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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 14th, 2023

The meeting was held in the Grand Ballroom at Dye's Walk.



Several members and guests showed up early to enjoy a tasty dinner before the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chuck Baker at 7:29 pm.

20 members, 1 officer, and 6 guests were in attendance. Doug was recovering from surgery and Adam was out of town. Chuck's wife Linda took minutes and Bob Badger assisted with field updates.

Old Business

Chuck was unable to read the May meeting minutes because he neglected to copy them to his thumb drive! Minutes will be emailed to members and available on the club website. There were obviously no additional questions concerning the minutes and no need to approve them at the meeting.

Chuck read the Treasurer's Report. March income was \$599.41, and expenses were \$592.44. If any member wishes to have a copy of the treasurer's report, please contact Doug. Total current members for 2023 is 33. 2022 ended with 38 members and 2021 ended the year at 52 members. There were no questions concerning the report. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made and seconded. The report was approved as read by a show of hands.



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Hurricane Creek Airpark

Lots of activity and improvements at Hurricane Creek Airpark.

- Gravel relocated on Thu 5/18 by Tom Arnold using his skidsteer (Bobcat)

Tom is Seth Arnold's father. Seth did flight demos for us at the ADA Fly-Ins. Tom was able to scrape some gravel from the thicker area and relocate it to add additional parking nearer to the center of the runway. He wasn't able to scrape as much as we'd hoped because there were large fill rocks/concrete chunks just below the surface. Tom was kind enough to donate his time and equipment to help us with this effort. Thanks Tom!!!





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- Porta potty was delivered on Fri 5/19, located at the SW corner of the gravel



We opted for a handicapped unit to better accommodate all of our current and potential future members.

It was more expensive than a standard unit, but Chip Hurkmans offered to cover \$300 of the extra cost out of his own pocket. Thanks Chip!!!

Personally, I prefer the larger unit.

- Storage Shed (10' x 12') was delivered on Mon 6/12 and placed just north of the porta potty



It was supposed to be delivered between 10am-Noon. I arrived at 10am with a check for the balance and the shed was already there! I called Bob who had been trying to reach me all morning (I was at the gym without my phone).

Bob related that they called him at 8:30 that morning, on their way. When he arrived, they were waiting at the gate. He let them in and showed them where to place it. The company preferred not to deal with a credit card, so they let us mail them a check that same day. Huge thanks to Bob for taking care of this!



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The shed is a metal-sheeted wooden frame. The sides are gray and the trim and roof are green. It is resting on (2) 4x6 runners and is not yet tied down. The delivery guy offered to install anchors at \$40 each, but Bob knew we could get the same for \$8 each from the hardware store. The plan is to persuade the sun shelter installers to drive them in for us.

Bob was impressed with how accurate the interior measurements were, which made it easier for him to install additional 2x4 studs and adjustable shelving.



- And we now also have a windsock at the field (not sure when it went up)



This was put up by Bob. His wife Linda has been making orange windsocks for the club for years.

Charles Cherry donated (3) Hobby King windsocks so she won't have to make any for a while.





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- We have started using the new grass runway to fly from!

The grass will be cut longer so as not to stress it and allow it to continue filling in. We anticipate being able to cut it shorter later this year, towards fall. You will need to avoid the irrigation system (hoses & sprinklers).



Bob thanked the irrigation team – Dean Anderson, Robert Kent, David Griffith and Gary Wild. A group text is used to coordinate which areas need watered. There are (4) quadrants, each covered by (3) sprinklers. You can see the wet circles of the SE quadrant being watered below.





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Bob also wanted to thank Dean Anderson for his tireless efforts on the surrounding area and the temporary runways, which many members were able to use.

Planned future improvements at Hurricane Creek Airpark

- Bob wants to have a work party this Saturday morning to do the following:

Install the railroad ties along the edge of the parking area. Install the safety fence near the west side of the runway. Install the small tables (2-3) from the old field.



- Planning to install 1 or 2 sun shelters just east of the parking area

We discussed the pros and cons of installing one versus two. The shelters are estimated to cost about \$2,200 each. We don't want to deplete the treasury too far as we are not certain of all of our remaining costs. We expect we will need to do additional seeding and fertilizing this fall in addition to everything else.



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A motion was made that we install one shelter now and reevaluate our situation later this year to see if we can really afford another one. Motion was seconded and the vote passed, with no objections.

- Remaining tables and chairs will be moved to the new field once the sun shelter is in place

New Business

Get Well cards were passed around for members to sign for...

- Geoff Wadleigh who is undergoing chemotherapy
- Doug Gifford who is recovering from recent surgery

Update on FRIA status. FAA has started looking at the requests, but AMA doesn't expect them to start approving them until after July 3rd. We don't need to comply with new Remote ID rules until September.

Reports on recent area events:

- EDF Fly-In at IRCM – Chuck shared some photos from the event
- Combined club picnic @ JCRCF – Chuck shared some photos of the event
- Cubs and Floaty Flyers @ IRCM – Rick went, lightly attended, but good event

Following members were voted in:

- James, Evan & Matthew Reisert (landlord & sons)
- Robert Nix (returning member)

Jerry McRoberts talked about the Mt. Auburn Touch-a-Truck event planned for Sat 8/5 and passed around a sign-up sheet. Due to space limitations he asked to limit the wingspan on displayed aircraft to 48" or less.

2023 Dues

As of March 14, 2023, the standard member dues of \$80 plus the \$10 late fee is in effect for renewing members. The fees for this and other membership types can be found on the club website at the following location: <https://www.indyrcsouth.org/membership-dues/>

2023 Officers

The current officers will remain on as interim officers until new volunteers step forward or until the end of 2023.



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Presentation

No presentation this month.

Upcoming Area Events

- AMA National Fun Fly & Member Meeting – Jun 23-25, Muncie
- Fly Anything RC @ IRCM, Sat 7/8, Morristown
- Ticket Fly #2 @ JCRCF, Sun 7/9, Edinburgh

Next Club Meeting

Wednesday, July 12th, 2023, at 7:30pm (Dye's Walk)

Show and Tell

Dave Griffith showed his Cruiser Autogyro he is building from scratch. He is having issues forming the canopy/cowling from plastic and finding a glue that will stick to it. Canopy glue (RC-56) was suggested.





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Rick Taylor showed his T-28 Trojan that he bought for the Common Club events at Morristown. He wasn't happy with the plain yellow, so he painted it in a much more interesting color scheme.



Mike Alexa shared photos from his recent visit to the Mid Atlantic Air Museum in Pennsylvania. There were lots of WWII reenactors, vehicles and several WWII aircraft as well.





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Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm by Chuck.

Raffle Prize:

<https://www.horizonhobby.com/product/habu-ss-super-sport-50mm-edf-jet-bnf-basic-with-safe-select-and-as3x/EFL02350.html>



Dave Duff was the lucky winner of the Habu SS 50mm EDF.