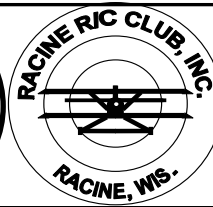




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Racine R/C Club Meeting Minutes

Sunday: September 15, 2019

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: R/C Flying Field

Open Meeting - President Jim Litwin called the meeting to order of the Racine R/C Club.

Welcome - New Members & Guests – Daniel Fucile (new member)

Minutes - Last Meeting – There were no additions or corrections to last month’s minutes.

Reports

President – Compost Site reconstruction has started. Flyers must stay above the cut portion of the field. Turns at either end must be procedural in nature and not drift over compost construction area. Failure to adhere to this may result in field being shut down for duration of reconstruction.

There is a good possibility of a third open day for compost activity at the site after the reconstruction is completed to justify the \$750k cost. The temporary site at the maintenance facility already reflects this with the site being open Sat./Mon./Wed. The club would only be responsible for covering the Wed. opening.

Mt Pleasant Days event was held on Sat. 9/14. Jim, Hoss, Carl, and Dennis manned the event and indicated there was a good flow of people. Jim indicated that this is always a good way to generate positive PR in the village. Jim thanked those members who proudly displayed their planes at the event.

Ray Fisher brought to Jim’s attention the Horizon Hobby/AMA training program. Jim highlighted the program points with an emphasis on the benefits to

Horizon and lack of benefits to the club. It was consensually agreed upon that this was not something the club wanted to pursue.

Vice President – Roger recapped the Open House that was held on August 25th. The vast majority of the flyers were Racine RC Club members with a few sister club attendees. Most notably the Wauertown club which had two flyers present. There were a good number of viewers who came to watch and enjoy the free air show. Roger indicated that the flyers certainly worked up an appetite as numerous hot dogs were consumed.

Secretary / Treasurer – I reported that there was no change in membership from last month. The club was holding at 53 members. Club finances are in good shape with a balance comparable to last year. All major expenses for year have been paid with only field maintenance expenses to be paid. (Jim did point out that for some reason our sponsorship of the girls softball team did not happen this year and would be resumed next year.)

Safety Officer – Dan emphasized the need to fly the slot and not stray over compost reconstruction area.

Field Chairman – Hoss took a moment to thank Smalley and Eric for mowing the field. He also reminded members that there are a few open dates for mowing.

Hoss went on to remind everyone that the walls go up Saturday Oct. 5th and an early Nov wood splitting party is in the works.

Newsletter Editor – Denny had nothing new to report.

Tractor Chairman – Eric indicated that the blades on the mower were changed and that it was given a tune up as he noticed that it was not operating optimally when he was mowing. A concern was brought up about the generator not working and Eric stated he would

look into the situation. (Generator repaired – dirt in carb)

Compost Director – Jerry indicated that as of September 14 members who have compost duty scheduled during the compost site reconstruction will not have to perform that duty. He emphasized that upon completion that the schedule would resume as written. Jerry will send out an email when the site reopening date once it becomes known.

Jerry also reminded us that there is a good possibility next year will be like this year with more time slots than members. It would be a nice gesture for those whose duty was forgiven this year to set up and fill those extra slots next year.

Web Master Justin indicated that the club email server was back up and running.

Old Business – none

New Business – Jim brought to the members attention that the annual opening for By-Law and Field Rule change proposals must be in the Club Secretary's hand by noon, Tuesday October 1st, 2019. These proposals must be written exactly as you want it to be. The proposals will be posted in the October and November News Letter and voted on at November 10th meeting.

Also voting for club officers will be done at the November 10th meeting. You can nominate at the November 10th meeting or earlier to gather support. He also expressed that for anyone seeking change in the clubs operation that would be a good time to step forward.

Jim received a request to post that our enclosed shelter be posted as a "No Smoking Area, and to include "No Vaping". Vaping is bothering to some of our members with pulmonary problems. Currently, Wisconsin No Smoking laws do apply to us and Vaping legislation is being considered.

A motion was made by Hoss to include

No Vaping as part of the No Smoking post. Motion was seconded and a voice vote taken which passed unanimously. Ray raised a concern that the club's gas grill frame was rusting out and in need of replacement. A short discussion was held about replacement at this time or holding over until spring.

