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IRKS Meeting Minutes 16 June 2010

Gerry Armstrong called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Gerry asked for a motion to approve the April minutes. The motion was made and seconded. Gerry called for a vote to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

Officer Reports



Gerry Armstrong, the President, reported the Flying Site Fund balance is \$43600.89. There are funds allocated for approved projects of \$9957.30, leaving an available balance of \$33641.68 in the Flying Site Fund. There are several completed projects with allocated funds.



Charley Gray, the Vice President, reported that the Mall Show would be held the last weekend of July. It will be held in the same area as last year. However, this year we will also have the space outside the room for additional displays. The AMA suggests that other modeling clubs in the area be invited to participate.



Lee Royer, Secretary, nothing to report.

Mark Sorenson, Membership Secretary, was absent.



John Vennerholm, the Treasurer, reported expenses exceeded income by \$1007.19 for the month, leaving the General Fund balance of \$3219.25. This includes \$420 for new equipment leaving an available balance in the General Fund of \$3219.25.



Ron Huhn, Safety Officer, reported that several empty beer bottles had recently been found at the 524 flying site. He reiterated that this is against club and county policy. He also reported that Mr. Dees, the landfill site manager, frequently likes to visit the field and observe the activities. One of his concerns is that the landfill is considered a bird sanctuary and that we should be mind full of that. We should avoid any birds on the runway or flying in the general area. Mr. Dees had mentioned

to Ron that under no circumstances should anyone harass or chase birds with their aircraft. There was some concern expressed regarding sailplanes sharing the same airspace with soaring birds. Ron and Gerry both said they would discuss this with Mr. Dees at their next opportunity.



Don Fourson, the Event Coordinator, asked Kris Van Nostran to report on the results of the June 12 Sailplane Contest. Kris reported that 15 pilots flew 14 rounds. Gordon Buckland, of the Orlando Buzzards had the highest score. After the contest several pilots attempted to complete some of the League of Silent Flight requirements.

The next club event is the Mall Show. Following that another Fun Fly is scheduled. A CD is needed for the Fun Fly.

- Dave Platt stated that the VRCS contest would not be held this year and suggested that another sanctioned event be held in its place. A jet fun fly was discussed as a possible replacement, but there was concern about flying turbines off a grass strip. If we were to go forward with a jet contest it would have to be made clear in the flyer that the pilots would be flying from a grass strip. Another suggestion was to hold another warbird event as that was very well attended in the past. If anyone has any other suggestions please forward them to Don Fourson.

Old Business

Control Line Sunshade – Postponed until the RC Sunshade repairs are completed.

The charging system load test will be re-scheduled following the repair of the RC sunshade.

The by laws state that any disciplinary actions should be taken before the E-Board and then presented to the general membership. Therefore the motion to expel was considered out of order and would not be presented for a vote.

Following this Hardy Birch made a statement expressing his remorse about the misunderstandings that have occurred regarding some past activities.

A motion to limit non-income spending to \$500 was withdrawn.

The motion to spend up to \$5000 to repair the sunshade and replace any equipment that may have been destroyed was voted upon and passed unanimously.

New Business

A motion was made to close out several projects and release the allocated funds as available funds in the flying site development fund. These projects were the Sunshade, the Sailplane winch and retriever, and the speakers resulting in the release of € \$484.29. The motion passed unanimously.

The trashcan at the 524 site had not been emptied in a long time. A motion was made to eliminate the trashcan at the flying site. This motion was passed unanimously. Everyone should be responsible for taking their trash with them. For future events the CD's will ensure trashcans are available as needed.

Show and Tell

Scott Bauman showed a Wakefield free flight aircraft with a rolled balsa fuselage that he was given. He is in the process of repairing it and hopes to fly it soon.

Dave Keen, a new member, showed an EDF F-18 he recently purchased from Banana Hobby. It weighs 800 grams and the fan produces about 900 grams of thrust.

Bruce Rodriguez showed an E-Flite Brio, which is no longer in production. It weighs about 2 lbs and contains a Turnigy 35-36 brushless motor of about 400 watts. He reported that it even though it was advertised as 3D capable it was not really a 3D aircraft. He said it was a good pattern plane though.

The club voted to award Scott as the winner of the June Show and Tell.

Model of the Month

There was no Model of the Month.

50/50 Raffle

Dave Keen won the 50/50 drawing with \$44 split with Dave and the Flying Site Fun.

Event Reports

It was reported that 25 pilots attended the Control Line Fun Fly, held in Christmas Florida.

Graves RC will be hosting ~~hosing~~ a swap meet Aug 7.

For the good of the Club

Club Field Trip

Attention all Aviation Enthusiasts,

I'm trying to organize a club day trip to Fantasy of Flight.

The idea is to get of group of 15 or more club members to go over to Fantasy of flight for a day of model flying and a museum tour. This notice is to see how much interest there would be in going over for the day, so a date has not been set yet. Steve Thomas of Bob's Hobby Center says he will arrange a better group rate for us than we could normally get, so this could be a fairly cheap trip and a whole lot of fun. If you are interested in going, please send me an email at irks@irks.org and let me know if you would be flying or not.

There will be more info to follow if at least 15 members sign up.

If you haven't heard of, or been to, Fantasy of Flight you can visit their website at www.fantasyofflight.com for more info.

Happy Flying,
Gerry Armstrong

Proposed Event Calendar for 2011

January 20	Awards Banquet
January 22,23	Big Bird Fly In
February 12	Pattern Contest
February 19	Indoor Fly In
February 20	Valkaria (the date may change)
March 5,6	Sailplane # 1 - FSS #2 Contest
April 2,3	Helicopter Contest
May	
June 25	Sailplane# 2 – RES Challenge #2
July 24,25	Mall Show
August 20	Sailplane# 3 – RES Challenge #3
September 24	Sailplane# 4 – Gentle Lady +
October 8,9	SEAR
November 6,7	Veteran’s Day Fly In
November 17	Toy Drive
December	TBA – Control Line Contest

Video Library Corner

The Video Library has just purchased six new videos. They are:

FLY-10	Andrew Jesky Takes RC to a Higher Plane - Vol 1, Foamies and Indoor Flight.
FLY-11	Andrew Jesky Takes RC to a Higher Plane - Vol II, All Things Slick.
TOC-06	2009 Tucson Aerobatic Shootout
WOR-09	2009 Warbirds Over the Rockies
FJ-10	2010 Florida Jets
SEFF-10	SEFF 2010

Safety Corner

Bruce Rodriguez shared a recent experience. While flying an electric park flyer he lost sight of his aircraft. Bruce reported he did not take any action, reduce the throttle, etc. The aircraft crashed nearby with no warning to anyone in the immediate vicinity. Fortunately no one was injured. He said the lesson learned here is that if something like that happened, you should have a plan on what to do, there isn't time to think after it occurs.

Ron Huhn
IRKS Safety Officer

Ron has announced his resignation as Safety Officer.

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Dated Material

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**Next Meeting
Wednesday, July 21st at 7:30 P.M.
Front Street Community Center, Melbourne**