



Meeting minutes

Date: 1/11/16

Location: The Bar

Time called to order and by whom: at 601p by President Miller

of members in attendance: 24 with 2 guests-welcome Scott and Andy

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 32 paid members for 2016. If you are signed up and have not received your card, please see Heath

Quarry field report:

No updates due to the weather

Sod farm report:

Closed for the season

Old Business:

Show and auction update: currently obtaining requests for donations from several vendors. A volunteer list will be shared at the Feb meeting.

Updated 2016 event dates:

- Frozen finger fun fly: Jan 1st
- Show and Auction: March 6th
- Brendan Old Time Days: July 23th (updated)
- Summer Fun Fly: July 24th

Frozen finger fun fly: seemed to be a success with over 30 members in attendance

New Business:

FAA registration: email was sent out from the AMA in which they recommended that, if you haven't already done so, you should register with the FAA. Free registration ends on 1/19/16 and all aircraft needs to be registered by 2/19/16. The correct FAA website is: www.faa.gov be sure to watch for possible scam sites

Helicopter Fun Fly: will be scheduled for Aug 27th and 28th. More information in the event will be shared as the event is finalized

Motion made and 2nded for Tim Stadler to submit the information for both fun fly's to the AMA for publication in their magazine. TR Miller will be the Contest Director (CD) for the summer fun fly with Tim apprenticing the event.

With the flight season coming up, please let a club officer know if you are a trainer. We are also looking at having a designated training night. It was decided that Monday at 430p will be our designated training night and time. Tues will be our designed specialty (i.e. combat, pylon, etc.) flying to be followed by night flying

Please don't drop unneeded items, items that you don't want or wish to donate to the club at the clubhouse without letting a club officer knowing

As required, if you are flying within 5 miles of an airport, you need to contact the air traffic control tower to let them know you are flying. The AMA has provided guidance for clubs to put the airport on notice of our intent to fly every day. This means you will not have to put the airport on notice each time you fly. This letter has been drafted and will be sent to the airport.

Reminders and upcoming events:

The front gate code has been updated to the new combination on your 2016 membership card

Adjournment: made and approved at 639p

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Secretary Valley Aero Modelers

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Meeting minutes

Date: 2/8/16

Location: The Bar

Time called to order and by whom: at 603p by President Miller with all officers present

of members in attendance: 21 members in attendance

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 35 paid members for 2016.

Quarry field report:

No updates due to the weather, however it is in good shape for flying with several members using the field on a regular basis. Motion made and approved to pay John Robertson \$40 to plow the driveway for the rest of the season

Sod farm report:

Closed for the season

Old Business:

Show and auction update: prizes are coming in from several vendors with over \$1700 in donations received so far. Sign-up sheet for the different activities and times will be posted on the website. Email and posting to RC Forums will be sent out once the sign-up sheet is created and posted

New Business:

Discussed FAA registration being required to fly at any club field. No action will be taken at this time as it will be each pilots responsibility to ensure they are registered with the FAA. We will revisit this in the fall to see where things are with the AMA and/or FAA. If you are a trainer and flying the club trainer, place your card in the battery compartment

Letter was submitted to Appleton Airport to advise them of our flying habits per AMA recommendation. Airport sent a return request for additional information. Based on the discussions, a response to their additional information will be sent. In addition, a posting will be placed in the pin box at the Sod Farm to advise all pilots that all aircraft will need to be flown under 400 feet as the Sod Farm is within controlled air space

Discussion was held on reimbursement of kerosene during the winter months with only a few members using it on a regular basis. Motion made, 2nd and approved to spend up to \$100 this year, plus purchase of the can, on kerosene over the winter months and once it is out no more will be reimbursed; this does not include club sponsored events and will be included in budget discussion in Nov

For those that did not hear, Bob Hueslbeck and Fran LeClerq recently passed away

Online registration demo: the club website now has an online registration process in which you can register and pay for your membership by cash, check or paypal. If you pay by cash or check, you will receive a \$2 discount as paypal charges the club to use it. To pay by cash or check, see or send it to Heath

Calendar of events for the year has been updated on the club website. If you have an event you need published, let a club officer know

Discussion was held on memorial funds for those that have passed. Decided that it would be at officer's discretion to spend up to \$50 in the event of a members passing

Things that Go event sponsored by Kings' Daughter will be held on May 21st. We have been asked to return this year. Consensus was that we would attend. Heath will notify Kings Daughter that we will be attendance

Reminders and upcoming events:

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Adjournment: made and 2nd to adjourn at 709p

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Meeting minutes

Date: 3/14/16

Location: The Bar

Time called to order and by whom: called to order at 6p by President Miller with all officers in attendance

of members in attendance: 25 members in attendance

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 48 paid members for 2016

Quarry field report:

Soggy at this time, however there was some field damage due to driving on the grass

Sod farm report:

Closed

Old Business:

Show and auction update: recap of show and auction was provided. There were 331 people that attended the show and auction. Thank you to everyone that participated and assisted with the show and auction.

