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DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY

President's Report

Hi all,

Hope the New Year finds you well and hope that Santa brought you something with wings! As it turns out, News Year's Day may have been the best weather for a Chili Fly we would have had in a number of years, but alas, nowhere for us to fly. I don't know if we are going to be able to figure something out for next year or not; we may have seen the last DRCS Chili Fly. The Iowa City club did offer to have our members come and fly with them, and I know of 2 who made the trip, Dave C. and Cal. It was a good day it sounded like, but they cheat and have a warm club house with TV and the whole shot. Actually, sounds like WE have been doing it wrong!!

Speaking of being well, I am sure that most of you have heard by now, that Nick Ziegler from the Moline club had what sounds like a pretty significant heart attack in mid December. Sounds like it was a pretty scary one. I do not have any new info to pass along, but I know he is home from the hospital and doing OK. (He has been out flying a little, as well as building some.) By all accounts though, he still has a long road ahead of him, so keep he and his family in your thoughts and prayers. It might cheer him up some to see the write up on the Children's Cancer Fly-in that he organized in the current (Jan) issue of Model Aviation. If you want to see it look for the District VI report as the event was held in Illinois.

For those who didn't make it to the last meeting, it was election time again, and you missed a riveting, hard fought election. There were no contested positions, so you all are stuck with the same slate of officers as last time, which means I get to continue to try to think of stuff to put in the newsletter every month. Mike Smith, Floyd Layton, and Jerry Clemens are the Field Relations committee. (thanks Mike for delivering the fruit baskets to our land owners again!) And the Board At Large members stayed the same, Dave J., Dirko, and Chuck Balser. As always if you have any questions or concerns about anything club related, please contact me, or any of the officers at any time. We are always looking for new ideas for things to do to raise awareness of the hobby, and maybe even raise a few bucks. No idea is a bad one so toss 'em on out there and see what happens.

Personally, my biggest challenge is to try to figure out how to get more participation by the membership in general. All clubs, like ours, struggle with this same affliction, and that is that a small minority of the members do a great majority of the work. It would be nice if we had some folks step up and help with the events.

We usually have a good turn out for work parties for projects, which is great, but some help with planning and organizing events and such would also be great. Even some ideas on how to switch things up to keep things fresh would be welcomed. Enough of that.

Our first event of the year will be the Mall Show on 2/18/17. Get your hanger queens dressed up and dusted off, and bring them out to show them off! We would like to have some simulators available for folks to try out as always. There will be one more meeting before the event, so we can nail things down then, but get those projects finished up and plan on hanging out for a bit and talking to some passers-by about our great hobby.

That's about all I got for now. Last reminder to pay your \$30 dues before the Jan 30th deadline to avoid having to pay the initiation fee again. Also pay your AMA dues. Don't forget to put your FAA number on all your new birds before you fly them as well.

See ya at the meeting,
Steve

P.S. The Iowa city swap meet is on 1/29/17--or save your pennies for ours on March 11th !!

Bits & Pieces:

2017 dues are now due. Only 41% have renewed so far. They are now \$30 for renewal until Jan 31. Juniors and the initiation fee are unchanged. If not renewed this month, you will not receive any more newsletters. Either pay me at the meeting, or mail them to me at:

2961 Greenview Drive
Bettendorf, IA 52722

As Steve mentioned above, we need some help with events throughout the coming year. First up, I would like to have someone to coordinate arranging for the simulators at the Mall Show and getting them set-up. I would like to see at least 3.

For those craving indoor flying, the NIFF Festival is this weekend (Jan 7-8) at the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines. (www.dmniff.org) Peoria RC Modelers are also sponsoring indoor flying. (www.peoriarcmodelers.com)

Per our By-Laws, we are supposed to be publishing Meeting Minutes. Last month's minutes are below.

David Colgan
563-940-9385

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 by President Thompson at the Eastern Avenue Branch of the Davenport Public Library.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$4,091.29

The minutes were read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Election – The present officers are willing to repeat unless someone is interested. The current board was reelected by acclamation. Jerry Clemmons was elected to the Field Relations Committee.

Mall Show – The Mall Show will be 18 February. As always flight simulators, lots of models, and talkers are needed.

Swap Meet – The Swap Meet will be 11 March. Help is always appreciated. Set up will be from 8-9 AM, sales run from 9 to 1.

Dave Colgan will talk to Jane at Majors about raffle planes for both events.

