

The Flypaper

Monthly News Letter of the Freeport IL Radio Control Modelers
AMA Chartered Club #253

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Meeting Night: 7:PM Wednesday, April 7th, Freeport Library.

Spring has sprung: maybe. Time to get your fuel order in. Contact Jerry Colby at (905) 342-3095 or email at Colby, Gerald jerry.colby@hotmail.com the cost per gallon looks to be about \$16.00 presently. HobbyTown has ordered 48 gallons for us, but has not received shipment yet. It is 15% Wildcat, with 18% oil, which is the same we have received in the past.

The Monday night indoor flying at Park Hills Church has really been good. Usually well attended, but has gotten smaller in numbers with the warmer weather coming on. Next flying night is April 11th. The last night will be April 25th until next winter.

Those of you who have airplanes hanging at the Freeport Library are reminded to be at the library at 5:PM next Wednesday to help take the planes down. Be sure you have room in your vehicle to haul them home as well. April 7th will be the last meeting at the library until fall or bad weather, so be there!!!

Jerry Colby has taken a test drive on the new mower. He is waiting for a nice rain so he can roll the field. Craig LeBaron, Jerry and Dave Schuey have come up with a hitch for the new mower. As of today (April 1st) I don't know if it has been installed.

I have had a windsock made at Faye's Tent and Awning, using the framework from Duane Sneek's old cloth sock from Sneek's airport. We might have to modify the top of the present pole we have at Baker's field. The material cost was \$2.75; the sewing cost was \$5.00. It should last at least 2 years. Then Faye's will sew us a new one.

If anyone has some "stuff" for Show and Tell next Wednesday, bring it. I know Tom Burgener has started to paint his F-22 Raptor, which would be nice to see. Troy Lieb has fixed up the old Quadra-35 he got for nothing at the Rockford swap meet, and has it running. Freddie Smith came home from wintering in Arizona with some new airplanes. One is an AT-6 he raves about. Would be nice to see that. Tom Schony put three ARF's together for Bill Niles this past winter; an Extra-300 with a Saito-180 on it, a U-Can-Do-3D, and one other plane, I forgot what it is; maybe it's the Mayhem hanging at the library.

Jerry Colby mentioned that the American flag at Baker's field is in very bad shape and he will be replacing it.

Freeport R/C Modelers Club Meeting Minutes 3 March 2010 at Freeport Public Library

Meeting Called to order at: 7:00pm. Sign in sheet and introductions circulated. Those present were: Jim Elmer, David Shuey, Jack Baxter, Marlin Winsel, Ernie Sjolín, Jerry Colby, Don Rasmus, Tom Burgener, David Nienhuis, James Barthel, Jeff Burd, Craig LeBaron

Meeting Minutes:

1. Minutes from November 2009, January 2010 and February 2010 all were approved.
2. Treasures Report:
 - 48 names on club roster
 - 24 members have paid 2010 club dues, 21 members have paid 2010 mowing fees

- Current balance of general fund is: \$4712.47. The Mowing fund is at: \$1625.98. Petty cash = \$25.00 Total liquid assets are: \$6363.45.
 - The donations for Park Hill Monday night flying for February were \$115.00. They will be disbursed today. Total YTD for Park Hills = \$330.12.
 - Any bills to be paid? Annual web site renewal (\$40.00), and Annual Club Charter (\$170.00). Both approved by those present.
3. Jeff reported that the application was sent in to AMA for the Sneek-In fun fly. He stated the need volunteers for the event. The club has raised landing fee to \$10.00, which will include a raffle ticket.
 4. Report on Park Hill Monday flying, averaging about 20 people. Tom said we would see a new Bi-plane next Monday.
 5. No progress on the fabric that would serve as a runway for small electrics. Tom contacted AMA for information and suggestions but didn't receive much help.
 6. Report on purchasing a new lawn mower. Jeff found a new Toro Titan ZX5400 zero turn industrial grade mower at Freeport Lawn & Leisure at a reduced price of \$4200.00. Most members present agreed that this was a bargain. Various members presented other options including purchasing a lower cost unit, and using an outside service to mow. After lengthy discussion, a motion was made and seconded, to decide if the Toro should be purchased. That motion was approved with a show of hands. All approved with one abstention. A motion was approved to transfer sufficient funds into the mowing account to cover the purchase cost.
 7. The board recommendation to lower the mowing fee and exempt new members for their first year was discussed. The financial results for the various fund raising activities would determine the feasibility of this decision.
 8. Craig talked to Lincoln mall people about doing a show in late April. Club would have to supply tables. Saturdays have a very good turnout. 13' ceilings would allow indoor flying. The suggestion to keep it simple at a small display was discussed. A call for a volunteer to oversee the show went unanswered.
 9. Rockford Swap meet next Saturday opens at 8:00 am. 25 tables remain to be sold.
 10. Removal of display planes in the library will be done before the next meeting.
 11. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by: Jerry Colby Secretary/Treasurer