Things that Go event sponsored by Kings' Daughter: We have advised the committee that we will be in attendance. Recommendation made to request that we set up closer to the pavilion so we can have power to run flight simulations

Response letter to ATW about flying at Sod Farm: a response has not been sent to ATW at this time, following our last meeting and subsequent forum discussions. Heath requested that someone become a point of contact and/or a Sod Farm committee be created to manage the situation. Scott Zastapol provided information in regards to his research on the situation along with a suggested letter that could be provided to ATW. Scott also offered to become the contact point person on behalf of the Sod Farm-approved. Motion was made and approved to submit the amended response letter that was read and provided at AMA direction.

Clarify / re-vote on 400ft club rule at Sod Farm: motion made and approved to update the posting to be placed in the pin box at Sod Farm to post the FAA guidelines

Helicopter Fun Fly updates (currently scheduled for Aug 27th and 28th): paperwork to have the event sanctioned will be submitted in the near future.

Paperwork to have the fun fly sanctioned has been submitted. Matt Cramer has been approved to be a contest director

New Business:

2017 Show and Auction: will be scheduled on March 5, 2017. Door open recommendation made to open at 8a and that paid vendors will be notified separately of the time they will be allowed to set up. Show of hands approved doors opening at 730 and no entry will be allowed prior to that time.

If you purchase venom batteries from them direct, use the coupon code "club15" for a 15% discount

Kaukauna has a new library that just opened. Bob will be donating his AMA magazines to the library on behalf of VAM

Clubhouse improvements (gutters, concrete cutting, weed/feed, fertilizer and field rolling): tabled from Dec. TR will obtain quotes will be obtained and re-discussed in April. Spring clean-up along with Spring Flight Academy will be scheduled in April

Reminders and upcoming events:

Be sure to check out the upcoming events on the club website located at flyvam.club

Adjournment: motion made and approved to adjourn at 703p

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Meeting minutes

Date: 4/11/16

Location: The Bar

Time called to order and by whom: called to order at 602p by President Miller. VP Zangl was not in attendance; all other officers were in attendance

of members in attendance: 14 members in attendance

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 55 paid members for 2016

Quarry field report:

Soggy and wet at this time

Sod farm report:

Closed

Old Business:

Response letter to ATW about flying at Sod Farm: Scott was not present to provide an update on the response letter

Helicopter Fun Fly updates (currently scheduled for Aug 27th and 28th):

Clubhouse improvements (gutters, concrete cutting, weed/feed, fertilizer and field rolling): tabled from Dec. Quote was obtained in the amount of \$45 to fertilizer, plus the cost of a spreader at \$45 for 24 hours to do 2.5 acres. Motion made to approve \$150 to fertilizer to spray both fields, and possibly the 3rd field-approved.

King's Daughter update: no real updates at this time. Event is scheduled for May 21st from 10a-2p. Generator will be used for the event and not available at the field at this time

New Business:

Civil Air Patrol has requested the club assistance with their Flight Academy at the Fond Du Lac flying field from June 16-18th. If you are interested in assisting, please see Jay

Spring Clean-up day: will be from 8-noon on May 14th. Please plan on attending to help get field cleaned up and ready for the flying field

Spring flight academy: will be from 12-3p on May 14th. All new members are encouraged to show up at this time for flight instruction and to learn more about field operations

EAA Chapter 41: has requested to come to our field to learn more about rc flying, combat, pylon and night flying. They have even offered to provide food that night. Schedule of activities will be finalized as we get closer to the event. This will be scheduled for June 21st, Todd will be contact person for this event

Port-o-potty at sod farm: port-o-potty moved to be moved 1st week of May. Motion made and approved to pay for the port-o-potty fees for this year. Someone that typically flies at the Sod Farm will need to be at Sod Farm that weekend to oversee the placement and anchoring of the port-o-potty. Please contact Heath if you are available

Discussion was held on possibly purchasing a standup cabinet from Galaxy Science and Hobby to place memorabilia. Motion made and 2nd for TR to negotiate and spend up to \$300 on upright cabinet, with opposition. Motion was amended to spend up to \$150, motion was 2nd motion passed at \$150.

