



THE RCRC NEWSLETTER
ROCKET CITY RADIO CONTROLLERS, INC. HUNTSVILLE ALABAMA



... an AMA Award of Excellence Club!

Proudly serving the Huntsville community at the Captain Trey Wilbourn Model Airplane Field.

P.O. Box 2163

Huntsville, AL 35804

February 2016

President's Message

It's snowing! I hope everyone takes advantage of the great indoor weather that we have been having, to prepare some new models for flying when the temps rise and the wind speed falls. It was great to see so many of you out at the field taking advantage of the good outside weather last weekend. We had a steady stream of pilots and aircraft pretty much all day both Saturday and Sunday. That's the way to some flying into this airport!

Remember to vote on the proposed bylaw quorum changes by the next club meeting. You can vote online at RocketCityRC.com or come to the meeting to have your vote tallied in person.

I want to thank John Williams for his service as Field Chairman. He has served this club well with the upkeep of our facilities. Unfortunately, due to events beyond his control, we need to appoint a new Field Chairman. This is a very important position in the operation of our club and appeal to you to lend a hand in helping out to continue to keep this club a great place. Please contact me via president@RocketCityRC.com to help out!

As many of you know, FAA UAS registration is in full swing and the AMA has instructed its members to register in the FAA system. I cannot emphasize enough that there will be no changes of any kind to club rules, regulations, or flight operations without explicit direction from the AMA. I will be happy to discuss the issue with any members, but in the interest of meeting brevity, I would like to keep such discussion personal and post-meeting. Take care and happy flying!

Bob Templeton, President RCRC
AMA Member Communication: <http://goo.gl/2kxjQn>

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**Minutes of the January 19th, 2016
RCRC Club Meeting**

At 6:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by president, the secretary was absent. A quorum was present.

Treasurer Report:

- Income = \$1,817.98
- Expenses = \$196.00
- Checking balance = \$3,194.70
- Money MKT = \$7687.05

This report was approved by the membership.

Old Business:

Last month's Meeting Minutes voted and passed.

Safety Officer Report - Nothing to report. Passed.

Discussed drone registration:

FAA registration policy

Club position regarding FAA registration

Meaning of "No fly zone" versus restricted flying

No change from prior discussions published in the December Newsletter.

New Business:

Newsletters will be provided to members who's dues are paid up (unpaid members will not)

Change to the Club bylaws pertaining to quorum requirements will be decided upon in February

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.



Board of Directors Meeting, February 5th, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm. at Starbucks in Madison, AL.

Review of updated 2015 Club Expense and Income report/balance sheet was provided by John Tubb.

Review of Internal Auditor Report was submitted to City of Huntsville.

Bob Templeton notified us that he purchased the Business License from the City of Huntsville.

We discussed means to decrease the number of gas-powered trainer airplanes maintained by the club. One method discussed was selling them by silent auction at the Swap Meet in May. We're open to options.

We need to decrease the amount of 5% fuel being stored at the field. Ways of doing this was discussed, including one proposal to decrease the price to \$6.00 per bottle.

Lawn cutting expenses that are incurred from an additional cutting asked for by the event director will now become part of event expenses.

The Pylon Race for 2016 is cancelled.

Avion's Relationship with RCRC:

Bob Templeton is currently working with them to finalize their relationship to our club:

- A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between RCRC and Avion will be obtained
- An AMA membership will be required
- 20 White Visitor Cards are to be purchased
- There are to be 5-10 Trainees per training event
- The MOA will be valid for a 12 month time period and re-evaluated thereafter.

The BOD meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.



SWAP MEET NOTICE

SWAP MEET MAY 7th, 2016

We will hold the swap meet at the RCRC airfield this year. I will need a number of people to help with this event. The majority of time will be on the Friday before and day of event. Help with registration/slot assignment, food/beverages, or safety patrol/engine run area are also needed.

Please email me if you have time to assist.

Regards,

Alan Berard



RCRC Bylaw changes

Original Bylaw

**Article Four
Meetings**

Section 4: The presence of not less than twenty percent (20%) of the voting members or twenty (20) voting members (whichever is less) two of which must be officers, shall constitute a quorum.

Proposed Change

**Article Four
Meetings**

Section 4: The presence of not less than ten percent (10%) of the voting members or ten (10) voting members (whichever is less) two of which must be officers, shall constitute a quorum.

Yes _____

No _____



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TO:

2016 RCRC EVENTS

<u>2016 RCRC EVENTS</u>				
May 7, 2016	All Day	Swap Meet	CD: Alan Berard	
May 21, 2016	All Day	Club Day	ED: Vice President	
June 17, 2016	All Day	Big Bird	CD: TBD	
July 16, 2016	All Day	Pylon Races	CD: Alan Berard	
August 19, 20, 2016	All Day	War Bird	CD: TBD	
September 17, 18, 2016	All Day	AMA Pattern	CD: Jon Lowe	
November 19, 2016	All Day	Toys for Tots	CD: Alan Berard	

The field will be closed to members on Friday at noon before all field events, except Club Day and Toys for Tots. The field will be released back to the club by CD when the event is finished.