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TaleSpins

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Next Meeting

The next meeting is
April. 8th, 2010 at 7:30.
The location is at VTS
Productions.

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Fredericksburg Aeromasters Minutes for March 11th, 2010

Call to Order: Jim Chandler

Welcome and call to Order at 7:40 pm

16 members present

Guests: One guest/ prospective new member was present.

Secretary Report; Jerry Gillis

Reviewed Previous minutes, Motion to accept Jim Craig. All in favor

Treasurers Report; Dennis Hagan

Paid up Members for 2010: 44 verified or prospective members, 26 paid and three lifetime

Checking: \$1906.50

Savings: \$961.07

Other

Total: \$2867.57

Raffle income last meeting: No raffle held

Motion to accept Jim Craig, all in favor

Committees:

Training: Jim Chandler

Training is scheduled to start Wednesday the 17th, pending weather and field conditions. Trainers were identified. New trainers should contact Jim Chandler for an trainer assignment.

Field: Jim Craig

The field is flyable, no cutting or mowing needed at this time, but it is a bit soggy. Jim discussed the plan to place 18" concrete squares from and in the impound area to the pit line. The stones in the impound area will be moved to the entrance gate area to relieve the muddy situation that often appears there.

Safety: Derek Cox

No Report, Derek not available.

Old (Other) Business

Jim Hayworth reported that his investigation into surplus professional turf from a Richmond firm turned up negatively in that there was (claimed) never any surplus and that its cost was \$5.00 per square foot . We need about 150' x 6' for the improved pit area which would amount to about \$4500.

Jim Craig made a motion to get the carpet locally (Lowe's or Home Depot/ whichever gave the best deal)

The motion was seconded and approved. Jim Chandler will measure the area and procure the carpet.

The question was raised again as to whether we should roll and/or seed in the near future. Essentially, it was agreed that we should fly the field for a while to see what condition it really is in and determine the need to roll it or not.

Brian Mausolf reported on the 42 Annual WRAM air show in New York that he attended, gave an overview of some new products that were displayed including the Hi Tech Aurora heli 3axis gyro.

Jim Craig made a note to all the we need to be more careful about our trash. Don't bring excess trash to the field and make sure that what is left there makes the trash cans.

Brian Mausolf discussed an on onboard battery switching configuration for starting and sustained ignition at low speeds. Uses primarily a micro switch, onboard 1/2 c NiCad

New Business

Sam Homrighausen was voted in as a lifetime honorary member. Jim Craig made the motion and it was made unanimous by the membership.

**Announcement: Dahlgren Fly In May 1st.
Wingwalker indoor fun fly Sat the 13th at 10.am
April 30-May 1, 2 Heli Spring Fun Fly, Thornburg Club
AMA electronic newsletter is on U-Tube**

Meeting Adjournment: 8:25 Motion by Jim Craig, unanimous approval.

The raffle took in \$58.00 with \$29 paid out.

Raffle Winner: The aircraft donated by Hobbytown was won by Richard Oasen. Following the aircraft raffle, a fifty-fifty raffle was held netting the winner and the club about \$29.00.

Show and Tell

Dennis Hagan displayed a mini electric Piper J-3 from Horizon that binds up with a 2.4 gh DX5E tx. It appeared to be ready to fly right out of the box and appeared to be a good bargain. Small wingspan and light weight probably restricts it to indoor or now wind at all situations.

Jim Craig brought in his Great Plains RV-4. Still has a little work to go on it but it looks really great.

Jim Braithwaite brought in a reamer kit that seemed to be able to make any size non ragged hole.



Wanted/Sell/ Trade Giveaway

If you have an item that you want to Sell/Trade/ Giveaway/ or just need, please contact me with a description of the item, terms desired (price/Trade, etc) and enough contact information for the club membership to contact you if they are interested. A picture would even work. I would hope that this will be a regular item if sufficient interest is shown.

Sale: Trainer Aircraft (and possibly other RC stuff) used by Brian Morganstern. Contact Richardmorganste@aol.com or call 540-657-8343 or 540-220-3637.



Observations: Training days have kicked in and are already pretty busy.

The tractor starts.

Springtime is windy!

The recent snows appeared to do little damage, except possibly to the boat, which is sunk.

We had our first club trainer go down, that's how we found out about the boat.

The club charter renewal has just been submitted and a club roster will be forwarded to all members in the next couple of days along with one posted at the field indicating eligible club members. (to date)