

State College Radio Control Club Tuesday, November 6th 2012 Meeting Minutes

Ron Lueth called the meeting to order at 7:05. No guests or new members in attendance.

- The October 2nd meeting minutes were approved.
- Treasurer's Report. Jon Guizar reported that since last meeting, we paid Woody Struble for field maintenance. We paid the balance of our debt to 3DHS for our raffle prizes and also paid a small sum to Jack Garbrick to help with electricity usage during our FLI event. We paid \$160 to Christ Community Church for the rental of their gym for our recent indoor flying session. Most of this expense was covered by individual participants paying \$10 each. We also paid \$20 for an insurance rider for the Nittany Mall and another \$60 for an insurance rider for Christ Community Church. These amounts will cover us for one year at both locations. Jon expects no more payments coming due before the end of the year except perhaps one final fee for porta-potty rental. The porta-potty should have been removed from the site by now for the winter. Members voted to approve the Treasurer's report.

- Unfinished business –

Nomination Committee / Officer Elections for 2013. Al Jones advised that we need a candidate for Vice President as Rob Krankel wishes to step down from this office. He made numerous phone calls but has yet to find anyone interested in this position. The other officers are all willing to stay in their positions for 2013. Voting to take place at next month's meeting. One of the responsibilities of the VP is to coordinate programs for monthly meetings. Al Jones volunteered to be the program coordinator if the VP keeps all other responsibilities. Members in attendance seem to be in agreement with this proposal.

SCRC Winter Banquet Update. As reported in previous meetings, Al Jones reserved the February 9th date at Celebration Hall. Ron Lueth requested help with the planning of this event, perhaps forming a committee. Also, we discussed alternatives to this chosen location. For example, Ron found out that Christ Community Church serves a buffet dinner for \$10 per person and we may be able to fly models in their gym for an extra fee. Jon Guizar will find out more about this and Ron will send an e-mail message to members to try to get some feedback on the idea of changing our facility.

Indoor flying Sessions. We had a brief discussion on the recent session held on November 3rd. The gym at Christ Community Church worked out well but flight lines will need to be established. Pilots should stand far enough away from the wall to allow people to walk behind them. Ron will bring orange plastic cones to mark flight lines for the next event.

- New business –

2013 Club Dues. Jon Guizar Recommended that the dues structure remains the same as outlined in our bylaws that we voted on in the September meeting. We will vote on retaining this dues structure in next month's meeting.

Mall Show Update. The exhibition that we held on October 27th at the Nittany Mall was a big success. We had good membership turnout and a huge display of model aircraft. SCRC generated a lot of interest from the public and received good feedback from mall management. The flight simulators that we set up got a lot of use. Members agreed that we should follow this up with a helicopter event at the mall sometime in January as we discussed last month.

Newsletter Editor. Due to the lack of contributions from members, it has been difficult for Jon Guizar to produce newsletters so he is stepping down from this position. Al Jones suggested that perhaps the newsletter should be published quarterly instead of monthly. Doug Williams suggested that we just keep our website up to date and publish member's contributions. Ron Lueth advised us to make better use of the SCRC Facebook. Next month, we will have a vote to decide on keeping or discontinuing the newsletter.

Ron mentioned receiving a message from a man in Duncansville (near Altoona) who is looking for assistance with building two EDF jets. He is willing to pay for this help. Ron will send e-mail messages, with contact information for this person, to SCRC members.

Ron is communicating with a group involved with reducing propeller noise on planes for the Navy. At first they seemed interested in recruiting R/C model pilots to help with trialing their designs but know at least one of these gentlemen is interested in joining SCRC to learn to fly RC models.

Interest in F3P (indoor pattern). Ron Lueth, Jim Ericson and Jack Ericson are interested in F3P and IMAC competitive flying and are looking for other like-minded individuals. Please contact Ron if you want to become involved.

2013 FLI Committee. Ron will be trying to work out a better date with 3DHS ownership, perhaps in August instead of September to avoid the rainy season. Ron will also be looking for volunteers to help with the planning of this event. Last month we voted to pursue this activity.

This Friday, Ron is meeting with B94.5 FM. This radio station would like to arrange an interview with Arron Bates. Also on Friday he will meet with the Spikes (baseball team) to discuss pre-game demonstrations that SCRC may be able to do next season.

- Open Floor Discussion - None
- Coming Events – SCRC Indoor Flying Schedule (Christ Community Church).
 - Nov 3rd: 7:15-9:15 P.M.
 - Nov 17th: 8:00-10:00 P.M.
 - Dec 1st: 5:00-7:00 P.M.
 - Dec 15th: 2:00-4:00 P.M.
- Meeting Adjournment – The motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 pm. Motion Carried.

Show and Tell –

Rob Krankel showed his new Eagle Tree Guardian Gyro for fixed wing models. In 2D mode, this will help to stabilize flight in windy conditions, for example. Also it will help to get a pilot out of trouble if he loses orientation. In 3D mode, it will help to maintain your heading, like keeping a plane in a knife edge for example.

Ron showed us a landing gear set (Hangar tires and aluminum gear for a mid-size plane) that was found in the field behind our flying site. It was hit by farm equipment and cut into several pieces. Ron would like to remind members to clean up after their crashes as much as possible.

- Program – None Scheduled

Respectfully Submitted,

Daryl Allen, Secretary