



# THE **RCRC** NEWSLETTER



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July 2013

## President's Message

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Now days the weather is hot and humid. Everyone needs to keep hydrated while at the field. There are water bottles in the drink machine. There is also an extra supply of water bottles in the refrigerator in the club house for the same price.

During our July board meeting the first edition of the events schedule for 2014 was developed for presentation at our July membership meeting. This schedule is presented elsewhere in this newsletter. Next year we are considering developing May's cub day into a Huntsville appreciation day. This was suggested by Jose, our District Vice President, during his visit in June. Whether or not this idea matures will depend, (among other considerations), on support by the membership. All the details of this event are to be worked out in the future. The Big Bird and War Bird/Wounded Warrior events will again need qualified CD's if they are to be held as sanctioned events. All interested members and our present CD's and potential CD's need to look this event edition over and provide any comments. Come to the July meeting and be heard.

We have been unable to contact Clarence Hauck of the Civil Air Patrol, CAP. I have emailed the contact person of the downtown CAP squadron but have not received an answer. I still think the idea of partnering with them is a good way to bring young members into the club.

John Pieczynski has several photos of our club day and Big Bird events on our web home page. Check them out. On behalf of the board; thanks John for your time and effort.

On July 27 is our War Bird/Wounded Warrior event. Attend and show the club your war birds. Let's have a good turnout.

If you have a program topic you would like to have presented, let the board know.

Fly safe and stay in the zone.

Jim

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## June 2013 General Membership Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2013 General Membership Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by the President. All Board members were present.

A quorum was not present.

Two new members introduced themselves—Matt McCarty and Tom Wimsatt. We welcome them and look forward to seeing them at the flying field.

The May and June newsletters were approved.

The Treasurer's report was made and approved as read.

The President reported a\on a couple of items as follows: A number of RC airplanes and related parts were donated by a stranger Mark Arski at the recent Big Bird event. These will be inventoried and made available for bids by the membership. The IRS responded with notice of acceptance of our application and fee payment. He has been unsuccessful in reaching the CAP regarding further interest on their part for a joint educational program for the Cadets. He will continue to make contact and feels that we can accommodate a half dozen students providing sufficient interest is shown.

The VP reported good results at the Big Bird event, which was attended by our District VP, Jose Soto, who made several suggestions for future events with his support. These include a City appreciation Day which could be potentially a part of next year's Club Day event and his support for a District Flyin which He would plan and fund, with Club support. (Soto also announced that he will not run for reelection as District VP but will run for election as AMA President, encouraging Rick Grimm to run as his replacement.)The President added a comment noting that Soto took the opportunity at the lunchtime gathering to present Basil Cooper a nice plaque on behalf of the AMA in recognition of Basil's generous donation to the AMA scholarship fund which was announced several months ago on the AMA website.

A suggestion was made to change the website wording to invite non-RCRC AMA members to join us for the War Bird event in July. The Web Editor will be asked to do this.

David Seymour received an e-mail from an individual in Hollywood, Al offering to sell a lot of RC planes. This will

be forwarded to the membership by e-mail for action by those interested.

### NEW BUSINESS

The President noted that the CD corrected the date for the BPA Pattern event to Aug 9-11 as shown in the Newsletter. This change was approved.

Team USA sent an e-mail notification of a drawing to raise funds for the team trip to compete in South Africa. Since the Club has made a contribution already, the Club will not participate. However the notice will be forwarded to the membership for those who wish to participate.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded at 7:35 followed by a presentation by Basil Cooper on how lift is created on an aircraft wing and a drawing for door prizes.

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## July 2013 RCRC BOD Meeting Minutes

July 2, 2013 RCRC BOD Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM.

The 2014 Events schedule was proposed and accepted and will be published in the July Newsletter.

Letters of thanks from Dave Mathewson, AMA Executive Director, and the Team Manager of the US F3ATeam were received in recognition of the Club's contribution to the RC Acrobatics Team. An autographed photo of the Team was included. The letter will be read at the July meeting and the photo will be framed and hung in the Clubhouse.

Jon Lowe's request to move the date of the AMA Pattern event was approved. The revised event calendar will appear in the Newsletter and on the website.

The President sent a letter by e-mail to the CAP Chapter's John Hall to determine further interest and status of the proposal made some time ago by Clarence Hauck.

The President asked for comment on a proposed letter to Mayor Battle asking for his declaring July 27, the date of our War Bird event, as Huntsville Model Aviation Day to support and encourage public attendance. The VP will prepare a suitable press release and make distribution to appropriate local media.

The VP reported that his Committee is making progress in its review of the Flying Field Regulation proposed change. An improved aerial photo showing the boundary of safe flying at the site was reviewed and will be placed in the bulletin board in the shed.

Favorable comments regarding the website posting of photos from recent events were made and the website will be expanded to recognize John Pieczynski's work.

A number of RC airplanes and related parts were donated by Mark Arski at the recent Big Bird event. These will be inventoried and made available for bids by the membership.

The IRS responded with notice of acceptance of our application and fee payment.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

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## Proposed 2014 Event Schedule

Event	Date	CD
Huntsville Appreciation/ Club Day	May 14, 2014	Vice President
Big Bird	June 14, 2014	TBD
War Bird/Wounded Warrior	July 19, 2014	TBD
BPA Pattern	August 8-10, 2014	Gary Courtney
AMA Pattern	September 12-14, 2014	Jon Lowe
Toys for Tots	November 7&8, 2014	Bob Walls

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## 2013 Events

- Club Day** May 18, 2013: Basil Cooper  
**Big Bird** June 8, 2013: Basil Cooper  
**War Bird** July 27, 2013: Basil Cooper  
**BPA Pattern** Aug 9-11, 2013: Gary Courtney  
**AMA Pattern** Sept 20-22, 2013: Jon Lowe  
**Toys for Tots** Nov 1-2, 2013: Bob Walls

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## Reminder:

**Warbird Fly-in/ Wounded Warrior on July 27, 2013.**



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**July 2013**

**2012 RCRC EVENTS**

	16 July	7:00 PM	RCRC Membership Meeting	Bill Mitchell	(256) 975-5687
	6 Aug	7:00 PM	RCRC BOD Meeting	Bill Mitchell	(256) 975-5687

**\* Field closed to non-participants during this event.**

**\*\*\* Field closed Fri before event at noon .**