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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the club members that took time to attend the January meeting. Thank you for your patience with what turned out to be a long winded meeting. To expedite the next meeting we will have a committee to study changes that are needed to the By-Laws before presenting them for a vote at the general.

A special thanks to **Randy and Laura Wegner and Bill Disney**, Randy for providing hot dog rolls, & napkins for the meeting, and Bill for the grill, propane and . Laura volunteered her great grilling

skill and four dozen hot dogs were quickly devoured. I anticipate that hot dogs will be the order of the day again before the February meeting.

I witnessed something happening at our field recently that showed the true spirit of our club. Tom Smith had the misfortune of having his Wild Stik crash and the fuselage was destroyed. Don Fenton became aware of the accident and stepped up to the plate and gave Tom a new fuselage that he had at home. Thank you Don for your kindness. Thank you.

Tom Hope

CLUB MEETINGS

THIS MONTHS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 9TH AT THE FIELD. HOT DOGS WILL BE SERVED BEFORE THE MEETING—8:00 AM TO 9:00 AM. A SWAPMEET WILL ALSO BE HELD FROM 8:00 TO 9:00 AM BEFORE THE MEETING AND ALSO AFTER THE MEETING.

In case of rain there will be an alternative location posted on the fence. If this happens Bob Trotter has volunteered to let us use his business located at 4061 W Costco Pl (behind Costco).

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Minutes from the Jan meeting:

January 11, 2008

The meeting started at 9:00 am there were 36 members signed in.

Tom Hope proposed that club officers pay dues, a discussion followed and a motion was passed 21 to 5.

Bob Trotter spoke about where his office was for future meetings if the weather is too bad, his business is just across the freeway behind Costco, its California Closets.

Tom Hope made a proposal to not include junior members in the 120 member limit, that is anyone under 19, that motion passed.

Tom Hope proposed to make the Chief Flight Instructor a board member so as to have an odd number of votes. To end stalemates.

Tom Hope presented Betty with a nice briefcase for her job as Treasurer.

The minutes of last meeting were read and accepted. With one change as to how many were at the meeting,

there were 24 there but only 20 signed in.

The treasurers report was read and accepted, the club has \$4562.34 in the bank.

Randy W. spoke about Bill Wilson's help on the runway.

Randy Wegner also spoke on changing the bylaws, to get a simple majority to vote on actions by the board, wants to strike out the 75% rule on urgent or other actions by the board. Simple majority would rule, a discussion followed and it was decided to table that discussion, a motion was made to table that and it passed.

Tom Hope asked that all members read the bylaws, they are available on club web site.

Randy asked that new lines be painted on the runway, with an estimate of \$150 to \$200 to do that, a motion was made for that and it passed.

Bill Wilson volunteered to do some repairs on the old ramadas.

Richard Saggese discussed doing another mall show, he discussed doing more for this

one with more publicity etc. A motion to have a show passed, with date to be made later.

Tom Hope made a motion to adjourn at 9:47 and the motion passed.

Tom Crawford, Secretary

A NOTE FROM RANDY:

Back in my military days, I was a fledgling test cell operator. One day, we were testing a J-57 jet engine on the stand. While at full military power with water injection on, I walked up to inspect it. Part of the turbine section was glowing white hot!!! An explosion and catastrophic failure(along with my death) were probably seconds away. I called for immediate shutdown (something not good for jet engines) and averted further problems.

I guess timing is everything. Had I walked up thirty seconds later, the outcome may have been much different.

Such is the case with our last meeting. My timing for bringing up club By-Law issues was really off. It caused the meeting to go

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longer and I apologize to all in attendance for that.

Hind site being better, I like our president's suggestion that our club members hold an open meeting some evening away from the field to address these issues.

Certainly there are a few modifications to our By-Laws that I would personally like to see. But the more important point is that our club members take an opportunity to combine their collective wisdom and ensure that the club by-laws are written to suit it's membership more completely and fairly and not to suit mine or anyone else's alone. I will be pleased most, whether there are several changes or none at all, if it's done with all members in mind and many in attendance.

