

2/5/07 DEMAFC Monthly Club Meeting Minutes for February Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:47 by President Walter Grasmick

Brent Belnap sent along his jacket and details for ordering same, plus hats. Walter has it all for anyone who is interested.

Treasurer Steve Henderson presented a financial report for the club:

*The audit of the books has been completed by Sandy Wood. Thank you Sandy!

*The books were brought within \$25 of balanced against receipts, and we think we have accounted for and will make the necessary adjustment.

* Our present account balances are:

\$25.66 Savings

\$1659 Checking

\$1320 12 month CD

*Five more members paid their dues at the meeting, bringing our paid members to ten for the year so far. Next month's meeting is our annual membership drive.

John Oakley has left the club and that left us with only 4 board members. Don Brooks was asked if he would fill in as the club safety officer, and he agreed to do it for this year.

Walter is arranging a meeting with the county commissioners and the E-board.

Walter spoke with his attorney, and found out that the tax issue with the INL for the period when we had them as members, using our field, is not an issue because of the small amount of dues we collected from them.

Brent B. sprinkler design presentation was tabled until he is feeling better.

The board has decided to replace the old yellow (used to be) frequency board with something that is lower maintenance, that will serve the new function. We are looking into weather proof boxes that will hold our intro packets and club information sheets. Loran Marler suggested we look into a NEMA 3R electrical enclosure with a hinged cover.

There was discussion on where to put your AMA card if using a Spread Spectrum radio. The radios are "immune" to and from interference, by design, but the board and AMA card display is also used to establish AMA membership, which is required for all field users. Any ideas are welcome.

The subject of field use by non-members was discussed. The subject of a south entrance gate was discussed, and Fred Petersen recalled that the club owns a no-longer-used gate that is presently installed across the old canal road. We could uproot it and re-install it

across the south road. All agree that a gate is the only real way to discourage usage by non-members, and the liability that goes with it.

The E-board suggested that the club rent a PO box. This will allow us to put permanent club contacts on our signs and handouts, and it will make it easier for the board to get important mailings, even if some officers are out of town. Those present agreed by a show of hands, and the board will rent a PO box with two keys. (\$40/yr)

We need a volunteer to update the field signs to include the website and PO box number, once the box has been rented, and the number is known. Contact a board member if you can help.

Walter Reported on news from the Tri Club schedule meeting held the week before. A couple of club event dates:

5/14	DEMAFC Field Cleanup Day
6/19	DEMAFC Open House
7/20 to 7/21	DEMAFC Club Fun Fly
8/31 to 9/3	Tri Club Fun Fly at DEMAFc

Other Tri Club event possibilities: A Tri-Club Float Fly was discussed. Gem Lake has too much traffic, but there are other ponds we could use. It was suggested that we contact Bob Hoff to see if his trout pond might be available. Another pond west of Blackfoot was suggested.

Other Tri Club Fun Fly discussion: A raffle was suggested, and it should be sponsored by the sponsor club. A \$5 “landing fee” for one day of the FF was mentioned. Liability came up and we need to follow up and see what other clubs do to keep from having problems with motor bikes, four wheelers and other possible accidents that would not be covered by AMA insurance. Offer a discount for pre-registration. (Acting Secretary’s note: These events are a bit of a stretch from the low-maintenance history of the DEMAFc! They are A LOT of work, and we need to be sure that we have the will, and the volunteers to pull it off) Next Tri-Club planning meeting: April 11

Show and Tell: Bob Kirchner brought his latest model which was a 3.5 oz foamy with E-flite outrunner 250. It is too fast for the gym because of its 20 inch wingspan.

Loran Marler brought his control line scratch-built Avenger sporting a Roadrunner (CL) wing and an OS .46 UC engine.

Al Tucker showed off his “Firefly” indoor electric heli with glowing red LED “eyes” and twin counter-rotating rotors of perhaps 6” span. Available from InteractiveToys.com.

Submitted,

S.A. Henderson for Russ Crawford.