



Flying Eagles Inc.
Newsletter for June 2010

Date: June 12, 2010

Next Meeting: July 1, 2010

Location: The meeting will be held at the Flying Field, 5710 S. Mackinaw Road, or in case of inclement weather, we will meet at the Alice & Jack Wirt Public Library, 500 Center Ave (corner of Madison & Center Ave) Community Meeting Room located in the entranceway of the library. The Flying Eagles Club meetings are open to the general public.

Time: 6:00 p.m.

2010 CLUB OFFICERS ARE:

President: **Tom Dearden**

VP: **John Szelogowski**

Treasurer: **Armond Kowalkoski**

Recording Secretary: **Dave Kasper**

Safety Coordinator: **Dave Kasper**

Newsletter Editor: **Ellen Kasper**

Club Trustees:

Peter Liehr

Rich Herzberger

Randy Hemingway

John Szelogowski

Dave Kasper

Visitors are always welcome to the club meetings and to join us at the club flying field. The flying sight is located at 5710 S. Mackinaw Rd., Bay City, MI.

Anyone interested in flying or in improving his or her skills should contact our club instructors:

Dave Kasper
989-894-4670

Richard Herzberger
989-686-3457

John Szelogowski
989-893-5769

MEETING MINUTES

Tom started the meeting on 6/3/2010 at 6:05pm at the flying field with eight members present. Five visitors, Jerry Herder, Milt Williams, Roger Coones, Rich Brown and Rick Bohlinger attended our meeting. Milt, Roger and Rick paid their dues and were voted in as new members. Additionally, Rich Brown paid his dues and was voted in as a returning member.

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as printed in the May newsletter.

Treasurer's Report – The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1291.05 in the checking account. With the addition of four new members, the total is now \$1451.05

Safety report – Dave discussed the safety article from Model Aviation magazine where Jerry Hahnfield (from the Midland club) was talking about one of the steps that they use to promote a safer experience for their members. Once their engines are started, they make every effort to get behind the prop as quickly as possible. This minimized the effect of putting a hand through the prop to make adjustments, or having the plane lurch forward unexpectedly. This is a procedure that will be adopted at our field as well.

Web report – John wasn't present, however, Tom brought forward a few issues that he found with the web site. These will be given to John and corrected if necessary.

Board report – The report was given by Peter which covered:

- The current grass cutting schedule isn't working as it should. Three out of four members haven't cut the field at their scheduled time, resulting in someone else having to cover for them on Saturday morning.

Everyone please be sure to check the mowing schedule which is posted in the members only section of the web site and at the flying field on the bulletin board. If it is your turn to mow, it's your responsibility as a club member, to perform this duty. If you can't, then you need to contact other club members to coordinate with someone else to get it done.

Here are a few things to remember when mowing:

- Bring fuel. The mower needs to be filled when you're done and ready for the next person. Two gallons will be more than enough.
- Check the engine oil before mowing. It doesn't normally need oil, but if it does there is a bottle in the shed.
- Start mowing from the center of the runway and blow the clippings to the outside. This will keep the runway as clear as possible.
- Be sure to mow the runway, the pits area and the parking area, which extends to the shed.
- The runway should be cut at the lowest setting, while the pits and parking area can be somewhat longer.

Please take the mowing responsibility seriously. The club does not want to get into the position of having to charge members as an incentive.

- Bob Stroope checked into building additional starting tables for the club and reported (to Tom) that they would be about \$80 each. The club voted to not build any more at this time. Randy volunteered to build and donate one.
- More volunteers are still needed for the Father's Day Dawn Patrol at James Clements airport. If you are able and haven't already, please contact Peter.
- Everything with the September Invitational is a go! The success of this event depends on everyone. If you are able to volunteer for this event and haven't already, please contact Tom as duties will be assigned at the next club meeting. As an entrance fee for this event, a \$2 donation per carload was approved.
- Dave and Rich checked into the materials for pilot stations which will be used not only at the field, but will be portable enough to be used at out flying events. Rich brought a prototype to the meeting which will fit the need quite nicely. These were approved so that we will have a total of five at a cost of approximately \$120. A weekend work party will assemble them so that they are ready for use.
- Very few people have volunteered to bring items to the rummage sale. Remember, THIS WAS OUR #1 FUND RAISER last year. If anyone has items to donate, please contact Ellen ASAP. A trailer will be brought to the Father's Day event at James Clements so that things can be dropped off at that time.

Old Business:

- No old business this month.

New Business:

- No new business this month.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm

Upcoming Club Events:

June 20, 2010, Father's Day Dawn Patrol at James Clements Airport

July 3, 2010, Rummage Sale at the field (This event will only be held if we have enough items to sell).

July 10, 2010, Midland Remote Control Modelers, Mid-Michigan Fun Fly.

August 14, 2010, Saginaw Valley R/C Club, Fun Fly, For More Information, call 989-695-4768 or e-mail www.saginawvalley-rc.org/index.html, jdpetersdoc@hotmail.com

September 18, 2010, FEI Invitational

Airplane Contest

May's aircraft was an Israel Aircraft Industries IAI-101 Arava. This aircraft was correctly identified by three contest participants. From the correct answers, the winner was drawn. May's winner was:

Peter Liehr

Congratulations Peter!

Name that Aircraft:



- Airplane Contest Rules:
- Only paid members of the Flying Eagles Inc. Radio Control Club are eligible to win. All entries must be emailed to emkasper@speednetllc.com BEFORE the day before the meeting (before Wednesday). The winner will be drawn from all correct entries that have been received by that date and presented during the regular meeting (need not be present to win, even if you have won previously, you are still eligible to enter every month).

Notes from the Editor:

The rummage sale for the club is coming upon us soon. This event will only be held if we have enough donated items for sale. As of now, I have only been contacted by two club members that have items to donate. As Dave mentioned in his minutes, we will have a trailer at the Father's Day Pancake Breakfast at James Clements to drop off items. If you have no storage space, or big items, contact me and I will arrange to pick up and store the donated items.

If I do not receive an adequate amount of items to sell, I will have no choice but to cancel the sale. This would really be a shame, considering this one event last year gave our club the funds we needed to hold other events.

Although it may seem like the club has enough money at this time, please remember that any fund raiser we put on will only increase our working capital and allow us to do more things for the club.

I'm not sure what is happening this year, but it sure seems like no one wants to get involved with our events. I for one know that other commitments come up and tend to take a lot more of our free time than we seem to have. Please, make the effort to participate in our events.

We have worked so hard to get this far. We really do need everyone to help pitch in.

Until next month,
Ellen Kasper
Newsletter Editor



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