NOTE:

(DennyV donated his smaller sized gas grill with LP tank to the RRCC club.

Denny reports he has only used it three times in the past two years)

New Pilots –Congratulations to Jim Hiett

Show & Tell – none

Raffle Drawing – Jim Litwin was the winner and he donated winnings back to club.

Close Meeting – Meeting was closed at 1:50PM

2020 PROPOSED FIELD RULE / BY-LAW CHANGES

Shown below are the two changes that have been proposed. They will be published in the October and November newsletters, and voted on by the membership at the November 10 annual club meeting.

CURRENT FIELD RULE:

10. There should be **NO** intentional flying over pits, parking lot or railroad tracks at any time. Furthermore, when the compost site is open for residents, there should be no intentional flying over the compost site, or that part of the farm field and our grass flying field immediately to the south of the compost site and north of our pits (marked "compost no-fly zone" on the diagram below).

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JIM'S CORNER

You can tell that Fall is here. Cooler nights, trees turning color, more rain and wind, and the sun going down earlier. Building time is approaching!!

Quite a lot of activity going on at the compost reconstruction site. Numerous discussions with the construction people, and the Village Engineers, reveals that many changes in the design of the site have occurred.

The holding pond for runoff water moved to the east end of the site.

Instead of just using a pitched surface to direct water, a storm sewer system with manholes is being installed.

Instead of a 50' grass space between our grass flying field and the compost site, it is now about 10'.

Rather than just a low wall to hold in the grass, brush, etc. on the south edge of the compost site, a 6' high dirt berm has been constructed.

The east end of the construction site has extended further east than originally plotted with appears to be an additional water settling pond.

All of the above mentioned changes do not impact our flying site. Just think of it as 8' high corn running along the north edge of our flying field. Flying during the construction has been limited. The weather has not cooperated, and with the construction going on, it's just not prudent to be flying near the workers. They will be done by the end of the month.

This month's newsletter, as well as next month's newsletter, will contain the proposed Field Rule & By-Law changes. They will be voted on at the November 10th club meeting.

At the November 10th club meeting, which is also the club's annual meeting, the membership will also be voting on next year's club officers. At this time, all current club officers have indicated a willingness to be a candidate for next year. If you are unhappy with

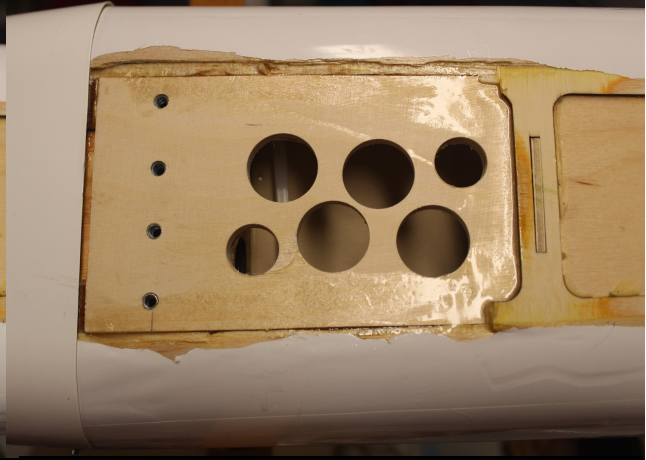
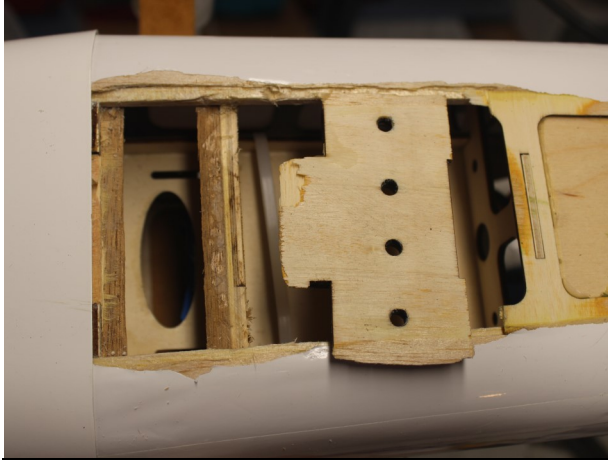
how something is being done in the club, or the way an officer carries out his tasks, submit your name for consideration as a club officer. If you think there is a problem, become part of the answer.

