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THE MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, AT RIVERWIND!!!

PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

I would like to congratulate Mike Dorff on his newly acquired position on the ACRC board. Mike will be taking over Kevin Carlson's position as "Safety Officer". On that note, I would like to thank Kevin, from all of us, for a job well done. It can be an ungrateful position, but a very important one. Safety is always of up most importance, and needs to be attended to and respected.

With the assistance of Dale Case from MARCEE, Dale and Dan Thiede photographed and identified all of the donated estate from Jack Overbaugh. Our club will be part of MARCEE electric and sailplane-only swap meet on Saturday January 24th, 2009. With Dale's help and the graciousness of MARCEE, our club will have a table for a silent auction of Jack's estate. There will be an email sent out to the membership shortly with a link to a web page with all the electrics photographed and identified. We will also post a link and info on our website <http://www.anoka-rc.com/> and our forums <http://acrc.forums-free.com/>.

At our last board meeting a decision was made for an unofficial position of an ACRC-at-Large coordinator. With the help of others, Phil Vaughn will be heading up this new "Promotional" position of our club. Phil has volunteered to help promote ACRC and the R/C hobby. Anyone interested in sharing ideas and helping out with events please contact Phil or any board member. Thank you Phil.

Of course Christmas is just around the corner, and maybe a few "hints" like catalogs or sales flyers left laying around opened to a certain page with a R/C item circled will help our better halves come up with an "idea".

Thursday December 18th is our next club meeting. Hopefully we will have some of your winter projects for our show and tell. Our raffle for this month will also have some more items from Jack Overbaugh's estate. Thursday January 1st 2009 will be our annual "Freeze Fly". 10 a.m. sharp. Dress warmly, and hopefully the snow will stay with us so we can put those skis on our planes and have fun. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas! See you at the field.

Erik Castrodale

FLIGHT TRAINING

I was asked by our President to do an inventory of all Training items (buddy box's, planes, cords, training tapes and CDs, etc) and any other related equipment owned by our club. Currently there are items out there that need to be accounted for. I am asking all club members that have any such equipment to bring them to our next club meeting so we can do a complete inventory and assign those needed a serial number and then we can reassign them to the proper individuals who will be using them. If you have any questions feel free to call me (612-868-0419).

Thank You

Director of Training

Jim Taylor

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7 P.M.

26 members present.

Visitors: 2

Board Reports:

* Vice President: Eric Castrodale discussed some ways of promoting the club.

* Training: Jim Taylor advised that 4 new pilots received their certificates this year.

* Events: Andy Noll mentioned that there would not be a Fun Fly due to the inclement weather forecast.

Old Business:

The runway was repaired last month.

Former ACR%C member Jack Overbaugh passed away last month and much of his RC equipment was donated to the club. This included many museum quality airframes. Pictures will be taken and posted on the net. Some of the models will be offered at the MARCEE swap meet.

New business:

There was discussion about allowing large-scale turbine models at the field. The biggest concern was the sound level. The group was agreeable to allowing this as long as the sound level was not excessive and the field was large enough for the models to safely take off & land.

Stan Zdon & Jake Groetsch made a presentation at Boy Scout Troop 167 last month. There will be a Scout Fly next spring

Club Elections were held. Stan Zdon, Jake Groetsch, Dan Thiede and Mike Dorff were elected/re-elected.

There was discussion about how to promote the club. Matt Campson suggested that we invite other clubs to our contests. Also suggested: Advertise in the community paper; Support local fairs; Have a table at the air show at the Anoka airport.

Matt Campson offered to CD the Pattern Contest next year.

Show and Tell:

Al Spearbecker brought in a North Hobbies Pen Knife that he had completed. It is a profile style and weighed in at 2 ½ lbs. An OS .25 powers it. The hatch covers for the servos are held in place by magnets. Al changed the landing gear to shorten it up. The covering job was beautiful and Al reports that it flies great!

Mark Dubay brought in a Hobby Lobby Waco. It is an all foam model with a 39-inch wingspan. The model weighs in at 24 oz. and comes complete with the radio, engine, and charger.

Jim Taylor brought in a Neptune, which is a floatplane. It is powered by a Thunder Tiger 46 and has a wingspan of 61 inches. The weight is 6 lbs. Jim described how he waterproofed the covers and push rod exits.