John Hyde, an ex-CRCM president had a really great idea(I think). He talked to other club's presidents who all seemed to echo the same philosophy. "Keep the rules to a minimum." Perhaps a good approach is to assess what we have now in our by-laws and determine it's

merits while being judicious in what is added. I think a study of our by-laws would be beneficial to most of us and make for a successful by-law meeting.

Thank you for your time.

Randy

A NOTE FROM BOB:

Just wanted to take some time to say "Hi" to all my flying friends at Catalina R/C Modelers. I have been reading the Newsletters on the Club Website. This is a great way to keep up on what's going on with the Club. Since I left two years ago it looks like you have expanded and made an even more viable Club. As the former Club Newsletter Editor before Steve Meyer, I also wish to echo Steve's call for support of your present Newsletter Editor, Bette. It really helps when members supply news articles for the newsletter.

I think often of the fun times I had at the Catalina R/C Modelers and all the friends I made. Since we have been in North Carolina I have not been active in

Flying, as my vision is not what it used to be. We are staying busy traveling and spending time with our Grandchildren. I wish you continued success with the Club and many happy hours Flying. My "E"Mail Address is

bobmclaughlin@carolina.rr.com .

Bob

R/C FOR EVERYONE

I am putting together a program designed to involve youth and their parents in R/C planes. I am hoping this program will help us to secure not only our present facilities in Tucson and Pima County but to expand to more sites as well.

The program will be designed to include as many aspects of our hobby as possible to be presented at local schools. This should include exhibition of planes, electric plane and helicopter exhibition, and a narrative and video presentation. There will also be handouts including possibly small balsa airplanes available from AMA as well as handouts to take home to parents informing them of hands on workshops available at our field.

The workshop would include a period of time set aside to take them up on buddy

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boxes to let them experience first hand the thrill of flying.

What we need is volunteers to help put this program in motion, I have already contacted and we have been invited to do 2 presentations, one in January at Rio Vista Elementary school and one in February at Harelson Elementary school.

I have spoken to several club members who have expressed interest in making this program a success. I am asking all interested parties to contact me at the e-mail address below and designate what it is you can or want to do to help make this a huge success.

Two of our local hobby shops have also indicated they are going to donate to our cause:

Competition Hobbies—Gift Certificates

Hobby Town—A trainer for our use.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this project!

Ed Fearing

(ourtime61@yahoo.com)

PLANES FOR SALE

I HAVE 4 PLANES READY TO FLY:

1. Chip Hyde Double Vision Bi-Plane w/DA50 \$1200
2. Composite Arf Xtra 330, DA50w/pipe \$1000
3. Hanger 9 Xtra 330 w/DA85 \$1600
4. Hanger 9 Suckohoi w/3W80 Twin \$1000

Or \$4000 for all. All in excellent condition.

Contact Mark Wolters at the field or call 520-312-4580.

A note from the Editor

Thank you everybody for all the articles. Keep up the good work.

All articles are welcome. They can be sent to me at BRG908@aol.com or by snail mail to 2333 W Irvington Pl # 29 Tucson, Az 85746. My phone number is 520-908-0840

ABOUT THE MALL SHOW

The Mall Show has been scheduled for Saturday April 26, 2008 at

Foothills Mall. The times are 9:00 am to 5 or 6 pm.

It would be nice to have about the same number of planes and helicopters that we had at the last mall show, that were 18 planes and 4 or 5 helicopters, both electric and gas. Plans are to have a computer and a TV with a simulator on it.

We will need 3 or 4 volunteers for both the morning shift which is 9 to 1 and the afternoon shift 1 to 5 or 6pm.

Anyone wanting to participate in the mall show either volunteering or having a plane etc in the show, Please contact Dick Saggese by Cell # 907-5753 or by e-mail—RSKZ7Q@aol.com

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