

## M3 Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2013

### ATTENDANCE:

Pete Bergstrom (Pres), Gary Hunt (VP), John Hammond, Paul Doctorian, Jim Wiggin, Ray Loewe, Stan Lemmon, Lee Anderson, Mike Hilderbrandt, Bill Marshall, Mark Fitzgerald, Mike McLaughlin, Jeff Lenhardt, Gary Lenhardt, and Andy Kunz (Sect.).

The meeting was held at the field. Pete called it to order about 7:10 (he was busy accepting new members) and began by reviewing old business.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Everybody introduced themselves since we had several new members in attendance. These members joined on the new regional membership program from several clubs around the area including Champaign, Decatur, and Bloomington. **WELCOME to Gerald Sappenfield, Michael Trautman, Jeff Wells, Jeff Lenhardt, Gary Lenhardt, and Mark Fitzgerald.**
- 2) No Treasurer's report. Pete gave a brief synopsis but noted that it was from memory.
- 3) Minutes from the April meeting were accepted w/o change.
- 4) Andy contacted a local ISP who is putting in service near the field. Cox Communications Ltd made a bid of \$250 installation/electronics plus \$30/month to provide a connection of up to 5Mbps. The monthly rate is discounted based upon our low utilization rates for a webcam for security and to see who's out, and to allow use of the weather station donated by Michael Ramsey last year. Mike H. made a motion to accept the bid, seconded by Bill, and approved by the members. Andy will investigate with Cox regarding turning it off during the winter seasons.
- 5) Pete related the purchase of the new mower. Pete purchased it based upon sales that were going on that would have been expired now. Lee made a motion to reimburse Pete, seconded by Stan, and approved by the membership. The purchase also included a roller which Lee reports as doing a wonderful job. Note that the roller is oversized for our tractor, so to prevent damage to the transmission it is only half-filled with water. Mowing is being handled by Lee and Stan; if you want to mow, please see them first!

NOTE: It is important that the grass be mowed, especially this time of the year when it grows so fast. Please use a little common sense when you want to fly while they are mowing. Talk to each other before taking off, and remember to not overfly the mower.

- 6) 2013 Event Dates (AMA sanctions are in the works):

May 11 – Builders Contest and Swap Meet (sanction received 13-0903). **THIS WEEKEND!**

May 30- June 2 – AeroTow (at Monticello Airport). Pete noted that he will be taking care of food during the event. The Monday prior (Memorial Day) the glider club will be disassembling their planes and could use our help. They will be stored in our hangar for the duration, same as last year.

June 11-12 – Eli Field will be closed. Horizon Hobby is renting the field for these days. Pete will be cooking for this event as well.

July 3 (Wednesday) – Monticello Independence Celebration. Lee will be looking for volunteers to help with the parking.

August 22-25 – Illini SuperJets

TBD – Gary Hunt will attempt to set up an IMAC event. It will need to be late in the season since the summer schedule is already quite full.

TBD – Vintage RC meet?

- 7) Dave Smalley will be unable to work in the Flight Training program this summer. We will need a **coordinator** to manage the paperwork; flight training is not required. Training will begin this Wednesday at 5:30 for AMA members.
- 8) The PC that was donated last month for Phoenix use was inadequate to run the sim. It may find use hosting the weather and webcam instead. Another PC is expected to be donated during the Swap Meet this weekend.
- 9) Mike reported that the runway sealing costs have been reduced by several hundred dollars and will also include re-striping the runway lines. All we need now is good weather.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) The field will be closed June 11-12 as noted in the event schedule above.
- 2) Jim Wiggin mentioned a desire to host a Vintage RC meet late in the year, most likely in September. Details will be forthcoming. The club appreciates members taking on events like this. Right now the idea is that this will be a non-competitive event, a fun fly. This may take the place of the IMAC event. Andy made a motion to pursue this, seconded by Mike, approved by the members.
- 3) Porta potty will be on-site soon.
- 4) The June meeting will be June 3 at the field at 7:00 PM.

#### **ELECTION:**

Pete noted that because of family obligations, he will not be able to provide the same outstanding level of effort he has provided for the past several years. There were no nominations accepted to resolve this. Andy read the nominations and made a motion that we re-elect all to the same offices. It was seconded by Gary and accepted by the membership. Thus, for the next year the officers are:

- a) President: Pete Bergstrom
- b) VP: Gary Hunt
- c) Treasurer: Chris Huhn
- d) Secretary: Andy Kunz

The meeting was adjourned about 8:40.

Andy Kunz, Secretary