



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



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

P.O. Box 2163

Huntsville, AL 35804

April 2016

# President's Message

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The good weather continues albeit a little on the windy side so keep flying and enjoying the club!

Two bylaw amendment proposals were passed by quorum at the March club meeting. In accordance with current bylaw amendment procedures, these proposed changes can be seen below in this newsletter and paper ballots for these changes have also been mailed to all current voting members. Final voting for these changes will take place at the May 17, 2016. Please return your completed ballot to any current board member, bring it with you to the May 17 meeting, or return it via mail to the RCRC mailing address. I will also have ballots with me whenever I'm at the field if you need one. The PO Box will be checked the day of the meeting as well. These bylaw changes are crucial to being able to manage this club efficiently so please make sure you vote! Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about these proposed changes.

It has been brought to our attention that the field log book entries have been modified after initial entry. Please to not alter any entries in the log book other than your own. If you have an issue with another member's entry, take it up with that member or a board member rather than defacing the club logs.

The May 7 Swap Meet is quickly approaching. Now is a good time to begin gathering and preparing the items that you want to sell. Seller permits are \$10 prior to the event and \$15 the day of the event. You can register online at our web site or contact Alan Berard (Event CD). Event volunteers are also needed. Please contact Alan if you can help out.

Fly well, fly safe!!

Bob Templeton  
President - RCRC



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**Minutes of the March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
RCRC Club Meeting**

Meeting Called to Order @ 1800

All board members were present.

New Members in attendance - Larry Mitchell and Jeff Heller, welcome aboard.

Old Business - February Published Meeting minutes, as written in current newsletter (March2016) - approved/Passed

Treasurer Report:

|                |   |           |
|----------------|---|-----------|
| - Income       | = | \$437.75  |
| - Expenses     | = | \$318.11  |
| - Money Market | = | \$7688.94 |
| - Checking     | = | \$4387.65 |

Both February and March's Treasurer's Reports were passed on separate votes

Safety Reports - January and February reports passed by vote.

March safety report - Please program safety throttle Kill Switch for all electric planes. Passed

Old Business - War Bird Event was discussed. John Tubb will serve as CD for this event. Discussion to move event to cooler season, (October) was suggested.

New Business -

Memorial Wall Picture for Walt Theodore (Ted) Kaiser - May 25, 1928 - February 2016. Approved.

Proposed change to Flying Field Regulations.

To delete Section 8, paragraph G.  
Failed by vote, 6 Yes, 11 No, and 1 abstained.

Proposed Changes to By Laws

It was a unanimous decision (18-0) to revise the bylaw Article Eleven Section 2, to remove the requirement for the physical mailing of ballots to all members. Also approved was meeting quorum reduction. Final wording will be published in the newsletter and mailed to all current members in ballot form in accordance with the current bylaws.

A presentation on UAV's was made by Tommy Whitaker of Emergent RC. Thank you for your time!

Meeting adjourned at 1844

Regards,  
Alan Berard



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**Board of Directors Meeting, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016**

Meeting was called to order at 1800

John Tubb was absent, all others present.

Plan to mail the proposed Bylaw Changes to membership for vote.

Article Four, Section 4, and

Article Eleven, Section 2

Proposed Bylaw changes will be mailed to all current members.

Proposed National Aviation Day, Fun Fly, on August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016. CD/ED will be John Tubb.

Log Book – Comment markups (crossed off) noted by RCRC member. To be addressed in President's Message in April newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 1815

Alan Berard



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## PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

### RCRC Members

The proposed bylaw changes below have been approved by a quorum at the club meeting held on March 15, 2016. The final vote on these changes will take place at the May 17, 2016 club meeting. Please deliver this completed ballot in person to the May 17 meeting or by mail to the RCRC mailing address (Rocket City RC, P.O. Box 2163, Huntsville, AL 35804)

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### **ARTICLE** **FOUR:** **(MEETINGS)**

#### **Original Bylaw:**

**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:**

- Yes** **Section 4:** The presence of not less than ten percent (10%) of the voting members or  
 **No** ten (10) voting members (whichever is less) two of which must be officers, shall constitute a quorum.

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### **ARTICLE** **ELEVEN:** **(AMENDMENT)**

#### **Original Bylaw:**

**Section 2:** Once the changes have been approved, they are published in the newsletter in ballot form, and mailed to all voting members at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting where the final vote is taken. The changes must be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present at that meeting or who vote by mailing in the ballots in the newsletter. A ballot returned by mail before the meeting is counted as if the member were present. The newsletter editor will provide a list of eligible voters and ballots for that meeting.

#### **Proposed Change:**

- Yes** **Section 2:** Once the changes have been approved, they will be published in the  
 **No** newsletter in ballot form at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting where the final vote will take place. The changes must be adopted by at least a two-thirds majority of all votes. Votes may be cast online on the RCRC website, delivered in person to the meeting, or returned via postal mail to the RCRC mailing address prior to the voting meeting.



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**TO:**

**2016 RCRC EVENTS**

| <b><u>2016 RCRC EVENTS</u></b> |         |                     |                 |  |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------------------|-----------------|--|
| May 7, 2016                    | All Day | Swap Meet           | CD: Alan Berard |  |
| May 21, 2016                   | All Day | Club Day            | ED: Al Blair    |  |
| August 13, 2016                | All Day | Model Aviation Day  | ED: John Tubb   |  |
| September 17, 18, 2016         | All Day | AMA Pattern         | CD: Jon Lowe    |  |
| October 8, 2016                | All Day | Big Bird & War Bird | CD: John Tubb   |  |
| 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.