A minor incident recently caused an examination of our first aid supplies. We found that some of our first aid supplies had become affected by the weather; storage was not as it should be; and several items were in short supply. A new orange colored, water proof first aid box has been setup, resupplied, and put in place. Thanks to Eric, the box is clearly labeled. NOTE: Bandages are located in a storage area in the lid of the box, and labeled as such. The tray inside contains tape, cold packs, scissors, powdered aspirin for heart attack victims, etc. The main storage area contains compress material of various sizes, gauze, and some Hydrogen Peroxide. These would be used for serious trauma wounds. Please remember that this is a first response kit for injuries, primarily for controlling bleeding until trained medical staff can be sought out, and does not substitute for utilizing trained medical personnel at a medical facility or EMT medical response personnel. If in doubt, call 911.

At last month club meeting, the membership passed a resolution prohibiting smoking & vaping inside the enclosed shelter area. Signs to that effect have been installed now that the shelter walls are up.

Our next club meeting is being held on Sunday, October 20th at 1 PM at the flying field. Enjoy the weather we have left this fall, with flying the best you can, considering the compost site construction and weather conditions.

Fly Safe & Have Fun
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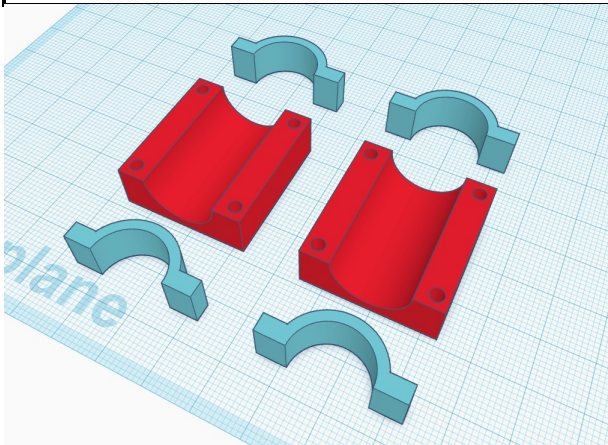


Dennys Stuff

The above photo shows the landing gear structure of my "Revolver" model airplane. That LG plate pulled out of the fuselage after a very smooth landing, while a turn was made using the rudder.

On examination, there was very little glue surface holding that landing gear plate in place.

The above photo shows the repair job on the Revolver landing gear. A new plate was cut out using 1/4 inch plywood. The plate is 30 minute epoxied to the two bulkheads shown on the left photo, And, it is epoxied to the side of the fuselage along with the bulkhead on the right side of the new landing gear plate. Much more secure than the original at only a few ounces of weight..



Hoss indicated he was trying to work out how to install landing gear covers on the Corsair airplane he is working on. And he asked if something could be put together with my 3D printer.

Yup, the drawing at the left shows what we came up with. It took 15 minutes to draw the CAD file, and around two hours for the printer to print the parts. That \$250 3D printer has more than paid for itself over the past year or so.



Racine Club Raizing Crew



October 5th 2019

2019 Racine RC Club Grounds Crew



Dennis Volrath

Darrel Hossalla

Jim Litwin

Rich Smentek

Dan Fucile

Grounds Crew Not Shown

Carl Bergquist

Tom Wampler

Trygve Smalley

Eric Armantrout





SHELTER WALLS DAY

Buzz thanks for the photos!

RACINE RC CLUB 2019 CALENDAR

October 1	Tuesday	Noon	Deadline for submission of Proposed Field Rule & By-Law Changes
October 20	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Meeting - Flying Field
Nov 10	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Annual Meeting - Election of Officers; Vote on proposed Field Rule & By-Law changes
December 15	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Meeting - Flying Field
Jan 1, 2020	Wednesday	9:00 AM	New Year's Day, "First in the Air" Event & Noon lunch (Electric Sunrise - Gas/Glow 9:00)

COMPOST

(The Compost duty roster will not be displayed pending the end of the reconstruction of the compost site)