Raffle:

1st	Jim Zappa	Box of covering
2nd	Phil Vaughn	Robert Stand
3rd	Al Spearbecker	Tower Hobbies Fun 51 kit
4th	Phil Vaughn	Snow Skis
5th	Jeff Flander	CA glue
6th	Steve Ulrich	CA glue
7th	Paul Castrodale	King Kong gift certificate
8th	Tim Karash	Straight edge
9th	Jim Taylor	Razor plane

Ken Dinkel won the bid on the Coroplast trainer. Jake Groetsch won the silent auction for the Triton Charger.

Steve Ulrich



MiG I-270

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

HOLIDAY GREETINGS!!! I hope that you have been good so that Santa will bring you a lot of goodies this year and maybe a few **EXTRA-SPECIAL** treats. If you haven't put in your request yet, just leave a Tower Hobbies catalog lying around with the appropriate pages marked. You still have a few weeks until Christmas. Just remind your significant other that it takes less money to fly large R/C airplanes than it does to support the local tavern.

At the November meeting ACRC selected members for the 2009/2010 board and the Board worked out the positions at the November Board meeting. The board positions for 2009 are as follows:

Erik Castrodale	President
Dan Thiede	Vice-president
Jake Groetsch	Treasurer
Steve Ulrich	Secretary
Mike Dorff	Safety Officer
Andy Noll	Event Coordinator
Stan Zdon	Membership
Jim Taylor	Flight Instruction

There is an application included in this newsletter and if you lose it you will have to pick one up at the meeting or send me a self-addressed stamped envelope. Members who read the newsletter on line can print the application and rules from the ACRC website. Remember, **ALL** current members have to fill out a 2009 application and have their year 2009 AMA verified before they can be issued a 2009 membership card. Dues for 2009 are \$50.00 and if you rejoin after January 31 there is a \$5.00 late fee. Please rejoin as soon as possible after you get your November Servo Chatter and your AMA card for 2009. It is easier to set the budget if the majority of the dues are in by mid-January.

REMEMBER - I need verification of your **2009** dues. Sending a copy of your 2008 card will only delay the processing of your application. Please also include a stamped self-addressed envelope. It's not that the club cannot afford the stamps, but

it makes it easier for me as I do membership for both ACRC and SPMRC. Thanks

ACRC FREEZE FLY - Put skis on your plane and get ready for some winter flying.

MAAC SWAP MEET - The MAAC swap meet will be January 17 at the B-Dale Club located at 2100 North Dale Street. This is 1/2 mile south of Hwy 36 on Dale. Buying or Selling, admission is \$5.00. More info will be published in future newsletters.

TCRC ANNUAL AUCTION - Saturday, February 7, 10:00AM at Cross Point Church, 98th and France in Bloomington. The doors open at 8:00 AM and the auction starts at 9:30. Admission is \$3.00

The next meeting will be at Riverwind on December 18 at 7:00 PM.

Stan Zdon

TIPS & TRICKS

A Couple of Building Hints

How many times have you used the household iron and been jumped on for leaving sticky stuff on it? Have you used iron-on film and had the color pigment stick to the iron and bleed to another section leaving streaks and marks on the second color (red on white, for instance)?

Solution: Heat the iron, put some salt on any sheet of paper and rub the iron over the salt. PRESTO! Iron face back in pristine condition.

—*From the Tingalpa Transmitter in Australia*

When drilling a hole in balsa, the wood has a tendency to splinter out and make a nasty mess where the drill bit exits. Drip a few drops of thin CA around the exit area of the drill bit and let it cure. You can now drill a hole and the wood will hold together much better. It may still splinter out some, but not nearly as much. This method also works great when drilling wing hold-down holes on built-up wings.

—*From the Windy Flyer newsletter, Downers Grove, Illinois*



M. A.A.C. SWAP MEET
SATURDAY JANUARY 17
B-DALE CLUB
2100 NORTH DALE ST
ROSEVILLE, MN
9:00 AM - 1:00PM
\$5.00 ADMISSION
NO TABLE FEES

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*Deadline for the next newsletter is:
 January 1, 2009*

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday – December 18, 2008

- ACRC Club Meeting

Thursday – January 1, 2009

- ACRC Freeze Fly

Saturday – January 17, 2009

- MAAC Swap Meet

Saturday – January 24, 2009

- MARCEE Swap Meet

Saturday – February 7, 2009

- TCRC Auction



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