

THE **RCRC** NEWSLETTER



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June 2017

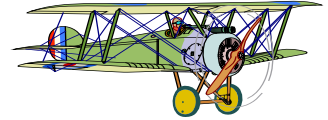
President's Message

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Great things are happening! The construction of the Multirotor Pavilion (drone pit) was accomplished in just three days. A HUGE thanks goes out to all those that contributed to its construction: Shannon Lones, Chad Hollis, Kevin Hollis, Tom Durgin, Wade Sims, Javiheir Hogan, Keith Carter, and Mike Duncan...and to the RCRC membership for approving the budget.

The eyebrow roof on the back of the pit cover has been restored and more repairs and improvements are the way! New windsocks have been ordered, vegetation killer has been acquired and will be distributed when weather permits, and large fans for the main and drone pits will be installed soon to help beat the heat. If you have any suggestions for maintenance or improvements, please notify Wade Sims or the RCRC board. Thanks for your input.

Thank you Fred Herrmann for getting the ball rolling on needed road and runway issues with the City and Parks and Recreation. The entrance hump has been repaired. We have also been contacted by Parks and Recreation directly and they are planning on addressing our pot hole and runway divot/lake problems in the coming weeks (weather permitting). Please give any work crews full liberty and cooperation to accomplish their work. Feel free to help identify the problem areas if needed. Obviously, flying is not permitted when any work crews are present.



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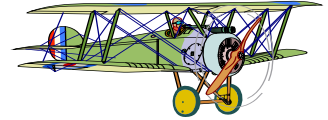
Club Day 2017 was a huge success. There were thirty pilots registered with well over 100 aircraft present. We had great spectator turnout as well. The drone racing tech/mentoring/practice session that was executed was extremely popular. We had quite a few visiting pilots and their families and friends attend and there were several new member sign-ups as a result of their positive experience at RCRC during the event. Great fun was had by all! Thank you Al Blair for holding the most successful Club Day that we've had since I've been a member.

Arising from questions asked during Club Day, Don Apostolico will conduct a presentation on vertical and horizontal prop balance and how to track props immediately following the next club meeting. A five page color handout will be provided to interested participants.

You may have noticed a new lock on the gate. This gold lock belongs to Huntsville Utilities. This lock is to be used as the last link when locking the gate. This allows Huntsville Utilities access without the use of the combination. Please use this lock as pictured when locking the gate on your way out.



Fly well, fly safe,
Bob Templeton
President - RCRC



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The New Multirotor Pavilion:





**Minutes of the May 16th, 2017
RCRC Club Meeting**

Meeting Called to order at 1803

A quorum was present.

Old Business

1. May 2017 newsletter was approved as written.
2. Treasurer report for May 2017:
 - a. Income = \$413.69
 - b. Expenses = \$530.07
 - c. Checking Account = \$3256.79
 - d. Money Market = \$10,703.67Treasurer report was approved as written.
3. Safety Report – No issues/events to report. **PLAY SAFE!**
4. Quad Pavilion: A plan to build a scaled-down version of original proposal was reviewed, and a \$2,000 club budget request was approved at the meeting. This will cover construction of general structure and roofing, and electricity.
5. SWAP meet: 65 people rented Tables, totaling \$220. Total income to the Club was \$358.36.
6. Wade Sims represented the club at the International Drone Day event at the Space and Rocket Center, May 6th, 2017
7. The club needs field and structural repairs to be done. Our field facilities chairman Wade Sims will assess needed work.

New Business

1. Event Proposal: July 8th 2017, Regional Qualifiers, Quad Racing (rain date = July 9th, 2017). John Tubb (CD) is in the process of getting the event sanctioned by AMA. More information to follow.

Meeting adjourned @ 1827
Alan Berard



June 6th 2017, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Old Business:

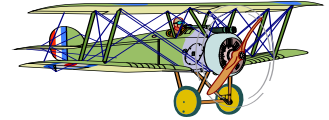
1. Pavilion was completed at a final cost of \$2248.95. Thanks go to all members who helped with construction and to Bob Templeton for organizing this and gathering construction materials.
2. Club day is this weekend (June 10th). An email will be sent to membership reminding all to attend, and to ask for volunteers.

New Business:

1. Repairs to Facility: Board members to contact Wad Sims to discuss current list of needed repairs and improvements. The list will be prioritized.
2. Events: A proposed change to the bylaws was identified regarding timeframe for Proposed Club Events, for the following year. Details to be discussed at the next Club meeting.
3. We have a new “gold” lock on our main gate. This was provided by Huntsville Utilities, for them to gain access to our facility when mowing, etc.,. Refer to “Presidents Message” for details.

Meeting adjourned 1815

Alan Berard



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TO:

<u>2017 RCRC EVENTS</u>		
10 June 2017	Club Day	Al Blair, CD
15 July 2017	Show off Contest	John Pieczynski, CD
12 August 2017	National Model Aviation Day	John Tubb, CD
2-3 September 2017	Pattern Competition	Jon Lowe, CD
18 November 2017	Toys for Tots	Alan Berard, CD

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.