Reminders and upcoming events:

Mondays at 430p will be our designated training night and time starting 5/16. Tues will be our designed specialty (i.e. combat, pylon, etc.) flying to be followed by night flying starting 5/17

Be sure to check out the upcoming events on the club website located at flyvam.club

Adjournment: motion made and approved to adjourn at 654p

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Date: 05/09/16

Location: The Bar

Time called to order and by whom: at 605p by President Zangl with all officers in attendance

of members in attendance: 16 members in attendance

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 67 paid members for 2016

Mickey was appointed to maintain the snacks and drinks as needed. Chris will maintain keeping the coolers iced during the summer. If you are able to assist him with that, please let him know

Quarry field report:

Field will be fertilized on Thur 5/12, time is unknown. Field will be closed while fertilizer is being completed. Do not bring your dogs to run on the field for at least 2 days following fertilizer operations this week

Sod farm report:

Open and flyable. Port-o-potty has been placed

Old Business:

Response letter to ATW about flying at Sod Farm: Email update from Scott:

I have been in contact with the Appleton Airport. Here is the summary of our communications to date:

- Sent response letter explaining our sod farm activities as recommended by the AMA. (attached)
- Response from Scott V (with Tower Chief CC'ed) asking about location of the sod farm and height of our "operations"
- I responded with GPS coordinates and commented on height of model flight. I offered to arrange a model demonstration.

(NOTE: Which included the following info as part the email chain:

Our club field that we have been flying from for the past 20+ years is located at the Anderson Sod Farm. (44.242566,-88.5939815)

We don't typically fly our model airplanes too high, but when flying gliders a thermal flight can be higher on occasion. It's difficult to estimate height, but our models are flown within our eyesight.

- Scott V is open to a visit.

I will coordinate the Scott to setup a sailplane demonstration at the sod farm. I will fly a DLG and ask someone to accompany me with an ALES 3-4 meter sized electric sailplane launch.

Helicopter Fun Fly updates (currently scheduled for Aug 27th and 28th): No updates at this time

Clubhouse improvements (gutters, concrete cutting, weed/feed, fertilizer and field rolling): field has been rolled, fertilizer is being planned. Gutters will be placed during field clean-up day

King's Daughter update: no real updates at this time. Event is scheduled for May 21st from 10a-2p. This is a non-flying event. No other updates at this time. Generator will be used for the event and not available at the field at this time

Update on standup cabinet from Galaxy: TR submitted a cabinet request form with Galaxy, they offered to sell it to us for \$300; however as a courtesy they were willing to set it to the club for \$200. They took our offer under consideration. As they received full asking price on the cabinet, they sold it to that party

EAA Chapter 41: has requested to come to our field to learn more about rc flying, combat, pylon and night flying. Assistance will be needed to cook the food and provide guest services. Please contact Todd if you are able to assist. Schedule of activities will be finalized as we get closer to the event. This will be scheduled for June 21st; rain date to be the 3rd Tue in July. Todd will be contact person for this event

New Business:

Oil needs to be changed in the mowers and generator. If you are able take care of this, send an email to flyvam670@gmail.com

Lodi club is having a fun fly and swap meet on Sun May 15th. See Chris if you are interested in going or want more information

FVP flying: a flight line will be placed on the heli field to mark off a flying area so that someone does not accidentally enter the flight line area while someone is flying. These markers will be left out for the flying season

Thank you to Travis for donating the sign that provides lock instructions on the front gate.

Starlight club in Kaukauna is holding an event this Sat, May 14th, to support Suicide prevention for returning veterans. The event includes music and food and is free to attend

Reminders and upcoming events:

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Spring Clean-up day: will be from 8-noon on May 14th. Please plan on attending to help get field cleaned up and ready for the flying field

Spring flight academy: will follow spring clean-up day from 12-3p on May 14th. All new members are encouraged to show up at this time for flight instruction and to learn more about field operations

June, July and August meetings will be held at Quarry Field at 6p

Be sure to check out the upcoming events on the club website located at flyvam.club

Adjournment: Motion made and approved to adjourn at 644p

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Date: 6/13/16

Location: Quarry Field

Time called to order and by whom: at 605p President Miller with VP Zangl excused, all other officers in attendance

of members in attendance: 14 members and 1 guest (lowest attendance for the year) in attendance

Secretary's report:

Motion made and approved to waive reading of the meeting notes to spend time flying

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 72 paid members for 2016

Quarry field report:

Spotty in spots due to the rain, but overall looking and in great shape

Sod farm report:

Other than wet in spots, in great shape

Old Business:

Response letter to ATW about flying at Sod Farm: no updates from Scott

Helicopter Fun Fly updates (currently scheduled for Aug 27th and 28th): No updates from Matt at this time

Fun Fly in July: flyers have been printed. Fun Fly is July 24th. Volunteer sign-up sheet will be posted on the website and sent to the membership. In addition to spreading the word about the event, please consider volunteering for an activity during the fun fly

Clubhouse improvements (gutters, concrete cutting, ~~weed/food, fertilizer and field rolling~~): 3 more sections of gutter are needed to complete the project

EAA Chapter 41 joint meeting: Will be next week, Tue June 21st. They are interested in watching combat, pylon racing as well as get more information about RC flying. The club trainer will be available for instructors to work with anyone interested in flying the club trainer. If you are available to help instruction, please let an officer know. Food will be provided by the EAA chapter for those that attend

Brennand Airport days is scheduled for Sat July 23rd. We will have a static display and an hour of flying demonstrations

Mowers maintenance: both mowers have had the oil changed and blades sharpened

New Business:

Ruts in the infield have been smoothed out slightly but are still present. David Gagnon offered to deliver black dirt to help fill in the ruts. Thanks David!

Grill update: the 2 grills that are onsite will be disposed of as they are not working and a new grill has been purchased. If you are going to the dump and can take them, please let an officer know as we'd like to have them disposed of as soon as possible

Planes in the clubhouse: other than club planes, storage of personal planes or items will no longer be permitted due to the liability. If you currently have a plane stored in the clubhouse, please remove them within the week (by June 20th)

Flight Instruction: if you want or need flight instruction, please post a note in forums to let an instructor know so that we can ensure that someone is present. Suggestion was made to make a push on flight instruction to the general public. This was determined to not be feasible due to lack of club participation, both in volunteers and equipment, in supporting of flight instruction in general.

Member participation: President Miller expressed his thoughts on the lack of member participation at events. Examples: Spring clean-up day at 3 people and Things that Go had 6 show up. Discussion was held on how to increase participation at events that the club is involved. Determined that for future events, when they are presented to the club, if you are not interested in participating please say so so that we can determine interest earlier to help us decide if we should participate or not. President Miller would like to see more participation at events by members to help build our club and exposure to the general public

Motion made and approved to spend \$81 for a new grill

Unmanned aircraft update: there are currently 2 bills pending Congress, 1 in the Senate and 1 in the House, with different rules and regulations. Bob Johnson will post more information in the forums as this develops.

Discussion was held on possibly getting another or bigger generator to support club needs at the field. This will be postponed until a later time after the fun fly for further discussion

Reminders and upcoming events:

Mondays at 430p will be our designated training night and time starting 5/16. Tues will be our designed specialty (i.e. combat, pylon, etc.) flying to be followed by night flying

Fond Du Lac has a Fun Fly this weekend. Calumet Flyers has a Fun Fly on Father's Day

July and August meetings will be held at Quarry Field at 6p. Food will be available at each of the July and August meetings (as it is on Tue nights as well) at \$5 per person

Be sure to check out the upcoming events on the club website located at flyvam.club

Adjournment: made and approved to adjourn and to go fly made at 647p

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Date: 07/11/16

Location: Quarry Field

Time called to order and by whom: at 603p by President Miller with 3 officers present, VP Zangl absent and unexcused

of members in attendance: 20 members in attendance

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 79 paid members for 2016

Quarry field report:

In good shape and looking great

Sod farm report:

No updates

Old Business:

Response letter to ATW about flying at Sod Farm: No updates from Scott. President Miller will follow up directly with Scott for a status

Helicopter Fun Fly updates (currently scheduled for Aug 27th and 28th): No updates at this time. Anticipate that food will be catered for the event

Fun Fly in July: flyers have been printed and are available at the clubhouse if you want to post some. Flyers have been shared with HobbyTown GB. Fun Fly is July 24th. Set up will be on Sat July 23rd at 430p. Volunteer sign-up sheet will be posted on the website and sent to the membership. In addition to spreading the word about the event, please consider volunteering for an activity during the fun fly

Clubhouse improvements (gutters, concrete cutting, ~~weed/feed, fertilizer and field rolling~~): 3 more sections of gutter are needed to complete the project-still on hold

EAA Chapter 41 joint meeting: no updates, however the event seemed to be a success and the chapter has indicated they have an interest in returning next year

Brennand Airport days is scheduled for Sat July 23rd. We will have a static display and an hour of flying demonstrations. Event is from 9-4 and setup can be done in Todd Fischer's hanger before 9a.

