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## Next Meeting

The next club meeting is  
March 9, 2006  
at 7:30. The location is  
at VTS Productions.

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### Hooray for Hollywood!

Doug's Hobby Shop in Waldorf, MD is now closed, but don't fret, because everything was moved to the Hollywood, MD store.

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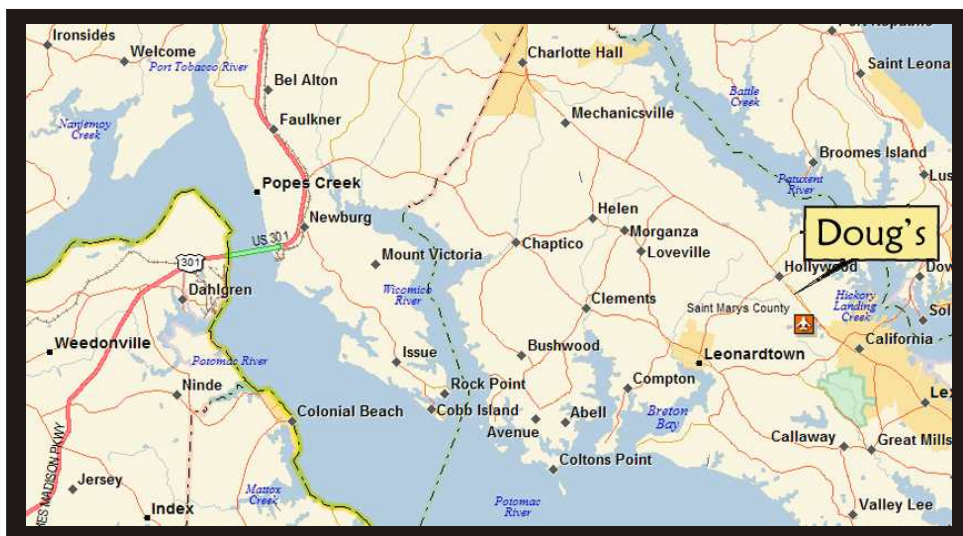
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## **Aeromasters February 2006 meeting minutes.**

Fredericksburg Aeromasters met at VTS Productions 9 February 2006. President Joe McCary called the meeting to order at 7:44 p.m. complementing the fact that 23 members were in attendance including one guest member. The Secretary read the January dinner meeting minutes. Bob Snelson noted that the minutes should reflect 13 years of All Season flying participation - so noted and the minutes were approved. Treasurer Hank Mausolf reported the club finances - \$1563.44 in checking, \$204.60 in savings and a CD of \$1022.40, an increase of \$272.98 with 28 paid-up members for 2006. All approved.

**New Business:** The club website was discussed with good dialogue. Gary Graham asked how often the website gets updated, current and past cost for the website (\$95.40 annually) was reviewed and it was noted that Brian Mausolf was interested in taking this project if the members and existing manager James Bingham agreed. Doug Smith and 5-6 other members shared the fact that it was through the existing website that they were able to become involved with Aeromasters. VP Jim Chandler volunteered to check with James regarding Brian becoming the new web manager. Members expressed interest in having the newsletter posted to the site for current information and overall cost savings to the editor for mailings. Doug Smith made a motion to allow Brian Mausolf to become the domain manager following coordination between Jim Chandler and James Bingham. Steve Watkins seconded the motion, all approved.

Doug Smith presented a prorated dues schedule based on service and support to Aeromasters and Dave Miller seconded the proposal- later rescinded after deliberation and considerable input from several members. Jim Braithwaite conveyed that the club has thrived on goodwill and participation standard fees and prefers not to increase dues for members who for various reasons may be unable to contribute more. Michael Trant ? liked the freedom of choice that Aeromasters offers to a cross-section of people without penalty for job or health challenges during the year (does not wish to charge more at the year end or give back money to someone who worked harder during a particular cycle). Steve Watkins saw challenges in implementing, managing or monitoring prorated dues. Ed Russell explained that the constitution avails the best formula for managing the affairs and recommended leaving things alone until there is executive committee approval. Ernie expressed interest in performance awards and the President proposed that Doug's proposal go before the executive committee that includes two members at large. The proposal was rescinded to enable the committee to make a recommendation.

Hank Mausolf stated that the CD matures within the business week and needs to be rolled over. Bob Snelson and Charles McGehee suggested good rates of return through Wachovia. Ed Russell suggested Hank be given 10 days to seek the best rate and option available. This led to a motion by Dan Hayworth, seconded by Dave Miller to enable Hank to use proper discretion to conduct the rollover. So voted.

Hank and Joe McCary noted that Doug's in Hollywood, Maryland is the sole site now for Doug's Hobby Shop. The Waldorf location is gone. Look in the newsletter or online for directions to the Hollywood location.

Steve Watkins said there is an indoor flying event in the Waldorf area 6 p.m. on Sunday 12 February 2006. Electrics, free-flight and other demos will be conducted at a local church activity center. Similarly, Gary Graham offered to check with the local school principal if Aeromasters wished to have future indoor events.

The Secretary was asked to provide current 2006 membership cards.

**Old Business:** Aeromasters Hats and Jackets were discussed. It was decided that 12 jackets and 44 hats would be priced and purchased from one or two local vendors. Dan Hayworth made a motion, seconded by Jim Braithwaite and/or Gary Graham to allow Bob Snelson to follow-up on price quotes for hats and jackets w/logo from the previous providers (example: Jonathan & Company) and to make purchases based on best quote. All approved.

WRAM – Hank Mausolf and son Brian, Doug Smith and daughter Ashley, Jim Chandler and Jim Braithwaite are attending one or more days and traveling in pairs from homes...if interested please contact one of these members for details.

Hank mentioned that the Youth Masters Sequence was obtained for this year's event.

Jim Braithwaite volunteered to be the new Field Safety officer.

Joe expressed need for a Field Chairman and Jim Chandler agreed to take the lead and share the grass mowing responsibilities; Steve Watkins, Dan Hayworth, Jim Braithwaite and Scott Stimpson will help along with ongoing member support. The aging lawn mower was discussed with funds and goodwill effort to acquire additional equipment.

Joe commended the volunteers and Scott Huff's support with the Activities Program but due to other commitments we need a replacement – see Joe if interested.

**Training:** Doug Smith needs more instructors with increased new joins to RC flying. Proficiency levels was touched upon and available time for students to fly without over taxing instructors, students or veteran flyers needing time on station. Steve Watkins suggested an instructor pool list. Doug likes continuity for students until they solo depending on proficiency and what works best. Joe reviewed the importance of the current AMA rules and regulations. A copy will be posted in the (April) newsletter. Jim Chandler will check the port-a-pottie status for winter cleanliness.

Steve Watkins won the raffle and added the proceeds to the mower fund.

It was mentioned that for Ashley Smith's birthday a cake was available for the members following the meeting.

Doug Smith motioned to close the meeting, Bob Snelson seconded –all approved.

Show & Tell time; Joe McCary showed club members his Erocoupe pilot (last made by the producer), moleskin seating, and avionics display (custom made).