

Date: 01/08/2024
Location: Abby Bank Basement, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom:6:01 PM
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:16
Secretary's report – Tim Stadler - Read and approved.
Treasurer's and report - Heath Bartel - Read and approved.
Membership Count 2024: _33
Old Business:
Membership renewal – Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM and AMA membership as well as current FAA registration. On January 1 st , gate combo was changed.
Quarry field report: Scott Fable to help with plowing. Gate combo was changed. Methane detection meter mounted in clubhouse.
Frozen Finger Fun Fly – Approximately 20 to 25 people in attendance.
VAM Branded Clothing Items – Order submitted, waiting on items.
Appointees – Steve Kiser appointed as Field Marshal, Andy Gallman as Safety Officer.

VAM Swap Meet – Motion approved for \$100 for misc expenses and \$600 for raffle prizes. Date set for Sunday, April 7th, 2024 at Maloney's Pub in Kaukauna. Raffle prize collection in progress. Matt to check with BK Hobbies. Travis put up posters at HT GB and Oshkosh.

Bat Box for Lipo Charging at Quarry Field – Sam requested for club to consider purchase of bat box. There was suggest of Baker bag. Tabled until spring.

Gate Lock – Discussion of creating new video for membership to watch to show gate lock and other key information. Tabled until spring.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Jan 28 – RC Auction and Swap, West Bend, WI.

Jan 14, 21 - Indoor flying Carl Traeger Middle School Gym 10am to 3pm (\$5)

Feb 4 - GBMAC Swap Meet, Denmark, WI

Feb 9 -> 11 - EAA Winter Flight Fest

Feb 11, 18, 25 - Indoor flying Carl Traeger Middle School Gym 10am to 3pm (\$5)

Feb 12 – VAM Club Meeting – Abby Bank basement 6pm

Mar 11 - VAM Club Meeting - Abby Bank basement 6pm

Apr 7 (Sunday) – VAM 38th Annual Swap Meet

May 17->19 - Armed Forces Day, Wausau, WI

Jun 13-15 – VAM Fun Fly (Plan your vacations now)

Jun 21-22 – Wings over Wausau

Jul 21 – Oshkosh club Fun Fly and Tailgate Swap Meet (Tentative)

Adjournment:	
Motion made and approved to adjourn at:	6:25 PM

Date: 03/11/2024



Meeting Minutes

Dato : 00/11/2021
Location: Abby Bank Basement, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom:6pm TR Miller
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:15
Secretary's report – Tim Stadler
Treasurer's and report – Heath Bartel
Membership Count 2024:55

Old Business:

Membership renewal – Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM and AMA membership as well as current FAA registration. On January 1st, gate combo was changed.

Quarry field report: Field reported in good shape.

VAM Branded Clothing Items – Items arrived. Distribution follows club meeting.

VAM Swap Meet – Motion approved for \$100 for misc expenses and \$600 for raffle prizes. Date set for Sunday, April 7th, 2024 at Maloney's Pub in Kaukauna. Raffle prize collection in progress. Matt to check with BK Hobbies. Travis put up posters at HT GB and Oshkosh. We found out we cannot setup day prior so we will have to setup morning of the show. We will need quite a number of volunteers that morning.

Bat Box for Lipo Charging at Quarry Field – Sam requested for club to consider purchase of bat box. There was suggest of Baker bag. Tabled until spring.

Gate Lock – Discussion of creating new video for membership to watch to show gate lock and other key information. Tabled until spring.

New Business:

Next meeting to be held at Quarry Field. This was final meeting for winter at Abby Bank.

Combat season starts May 5th Training season may start as early as May 7th.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Apr 7 (Sunday) – VAM 38th Annual Swap Meet May 17->19 – Armed Forces Day, Wausau, WI Jun 13-15 – VAM Fun Fly (Plan your vacations now) Jun 21-22 – Wings over Wausau Jul 21 – Oshkosh club Fun Fly and Tailgate Swap Meet (Tentative)

Show and Tell:

Heath showed our new club Japanese fishing pole used to get planes out of trees. Don's plane was removed from tree and Don picked it up. The Warning problems plane is also down. We need to get in contact with them to pick up from clubhouse.