New Business:

Flight Instruction: if you want or need flight instruction, please post a note in forums to let an instructor know so that we can ensure that someone is present.

Reminders and upcoming events:

Mondays at 430p will be our designated training night and time starting 5/16. Tues will be our designed specialty (i.e. combat, pylon, etc.) flying to be followed by night flying

August meeting will be held at Quarry Field at 6p. Food will be available as it is on Tue nights as well) at \$5 per person

Be sure to check out the upcoming events on the club website located at flyvam.club

Adjournment: motion made and approved to adjourn at 626p

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Location: The Bar

Time called to order and by whom: at 602p by President Miller with all officers in attendance

of members in attendance: 16 members in attendance

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 82 paid members for 2016

Quarry field report:

In good shape and looking great

Sod farm report:

Excellent condition. No flying allowed when there is frost on the ground

Old Business:

Clubhouse improvements: gutters have been installed and gravel placed on road to fill in potholes. Landscaping quote was received in the amount of \$1800 to have the 2nd runway smoothed out. No action taken based on the cost. Will revisit in the spring to review for options to roll the field. John Robertson graded the entire driveway, thanks for doing this John!

New Business:

Plowing for the winter: TR will talk to John about plowing options over the winter, however don't count on road being plowed on a regular basis

Nominations for VAM officer positions are open, elections for officer will be held at the November meeting. To be considered for officer position a member must be nominated and then accept the nomination. If you would like to nominate yourself for an officer position please email flyvam670@gmail.com. Nominations so far:

President: Tim Miller – nominated and accepted

Vice President: Steve Kaiser-nominated and accepted

Treasure: Heath Bartel – nominated and accepted

Secretary: Mickey Prock- nominated and accepted

Motion made and approved to elect all nominated officers

Budget items:

Quarry Field:
Lease: \$400
Insurance: \$550
Facility Maintenance: \$350
Gas/Propane: \$500
Packerland Portables: \$560

Sod Farm:
Lease: \$400
Packerland Portables: \$320

Snacks and soda: \$500

Motion made and approved to approve all above line items

Show and Auction: (March 5, 2017)

Raffle Prizes: \$600

Hall Rental: \$450

Show Supplies: \$100

Total: 1150

Motion made and approved to approve show and auction line items

Motion made and approved to pay up to \$50 for kerosene

Motion made and approved to pay \$135 to repair current apprentice and for a new apprentice

Holiday party in Dec: Meeting will be at the Bar for Holiday party. Motion made and approved to spend up to \$200. In addition, there will be a \$5 per person charge for dinner. Pizza and soda only will be provided. Donation bucket will be set up, please bring a snack to share as well

Dues discussion: discussion held on options. Motion made and approved to maintain dues at \$40. Members in attendance also recommended making donations to help improve the club

Bill Torow award for excellence was presented to Travis Stone and Heath Bartel for their contributions to the club over the past year.

Robert Rae Service award was presented to Steve Kaiser for his service to the club over the past year

Reminders and upcoming events:

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Adjournment: motion made and approved to adjourn at 707p

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Meeting minutes

Date: 12/12/16

Location: The Bar

Time called to order and by whom: at 601p by President Miller

of members in attendance: 18 members in attendance with all officers in present

Secretary's report:

Read and approved

Treasurer's report:

Read and approved- we are currently at 82 paid members for 2016 and 3 for 2017 already. 2017 dues and membership can be renewed online on the club website

Quarry field report:

Open and snow covered

Sod farm report:

Closed for the season

Old Business:

Plowing for the winter: John will plow as he has availability over the winter. It will be plowed (if needed) for the frozen finger fly on Jan 1st by someone.

Show and Auction updates: no real updates at this time. We are receiving some raffle prizes from vendors. See Tim Stadler if you are interested or willing to help with soliciting for donations

New Business:

Frozen finger fun fly: will be held January 1st from 10a-2p. We hope to see many of you out there. Bring your own food if you want to grill out, grill will be available if you want to grill out

Reminders and upcoming events:

Green Bay Swap meeting on Jan 29th

VAM swap meeting is March 5th

Be sure to check out the upcoming events on the club website located at flyvam.club for other upcoming events

Adjournment: motion made and approved to adjourn at 615p to socialize

Submitted by
Mickey Prock
Secretary Valley Aero Modelers

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