Chili Fly – Due to the loss of Kroger Field, there will not be a Chili Fly this year. Iowa City has invited us to attend theirs in their heated clubhouse. If interested, let Dave Colgan know so he can RSVP for us.

NEW BUSINESS

Dues – It's payment time. The dues are now \$30 dollars. After January, you will need to repay the initiation fee. The membership application needs to be updated to reflect the new dues.

Fruit Baskets – Mike Smith will see that Sunny and Seven Cities get their fruit baskets.

Frank Lang – Services for Frank Lang will be Friday. Visitation starts at 11, services at 12.

Program Ideas – We need program ideas and presenters.

Club Trainer – We need to work out how to get the trainer, instructor and plane together at the field.

FAA ID – Remember to put the FAA ID and AMA number on your new aircraft.

CRASH TROPHY

Floyd passed the Crash Trophy to Rodd Schick.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10.

2017 Events:

Jan 7-8	NIFF Indoor Fun Fly	Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, IA
Jan 9	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Jan 29	Iowa City Aerohawks Swap Meet	Iowa City Armory, IA
Jan 31	2017 Dues Due	
Feb 1	Late fee for Dues Starts	
Feb 4	Tri-Village RCers Swap Meet	Wheaton, IL
Feb 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Feb 18	DRCS Mall Show	Northpark Mall, Davenport, IA
Feb 18	Fox Valley Aero Swap Meet	St. Charles, IL
Mar 11	DRCS Swap Meet	St Mark's Lutheran, Davenport, IA
Mar 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Mar 25	MMAFRC Swap Meet	Tampico, IL
Apr 7 – 9	Weak Signals R/C Model Expo	Toledo, OH
Apr 10	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
May 8	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
May 26-28	NASA Scale Meet	Erie Airpark, Erie, IL
Jun 12	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library or Frye Field
Jun 17	DRCS Scale Meet	Frye Field
Jul 9	RC Warbirds and Classic	Peoria RC Modelers Field, Chillicothe, IL
Jul 10	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Aug 5	DRCS Weinie Fly	Frye Field
Aug 14	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Sep 9	Bud Miller Fun Fly	Frye Field
Sep 11	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Sep 16-17	Duel at Davenport IV	Frye Field
Oct 7	DRCS Night Fly	Frye Field
Oct 9	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Nov 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Dec 11	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library

FOR SALE:

At Majors' Art and Hobby Resale Area as of Dec. 8. Contact them at 563-323-9042 for more details:

Junkyard Dog w/ large gas engine
Great Planes Giant Super Sportster w/ ASP FS180
Seagull ZLIN 50 w/ Saito 91
Multiplex Easy Star Glider w/ transmitter
Parkzone Sport Cub BNF
Global Blue Max w/ OS 70FS
Phoenix Models Funstar w/o engine
Great Planes Super Sportster 60 w/o engine
Low wing 40 size plane w/o engine
2 – Parkzone F4F Hellcats w/ 2 spare fuselages
Skybolt 60 size w/o engine
Rascal 110 w/ US 41cc engine
Great Planes ZLIN Akrobat 2/ OS 46AX
Eagle 2 w/ OS 46LA
Sig T'Clips 70 w/ Rimfire 80
Laser 200 52" w/o engine
Fiesta 45 w/ engine
Great Planes Decathalon w/ Saito 80
40 Size 3D Profile w/o engine
GWS Slow Stick w/ Eflite 450
FMS Extra 300 foamy
Parkzone P-47D w/ spare parts NIB
Parkzone Spitfire Mk IX w/ spare parts NIB
Top R/C Hobby FW-190 w/ spare parts NIB
Duraflly P-51 1100mm NIB
Cox Lazy Bee NIB

Here is a partial list that I plan to take to the Iowa City Swap Meet. If you are interested in any, please contact me:

Dynaflite 1/4 Scale Flybaby Kit
Great Planes 40 size Corsair Kit (no plans – looking for a set if you have any)
Great Planes 60 size Super Sportster Kit
O.S. FS-40 Engine (I have 2)
O.S. 25 FP Engine
Magnum XL 25 Engine

Again, we will publish any for sale or trade items if you would just contact me. We will keep this as a running list in future Newsletters.

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**DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY
22nd ANNUAL SWAP MEET
St Mark's Lutheran Church
Saturday, March 11, 2017**

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Table Rent - \$10 Admission \$4

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NEXT MEETING
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6:30 P.M.

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