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Adjournment: Motion made and approved to adjourn at:6:14pm



Date: 04/8/2024
Location: VAM Quarry Field, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom: _6pm TR Miller
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:17
Secretary's report - Tim Stadler read and approved
Treasurer's and report – Heath Bartel read and approved
Membership Count 2024:63

Old Business:

Membership renewal – Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM and AMA membership as well as current FAA registration. On January 1st, gate combo was changed.

Quarry field report: Plow pushed plenty of gravel off road. We need to get it back on the road. Marty made motion for \$200 budget to rent equipment and majority approved.

VAM Swap Meet – Reviewed results from the show along with comparisons from prior years. Might want to compress event next year to have auction at 10am.

Bat Box for Lipo Charging at Quarry Field – Sam requested for club to consider purchase of bat box. There was suggest of Baker bag. Tabled until spring.

Gate Lock – Discussion of creating new video for membership to watch to show gate lock and other key information. Tabled until spring.

TR mentioned that our porta-potty roof is cracked, bug nests in there, need for upgrades to have urinal, etc. Heath to reach out to Packerland Portables to get some pricing options for retrofit or replacement. Other members may reach out to other vendors as well.

Training season may start as early as May 9th weather permitting.

Combat test and tune night will be April 30th. Combat season starts May 7th

Heath to hold combat build sessions on April 16th and 23rd starting at 5:30 pm at Quarry Field.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

May 17->19 – Armed Forces Day, Wausau, WI Jun 13-15 – VAM Fun Fly (Plan your vacations now) Jun 21-22 – Wings over Wausau Jul 21 – Oshkosh club Fun Fly and Tailgate Swap Meet (Tentative)

Show and Tell:

The new Japanese fish pole was on display and after meeting it was extended to show length, mounting, etc.

Adjournment: Motion made and approved to adjourn at: ____6:40 PM_____

Date: 05/13/2024



Meeting Minutes

Dato: 00/10/2021
Location: VAM Quarry Field, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom:6pm TR Miller
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:19_
Secretary's report - Tim Stadler
Treasurer's and report – Heath Bartel
Membership Count 2024: _68

Old Business:

Membership renewal – Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM, AMA, FAA#, and STRUST certificate.

Appleton Assessment – Heath informed club of rough estimate of new annual property tax bill due at end of year that should estimate between \$375 and \$450 which nearly equals the old real estate fee club was paying.

Club Insurance – Because of assessed value higher than anticipated, Heath to review insurance needs during July renewal.

Quarry field report: There was a new \$200 budget approved for Mike and Steve to work with Scott to see if we can get new blades at discount for the tractor. Thanks to Travis for donating paddle tool to push rock back on road after winter snowplowing. Thanks to Tim Bergstrom for rolling the field. Tim may roll again if weather conditions support doing so.

Porta Potty Upgrade Project: Scott Fabel to work on this to see what he could do to possibly replace unit with a normal unit that has both urinal and seat and if needed we can add a soap dispenser. Heath reported with ADA requirements, we may not get handicap unit with urinal. Club would prefer standard unit with all the features vs the limited feature handicap unit. Heath found our current vendor no longer sells used units and fee for renting is cost prohibitive.

Bat Box for Lipo Charging – TR discussed pros and cons and decided to close this issue for good without purchase.

Gate Lock – Discussion of creating new video for membership to watch to show gate lock and other key information. Tabled until spring/summer.

Training Season – Low turnout so far – likely due to weather.

Combat Season – Season has started but hoping for increased participation.

New Business:

Fun Fly Details:

Event shirts have been ordered.

Craig volunteered to be event cook starting at 10am Friday and on Saturday.

Budget of \$450 approved (200 food, 150 raffle, 100 misc.)

