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May 2016

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The 2016 RCRC Swap Meet was a great success! We had a great turn-out with plenty of items changing hands. Thank you to everyone that participated. A special thank you for Alan Berard (CD) for getting everything organized and ensuring all went smooth. Also thank you to Al Blair and Cameron Fears for their help with working the event.

The Club Day fly-in on Saturday May, 21st is quickly approaching. This is a free event. There will be food, fun-fly events, general open field flying and plenty of fun to be had by all. Please make every attempt to come out and enjoy the festivities. Rain day for the event is Sunday May 22nd. Volunteers are desperately needed for Club Day. Please contact Al Blair by phone at (269) 277-0879 or by email at vicepresident@rocketcityrc.com to offer your help.

The next club meeting on Tuesday, May 17th will be your final opportunity to vote on the two proposed bylaw amendments. These proposed changes can be seen below in this newsletter and paper ballots for these changes were mailed to all current voting members on April 7th, 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. 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. Thank you to everyone that has already voted and delivered their completed ballot!

Fly well, fly safe!!
Bob Templeton
President - RCRC



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

Meeting called to order 1800.

A quorum was present.

Old Business

March Meeting Minutes as printed in the April Newsletter: Passed by Vote

Treasurer Report

- Income	=	\$305.00
- Expenses	=	\$739.44
- Money Market	=	\$7689.51
- Checking	=	\$4564.79

April treasurer report was passed by vote.

VP/Safety Report

A member injury was noted involving contact with a propeller during engine warmup

Emphasis on exercising care to avoid propeller contact while running engine

Discussions were held on motor kill switch function on various transmitter types

Safety report was passed by vote.

New Business

Logbook problems again noted. Please respect others and quit marking out other people's notes. If there is a specific problem please bring it to a board member.

Bob Templeton was approached by Tommy Bartek of DiatoneUSA.com about coordinating a Multi-rotor Grand Prix Series. They would like to use our flying field for a Regional Qualifier Event. Bob is working the details and will pass on information to club members as it becomes available.

Discussed the Big Bird/War Bird Event, and agreed to hold it October 2016. John Tubb will be the event CD, and will develop an event schedule.

A reminder to vote on current By-Law changes was noted.

Cameron Fears will attend Camp AMA 12-18 June, 2016. It was noted that there are still funds in the John Ringo Fund, and a proposal to use remaining funds to cover any additional trip expenses was discussed. A motion was made to provide Cameron Fears these additional funds for Camp AMA. The motion passed pending discussion of the proposal (and agreement) with Jon Lowe.

Gene Heatherington donated \$28.00 to RCRC in Memory of (Dick) Richard Dale.



Wade Sims is looking for Technical Advisors for Hazel Green High School STEM Program (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Contact Wadesims2000@gmail.com or 205-130-4846, for additional information.

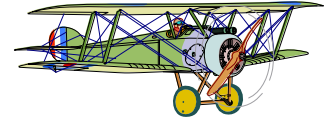
An AMA trailer is available to set-up for flight simulator access during Club events. We need ideas on how/when to use this capability.

Meeting Adjourned at 1840
Alan Berard

Board of Directors Meeting, May 3rd, 2016

- Meeting was called to order at 1800
- Tom Wimsatt was absent, all others present: Bob Templeton, Al Blair, John Tubb, and Alan Berard.
- Final planning for the 2016 RCRC Swap Meet.
- BOD members discussed possibility of using PayPal system to identify where a specific deposit came from.
- National Aviation Day Section is in and approved. Landing Fee is \$5.00 and AMA membership is required in order to fly. Event date is 13 August, 2016.
- BOD is acting as Technical Advisors for Hazel Green High School STEM Program. Worked with Wade Sims to satisfy the program's documentation.
- Trainers @ Swap Meet min. bid \$50.00 and Spades \$20.00.

Ajourned 1830.
Alan Berard



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)

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.

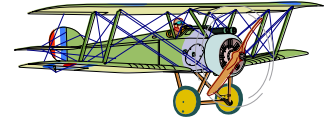
ARTICLE **ELEVEN:** **(AMENDMENT)**

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 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.
- No**



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TO:

2016 RCRC EVENTS

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May 21, 2016	All Day	Club Day	ED: Al Blair	
August 13, 2016	All Day	National 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.