



THE **ROCKET CITY RADIO CONTROLLERS, INC.** **RCRC** **NEWSLETTER**
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November 2013

President's Message

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The November meeting is our annual club meeting. The board plans to arrive at 6:00 pm to accept 2014 membership applications ahead of the meeting.

At our annual meeting the new slate of officers will be elected and installed.

Absentee ballots were mailed to the membership in October. If you don't plan on attending the meeting, please mail in the ballots so that they will arrive in the post office prior to the meeting date.

As part of the November meeting old business section, the membership will have to vote again on the revised flying field regulations since there wasn't a quorum at the October meeting.

The Toys for Tots event was held on November 1 and 2. Bob Walls and his staff did an excellent job of setting up the event. Thank you, thank you. At least 12 pilots attended.

The donated items are still for sale in the club house. Let a board member know if you are interested.

Fly safe and stay in the zone.
Jim



October 2013 General Membership Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with only 12 members present which does not make a quorum.

One new member was present, Chris Ward, who introduced himself to the membership.

Three guests were present representing the local CAP chapter, Joseph Viviano, Michael Guthrie and John Hall. They were introduced by Clarence Hauck.

The minutes in the September and October Newsletters were approved as written. The October minutes will require approval at the November meeting since a quorum was not present.

The Treasurer's report was made and approved. The Club had a \$648 loss YTD.

The Newsletter Editor said that the ballot for election of next year's Officers will mail out by the end of this week.

The Vice President reported that the AMA continues to experience a membership decline and in order to avoid dues increase to offset this loss of revenue has permitted Nationwide Insurance to place promotional material on the AMA website offering discounted premiums to AMA members. He also said that the latest estimate for release of the proposed FAA rule changes dealing with unmanned aircraft in the National airspace is January 2014.

The Safety Committee report referred to the subject of tonight's program- the recent fatal accident involving the pilot of an RC helicopter while performing extreme maneuvers in close proximity to himself and how it relates to our Club safety rules in general.

OLD BUSINESS

The proposed flying field regulations included as a part of the September Newsletter was brought to the floor with a motion to approve which was seconded. Discussion followed. A motion was made to amend rule 6 to read "Effective engine silencers are required on all engines 0.10 CID or larger". The motion was seconded and failed to be approved. The original motion was then brought to a vote and was approved. With the absence of a quorum, the matter will be voted on again in November.

NEW BUSINESS

Peter Wick inquired about whether his authority for fuel sales, to sign up new members and to be a contact with SWADA will continue after election of new officers. The President said to wait for direction after

the new leadership is determined. Peter expressed his willingness to continue with these duties.

The President inquired whether anyone had heard anything from Bob Walls regarding the Toys for Tots Fly in. Getting no response he said he would see what the status is.

The President reminded the group of the tradition of placing pictures of passed members on the wall of the Clubhouse. Paul Webb volunteered to contact Bob Vanderzyl's wife to obtain a suitable photo.

Clarence Hauck commented that he and the CAP folks are used to structured lives and his observations of members at the field and the organized approach and concern for safety demonstrated in the conduct of the meeting are well received and will be supported by the new CAP members.

The meeting concluded with showing a demonstration video of the performance of the F15 and the meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.



November 2013 RCRC BOD Meeting Minutes

The meeting came to order at 7:00 PM. All Board members were present except the Newsletter Editor.

The President reported that he received a letter from the Wounded Warrior Project acknowledging our contribution and thanking us for it. He will share this with the membership at the November meeting.

We noted the memorial plaque prepared by Jim and placed on the wall with the others in remembrance of Bob Vanderzyl

The President said that he had not heard more from the CAP regarding the MOU and further plans for the program.

We reviewed the November President's Message draft with comments and the meeting closed at 7:45 PM.



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2013 RCRC EVENTS

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	19 Nov	7:00 PM	RCRC Membership Meeting		
	3 Dec	7:00 PM	RCRC BOD Meeting		

* Field closed to non-participants during this event.

*** Field closed Fri before event at noon .