



KINGSTON RADIO CONTROL MODELLERS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting
Monday, March 15th, 2010

Called to Order by Gary Droppo at 7:37 PM with 20 members and 2 guests.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Presented by Jim Murdoch
Moved to accept by: Wilf Hill, Seconded by: Ron Watts

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Rolly Siemonsen
The bank balance is \$8052.96 and the book balance is \$7573.56. The difference is due to an uncashed cheque in the amount of \$479.40 to Mr. Steve Haynes for items from Ernie Armstrong's collection sold at the club auction. Snow plowing has cost \$300 this winter, for 5 plowings at \$60 each. There are now 51 members on the roster.

Moved to accept by: Jay Kingston, Seconded by: Neil McVean

C.F.I'S REPORT: Presented by Cliff Smith
Wednesday evening flight training will resume in mid-April.

Gary Droppo pointed out an aviation article written by Cliff regarding his ride in a vintage Nanchang CJ-6A aircraft. The article appears at this link:
http://www.eaa.org/bitsandpieces/articles/2010-03_best_flight.asp

OLD BUSINESS:

Chili Fest Fun Fly: report presented by Wilf Hill

27 members and guests attended and enjoyed the chili, buns and soft drinks. Due to high winds only 3 pilots flew in the "Topsy-Turvy" event, the winners being Cliff Smith, Gary Vincent and Rolly Siemonsen who each received a gift card from Leading Edge Hobbies. Gary Droppo and Wilf Hill received door prizes. Leading Edge donated \$50 in gift cards. The event cost \$121.33 and enough chili remains for use in the future.

Indoor Fun Fly: report presented by Byron MacLean

Byron offered thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Rene Lebrun for their important roles in making this event a success for the 29 participants. Leading Edge Hobbies donated 5, \$20 gift cards as prizes and the canteen staffed by the Izatt family generated approximately \$78.

Signage: Gary Droppo thanked Ken Gilmour for refurbishing the KRCM sign near the club house.

Auction Report: Presented by Gary Droppo

The Auction Committee reported that the event netted \$474.46. The Executive recommended retaining \$200 within the Operating Account and transferring the \$274.64 balance into the Contingency Fund. A detailed report is included as an Appendix to these Minutes.

A motion to transfer \$274.64 to the Contingency Fund was made by Martin Irvine, seconded by Wilf Hill and approved by the members.

NEW BUSINESS:

Zone Meeting:

Gary Droppo reported that he and Rolly Siemonsen had attended the last Zone Meeting and learned that there is a possibility of a future increase in MAAC dues of perhaps \$10.

Weed Control:

Gary reported that he has arranged for the application of weed-killer to the field by an appropriately licensed business, Willows Agriservices of Harrowsmith. The cost as estimated by them will be approximately \$200.

Fertilizer:

Rod Levesque volunteered to apply fertilizer to the field.

Rolling the Field:

Rolly Siemonsen will manage this.

Field Clean Up:

Planning for a spring cleanup work party will take place at the April meeting.

Portable Toilet Pump-Out:

Rolly advised that this will be done this week.

KRCM Operations Checklist:

Gary Droppo reported on his progress in developing a comprehensive checklist and reference guide for all activities necessary for the operation of KRCM and its events.

Father's Day Fun Fly:

Rod Levesque reported that he will have all the plans in place by May. Volunteers will be needed to act as judges and assistants.

Hot Dog Nights:

Gary presented plans for Hot Dog Nights on Thursdays commencing in May, during which participants can use the barbecue to prepare their meals, practice contest events if they wish and enjoy relaxed evenings of flying and fellowship.

MAAC Sanction of Club Events:

Gary has received MAAC sanction for the Father's Day Fun Fly. Martin Irvine will secure MAAC sanction for the Electric Fun Fly and Wilf Hill will do the same for the Float Fly.

MOTION TO ADJOURN by: Ron Watts Seconded by: Wilf Hill

MEETING CLOSED AT: 8:35 PM

WORKSHOP: Dave Fasken: LiPoly Battery Maintenance and Safety

Appendix

KRCM 2010 Auction Report

We thank the 2010 Auction Team for an outstanding job! Brian Fisher, Mike Siemonsen, Wilf Hill and Jim Murdoch worked hard to produce an enjoyable evening for all.

We also thank Peter Wagner for his donation of 3 aircraft, which produced a major bump in the Club's receipts.

Dale George came from Owen Sound to offer his huge collection of Pitts aircraft for auction. Dale generously donated a 2.4 GHz transmitter and buddy box for use in KRCM's Instruction Program.

The doors opened at 6 p.m. for set-up and browsing. The place was packed full of stuff and Participants. Richard Barlow, MAAC President and Claude Melbourne, MAAC Vice-President and Zone G Director, attended. Richard departed with lots of momentos, including a number of .049 and such engines for use in a youth control-line program which he runs.

Participants were free to settle up and leave at their convenience, but most hung in until the very end, sometime after 1100 p.m. Some KRCM Members remained past midnight to clean up.

Over \$3600 changed hands – by far the largest Auction ever! KRCM netted \$474.46 after expenses. (RCAFA barkeeper received \$50).

Over the past 10 years, we have averaged approximately \$200 profit from each Auction. After consulting with the Auction Team, the Executive has recommended that we retain \$200 of this year's profits within the Operating Account and transfer the balance to our Contingency Fund. This Fund was established in 2009 to accommodate some future, emergency need.

Submitted by Gary Droppo, on behalf of the KRCM Executive



Next meeting
Monday, April 19th, 2010, 7:30 PM
at the RCAFA Club