

NEW BUSINESS

We have been using the phrase "we are a work in progress" for a couple of years now and the results are showing. In large part(s) of Len and Brian Douma, Dart Sharp, Jay Bell and Mark Weeks. Let's applaud the efforts of everyone involved and with special attention to the above.

Kenneth (Ken) Mowrey passed away on August 22, 2016. Ken was a Barnyard Buzzard member for many years and he will be missed. A card will be sent.

Jim Reynolds wife has a mishap and is healing Jim hopes to be able to make the lake event. We all wish them well.

Aug 27th was a bragging rights fun day with multi rotors and gliders. Just a couple of things to learn and try to compete with. It was quite an experience. Ron Rueter breezed thru the course first round but everyone and even Ron on his second round was shut down and complete the course without a crash. Either hitting the foam obstacle poles or the ground effect throwing things off made this a really tough event. It seems what we learned was that 50 feet or above ground effects do not have the same effect as 3 to 5 feet does. Windy weather kept all but a couple from sailplane flying.

September 8, 9, 10th and 11th was the Scale Champ completion at the Wenatchee Red Apple Flyers, Ron Rueter and Chet made the trip. They reported that it was a good event and some really cool planes. Chet reported that he was surprised that there were as many ARFs involved in the event.

Night Fly event is October 1st. Start time will be around 6:00. If you have not attended this before you really need to come out and participate or just sit and watch. It really is a great event.

Have you been to the field lately? WOW WOW WOM!!! Since last meeting there's been an amazing amount of work done? Len brought out his tractor and cut back the bank finishing Phase 1 of the project. He moved the dirt to the end of the north runway extending it while making another 6 to 7 feet of parking area. Len and Brian spent about 8 hours of hard labor on this area. He returned on the 9th removing the large rocks and grading the North end making it ready for seed.

September 10th, Dart Sharp, Steve Anderson, Vince Bell, Jay Bell, Mark Weeks and Robin Maas readied the parking area along with the pits with underlayment. Dart made the 45 min round trip to drop off load after load of gravel. He spent most of his day expertly laying down the gravel so not much in the way of raking was needed, all that manned the rakes and shovels really do thank him for his skills. There was 111.23 TONS of

gravel laid. Builders Sand and Gravel really came through for us giving Darts discount for materials and Truck time.

AMAZING hard work, input and determination to keep this club top notch! THANK YOU ALL!! Chet is (almost) excited to see it rain and how the work holds up.

Harbor Freight had carports on sale and Chet picked up another (We not have two) We will place it in the coming months as needed.

Jay has purchased grating for the flight station if wet weather and the ground calls for them.

Self-correcting planes are not fool proof and can cause issues. New pilots need to be signed off before letting them loose on their own.

October Rebuilders contest is coming up at the next meeting; bring your rebuilt mistakes to the meeting along with the story of how it happened and what you did to repair it.

August was a very busy month, lots has happened with events work being accomplished and lots of flying, September looks to be the same, with the Lake event field work, Night Fly (OK it officially Oct 1st). Let's enjoy the good weather while we have it.

Program Ron Rueter shared videos of his trip to Alaska and the Arctic Circle and flying his Quad there. Really a good program, thanks Ron

A motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

.....Mark Weeks, Club Secretary