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Presidents Report

The final outdoor event of the season, the Night Fly was well attended and a great success. The weather that day was near 80 degrees, which is nearly unheard of for this time of year in the Midwest. The mild conditions drew a near record crowd as in the early days of the event. We had six brave pilots and a post fly party around the fire pit. Dirk elected to provide entertainment for the group by hitting the ground up near the creek. His choice of a combat plane kept damage to a minimum. Steve Thompson was kind enough to furnish the portable fire pit and wood so we stayed much later than usual swapping stories and enjoying a few beverages. I also learned that if you leave the windows open on your truck, you're going to be reliving the experience for the next several weeks with the nearly permanent aroma in your vehicle!

That was all back in October, it snowed briefly yesterday. I think that's a pretty solid indication that we are getting to the end of the outdoor flying season. I know there are some diehards who will go out no matter what the weather, but I'm basically a fair weather flyer and judging by the attendees at the field so is most everyone. We'll probably still get a few tolerable flying days yet this year but we're definitely winding down. If you do go out to the field, you'll need to plan a bit more carefully, since the porta potty has been picked up. The frequency board has also been stored for the winter so 72 MHz flyers need to be vigilant about channel conflicts.

I mentioned last month that the likelihood of flying in the dome this season was diminishing. Well Ambrose has now given a pretty final answer and they are sticking to their position of not renting to any outside interest this first season. So since we won't have an indoor venue to distract us, I hope you've got your winter projects planned or even already underway. I've seen at least a couple on our new Facebook page showing some progress so lets see what's going on in your shop. If you haven't started anything it might be time to start making your Christmas list so Santa might bring you something to work on those cold winter nights.

This time of year we are also turning an eye toward planning next seasons events. I've started getting some dates for winter activities. Our Chilly (chili) Fly will happen New Year's day as usual and I'll make an exception to my adversity for flying in the cold. It's always fun to start the year off flying. I know I still have some repairs to finalize on my gutter after my amazing spot landing performance in this years fun fly. You might also be considering what you're going to fly that day. Mike Smith has also nailed down the date for our Swap Meet which will be February 19, 2012 back at the National Guard Hangar. Stay tuned for more details on that. The Iowa City Aerohawks have also set the date for their swap meet which will be January 29, 2010. They have moved to a new location as well, the National Guard Armory located at 4540 N. Melrose, in Iowa City. Email subscribers should have already received the flyer. These are both great opportunities to do some economical hobby shopping or clearing out some space for your new projects.

Finally this month, it is time to start thinking about renewing your membership to both the AMA and DRCS. You should have received your AMA renewal information a month ago. Don't forget to keep this current. This was also a voting year for our district so I hope you made your voice heard and cast your vote in the AMA elections. It's also not too early to get your DRCS dues paid. You'll save yourself and extra \$15.00 dollars if you pay before the end of January. While that may seem like a ways off, you can ease the burden on those of us who keep club records by renewing early. There's always the stragglers which increases the workload if people have to be deleted from the roster only to be added back later. So lets go, where else can you get this much fun for only 20 bux!?

Don't forget the club meeting is at the Davenport Public Library, Eastern Avenue Branch starting at 7:30 pm. We had a little scheduling snafu on our program this month but I will probably throw something together again if I have time.

*See you then,
Phil*

MINUTES OF THE 10 OCTOBER MEETING.

Minutes not taken, Secretary was absent.

MINUTES OF THE 24 OCTOBER 2011 BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by President Phil Vernon at the Davenport Village Inn.

BUSINESS

Hank Pohlman's equipment - Chuck Balser and Frank Lang have given Phil Vernon a list of Hank's equipment to be sold.

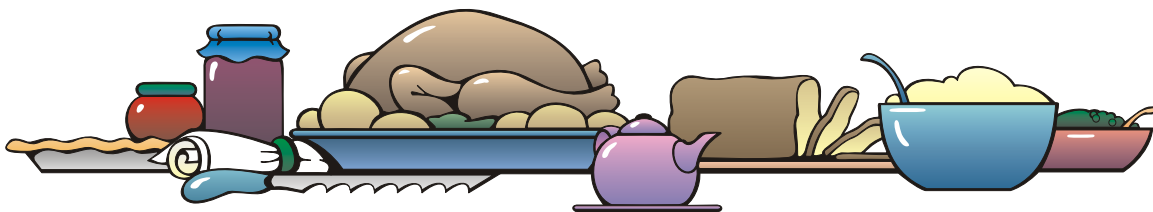
Programs - Steve Thompson has approached Scott Booth about doing a program on fibreglassing at the November meeting.

Club History - Phil got an email from the family of a former member asking if there was any interest in a carved box with the name Jack J. Beranek on it.

Norman Frye Memorial Field - The county has been grading the road, and now there is a lot of dust.

Swap Meet - Mike Smith has a tentative date of 19 February 2012 from the National Guard.

The meeting adjourned at 7:24.



DRCS Memorabilia

All, I recently received an email offering a hand carved box from one of the founding members of DRCS. I don't have any further information other than what is included below. If you might be interested please contact the offeror directly. Here is the complete text of the email:

Hello,

I purchased a wooden box that has Jack J. Beranek's name and the Davenport Radio Control Society Logo carved into it, carved and signed by his wife Alice-1985. All sides of this box are carved with planes and landscape scenery of the quad cities of people flying planes. Did not know if your club would be interested in obtaining this handmade, hand carved item owned by one of your founding members?

Thank You

Ann Martin

anmartin64@mediacombb.net

DRCS Helper List

Individuals needing help with their airplanes are invited to contact the helper of their choice by phone. Otherwise they should arrive at the meeting ahead of schedule or stay on after the meeting to get the advice they need from the helpers available at the meeting.

ENGINES: Installation, running, troubleshooting.

Phil Vernon (563) 386-8205 Davenport

BUILDING: Assistance with choice of model, buying accessories, and actual construction, up to the point where the model is declared ready to fly.

Frank Lang (563) 391-5297 Davenport

INSTALLATION: Assistance with correct/safe installation of engine, tank, radio, pushrods, and setup of throws and controls.

Frank Lang (563) 391-5297 Davenport

Don Brick (563) 332-5771 Bettendorf

CHECK-OUT FLYING: This involves assistance with the first flight. Pre-flight checks, performing of a complete inspection and assistance with post flight changes needed.

Phil Vernon (563) 386-8205 Davenport

FLYING INSTRUCTION: This is the traditional teacher/coaching program of training a novice to fly solo.

Matt Gorzney (563) 650-3695 Grand Mound

Jeff Moler (563) 445-0206 Davenport

Phil Vernon (563) 386-8205 Davenport

Dave Jensen (563) 333-3333 Davenport

Items for Sale

The items listed below are from Hank Pohlman's equipment and are for sale at bargain prices. Rather than list prices we are accepting any "reasonable" offer for the equipment. These items have been turned over to the club to disperse to our membership or anyone who can make use of them. Proceeds will go to DRCS. I believe Chuck Balsler has possession of them so please contact him directly if you are interested. 563 391-1388.

Hobbico - Torqmaster 12v starter

Tower Hobbies - Expanded Scale Voltmeter

Airtronics FM Receiver Ch 57

Airtronics Transmitters Ch 50 & 57

Propellers 2-10x 6, 1-10x7

EMS - Ball Bearing Servos

Sealing Iron

Field box w/Fuel Pump & Accu Glo Panel

Hobbico - Accu Cycle

2 - Hand Held fuel pumps

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Next meeting
Monday- Nov 14th
7:30 p.m.

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6000 Eastern Ave



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