

February 2008 Minutes

The meeting was open at approximately 7:10

Club Treasure, Rod Stauffer reported an operating balance of \$1,085.00

OLD BUSINESS

Rod Stauffer reported the purchase of a really nice PA system, stating that the system should be more than loud enough.

- **The 2008 Swap Meet** cut off date to secure the August 9th event date is March 15th. Tony Simmons reported that King RC has agreed to donate a really nice item to the club that will be used for the raffle. It was also noted that KC Hobby will also be donating an item to help out as well. After the down payment has been paid and the date secured, Butch Fortin and Ken Blackford will do a "walk-through", taking notes of the actual building and it's amenities. Signs and flyers will still need to be made.
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- It was asked that everyone should do their part helping keep the field clean. A little bit at a time, like each weekend, should be enough effort to keep the field looking good. Signs still need to be made reminding people to take their own trash back out with them. There is a small trash back holder / post which people can grab a trash bag if they need it.
- It was reported that the road gravel (and then some) has been laid down. It was reported that it took twice as much as expected, but, the road looks great. There is still a need for more rock to fully finish the parking area. Donations are welcome.
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- It was also reported that the center shed mulch and timber is now in place and looks great.
- Being the end of February, like every year, the new 2008 lock is now on the gate and keys have been distributed.
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- It was mentioned that the center shed still needs the rear guttering hung in place. Some concerns were brought up about the water run-off and where to direct it. No real conclusion was achieved.

NEW BUSINESS

- It was suggested that the club should design a drainage system to keep water run-off from washing out the newly added center shed mulch. Since the run-off comes from the hill between the Heli Deli and the storage building, it was suggested that a simple, small dirt berm could be added for now to help slow it down. However, concerns was expressed that such a berm should be fairly small and shallow to prevent someone from getting stuck as they try to back up and turn out. It was mentioned that grates could possibly be used over an actual ditch in an attempt to direct water to the left and in the creek.
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- Ken Blackford reported that the field could use about 20 good railroad ties to replace the really bad ones. Ken offered to donate and pay for the ties. Several donations were thrown in Ken's direction to help out.
- It was reminded and stressed that people should use the frequency pin board.
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- Butch Pendergrass offered to host a "float fly" if there would be enough interest. It was suggested that 2009 might be a better time to host such an event due to this years already booked schedule.
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- The topic of club shirts was brought up once again. While basic club shirts have been made in the past, it was determined that the first thing that is needed would be more of the green staff shirts, mainly in the sized XL and XXL. It seems that the club is in immediate need of about 10 each of those sizes. Ken Blackford and Dell Gardner offered to keep checking around and continue to get quotes for these shirts and basic club shirts, in both basic designs and possibly nicer 4-color styles.
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- It was reported by Ken Blackford and Nathan Bartley the incredible time they and Blake Wilson had on Friday the 1st up at Eden, NC after flying indoors at a local church gymnasium. It was mentioned that several locations down near our club are under review to see about securing an indoor location for members to fly in. Kent Rogers had sent an email talking about the WSRC relation with the Dixie Classic Fairgrounds Home and Garden building and the possibility of using that building. Kent also mentioned that the Parks and Recreation would be a good place to start, saying that there have been other cities that have allowed such activity. The interest was huge and it was asked if anyone could think of such a facility that might be a candidate site it would greatly be appreciated. It was agreed if each person had to pay a small fee for that particular evening of flying to the affiliation, this would be fine, and could be used as a selling point to secure the site.

The MODEL OF THE MONTH was won by Dell Gardner. He presented an A6 Intruder ARF that was found overseas and was the first to be sold in the states. This really nice foamy from Kyosho came complete with a 55mm ducted fan with brushless motor, ESC, and servos. The only thing he needed to add was the receiver and battery. This plane is very special to Dell since this is the same plane he worked on and serviced in the service for many of years.

50 / 50 Raffle was won by Nathan Bartley, who netted \$24.00.

New member Terry Marshall was voted in who spoke a brief history on how he got into the hobby and his intentions. Welcome Terry.....we'll sure your have a blast.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:35. p.m.

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