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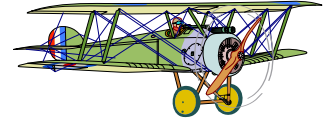
President's Message

Spring forward! I don't wish to jinx it, but the pre-spring weather has been great. We have been seeing some great turnouts on the weekends. I love to see all of the members taking advantage of the warmer temperatures and getting out to the field and getting some flights in and socializing.

It was brought up at the February meeting that the bylaws stated that voting ballots be mailed to all members 30 days prior to the vote and that electronic newsletter, email and online voting were not an acceptable means of fulfilling this requirement. After checking the meeting records, a clerical error was discovered where the bylaw updates made last October and November omitted the approved and passed wording that allows for these newer means of communication to the membership. The bylaws will be updated to resolve this clerical error and the president and secretary will sign. Once signed and scanned, the updated bylaws will be placed on the website for public access. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please don't hesitate to contact me.

The quorum reduction failed to pass at the last meeting by one vote. With lack of participation at club meetings, the current quorum requirement (20 people or 20% of membership) makes it very difficult to even get previous meeting minutes passed let alone any important items for action. I will be suggesting the quorum reduction again and, as before, we will follow the process dictated by the bylaws trying to get it approved. If you care about your club and would like to contribute your input, please try to attend the monthly membership meetings. Your opinion and participation are welcome and is greatly appreciated.

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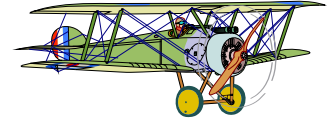
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President's Message (Cont.)

Daylight Savings Time begins before the next meeting, so it will still be light to get some flying in before the meeting. I hope to keep the next meeting brief so we can get right to the program: FPV flying. We'll have different kinds of equipment and aircraft on-hand to demonstrate, show off, and discuss. I hope to see you there! Take care and happy flying!

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



**Minutes of the February 16th, 2016
RCRC Club Meeting**

Meeting called to order at 1800.

Vote for Proposed changes to Bylaws: Total Votes includes on-line, mail-in and in-person. 15 yes, 8 no.
Proposal thus failed, lacking a 2/3 majority approval.

Approved minutes for the last meeting (19 Jan 2016) as written.

Treasurer Report Balances:

Income =	\$635.50
Expenses =	\$308.16
Money Market =	\$7688.02
Checking =	\$3870.90

Treasurer report was approved by the membership.

Safety Report – Nothing to report.

Discussions were held regarding club membership and related budget, income and expenses. No motions were made at the meeting.

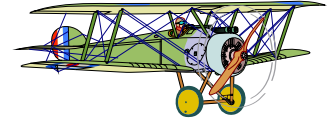
Old Business - None

New Business:

- A new field chairman is needed. John Williams is stepping down after serving several years this capacity. Thank you for your service to our club.
- CD's for War Bird and Big Bird events are needed. A suggestion to mentor new CD's for these events was also discussed, so if you are interested let one of the current CDs or Board Members know.
- The Pylon Race for 16 July 2016 has been cancelled.
- Discussions were held regarding the current trainer fleet. A proposal to sell all but two identical trainer aircraft was discussed. No decision was made, and the topic was deferred to BOD.
- A plan to review the history of By-Law changes over the past couple of years by the BOD was mentioned.

Meeting adjourned at 1845.

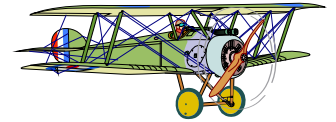
Regards,
Alan Berard



Board of Directors Meeting, March 3rd, 2016

1. The president presented the club renewal fees for two members to the club treasurer for record and deposit.
2. The president has completed and submitted the AMA Charter renewal package for RCRC. The \$200 fee was paid for with the club credit card. The original copies of this renewal package will be stored in the clubhouse filing cabinet. The Alfa insurance policy renewal will not be due until October.
3. The board has confirmed its intent to sell all but two identical trainer aircraft setups via silent auction at the May Swap Meet.
4. The board discussed new ways to increase membership and participation. Some items were discussed were quadcopter racing, FPV flight, and new technology demonstrations.
5. The program for the March 15th club meeting will be FPV show and tell.

The BOD meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.



SWAP MEET NOTICE

Middle Point R/C Flyers



22nd Annual



Swap Meet

Saturday, March 12, 2016

Murfreesboro, TN - National Guard Armory

Table Reservations:

- \$10.00 per table
Tables not reserved by March 4, 2016 will be charged the day of the swap meet rate:
- \$15.00 per table the day of the Swap Meet (subject to availability)
- Setup at 7am for vendors/sellers
- Doors open to general public from 8am-12:00pm
- Concessions available

Raffle:

Spektrum DX7 - tickets \$5

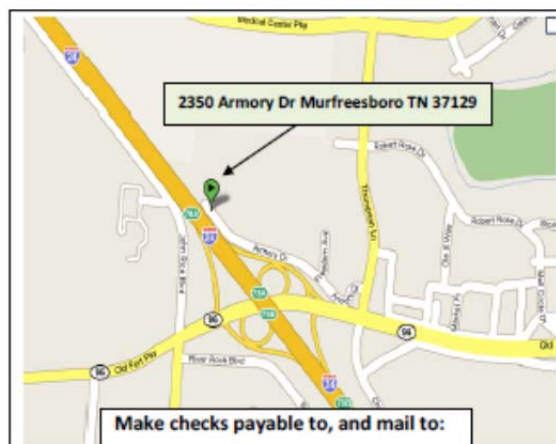


Directions:

I-24 exit 78-B. East on Hwy 96. Left onto Thompson Lane. 1/2 block to a left onto Armory Drive. Armory is at the end of the road. The entrance is in back.

General Admission: Adults \$5.00; Children 12 and under are free

Contact: Myron Noyce (615) 496-4375 jay.bee19@yahoo.com



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TO:

2016 RCRC EVENTS

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March 15, 2016	All Day	Swap Meet	Myron Noyce	(see flyer)
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	
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.