Travis will donate drinks (tell Travis what you want him to get)

No Maiden flights during the sanctioned event hours (9am to 2pm daily)

Heath to get cash box/change

VAM may conduct membership verification (work in progress) for VAM, AMA, STRUST, FAA#.

Open Flying on Thursday, Friday events start at 11am,

Saturday includes tailgate swap meeting starting at 9am.

John to bring white board to track events.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

May 17-19 Armed Forces Day, Wausau WI Jun 13-15 – VAM Fun Fly (Plan your vacations now) Jun 16 – Calumet Flyers Father's Day Fun Fly. Jun 21-22 – Wings over Wausau – EVENT CANCELED!!!

Show and Tell:

No show and tell but a little flying afterwards.

Adjournment:

Motion made and approved to adjourn at: __7pm



Date: 06/10/2024
Location: VAM Quarry Field, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom:6pm TR Miller
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:27
Secretary's report - Tim Stadler - Report waived.
Treasurer's and report - Heath Bartel - Report ready and approved.
Membership Count 2024:72
Old Business:
Membership renewal – Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM, AMA, FAA#, and STRUST certificate.
Quarry field report: Mike Stoop picked up new mower blades so tractor in good shape. Tim Bergstrom rolled the field on June 10 th in time for fun fly.
Flag Pole - John La Prest donated a flag and has volunteered to maintain the flag pole this summer.
Porta Potty Upgrade Project: A big thank you to Scott Fabel for donating a new porta potty for the club.
Gate Lock – Discussion of creating new video for membership to watch to show gate lock and other key information. Tabled until summer.

Training Season – Status report. No training on June 13th due to fun flv.

Combat Season – Status report.

New Business:

Fun Fly Details:

Event shirts have been ordered.

Craig volunteered to be event cook starting at 10am Friday and on Saturday.

Budget of \$450 approved (200 food, 150 raffle, 100 misc.)

Tim B. to pick up raffle prizes from HT DePere.

Travis will donate drinks (tell Travis what you want him to get)

No Maiden flights during the sanctioned event hours (9am to 2pm daily, 9 to noon Saturday) Heath to get cash box/change

VAM may conduct membership verification (work in progress) for VAM, AMA, STRUST, FAA#.

Open Flying on Thursday, Friday events start at 11am,

Saturday includes tailgate swap meeting starting at 9am.

John donated a white board and markers to track events.

Pilot fee with shirt is \$20. Can sign up on line to guarantee shirt of at event.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Jun 13-15 – VAM Fun Fly (Plan your vacations now)

Jun 16 – Calumet Flyers Father's Day Fun Fly.

Jun 21-22 - Wings over Wausau - EVENT CANCELED!!!

Jun 23 – Tundra Terror XXXV – Green Bav

Jun 29/30 – Waterford Balloon Fest Drone Race

Jul 6 – Wings Over Pebble Creek RC Fun Fly - Waukesha

Jul 8 – VAM Club Meeting – Quarry Field 6pm

Jul 13 – Northwoods Fun Fly – Rhinelander WI

Jul 14 - Cliff Evans Memorial Scale - Menomonee Falls WI

Jul 20/21 – Astrowings of Wisconsin Fly-In and Fun Fly

Jul 21 – Oshkosh/Pickett club Fun Fly and Tailgate Swap Meet

Jul 21 – Menomonee Falls Electric Fun Fly

Jul 21 – Tundra Terror XXXVI Green Bay

Jul 21 to 25 – EAA Airventure UAS STEM National Championships

Show and Tell:

No show and tell but a little flying afterwards.

Adjournment:

Motion made and approved to adjourn at: ____6:15 pm_____



Date: 08/12/2024
Location: VAM Quarry Field, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom:6pm TR Miller (president)
of club officers in attendance:4 (Tim S. a bit late)
of members in attendance:16
Secretary's report - Tim Stadler - Minutes waived
Treasurer's and report - Heath Bartel - Read and approved
Membership Count 2024:84
Old Business:
Membership renewal – Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM, AMA, FAA#, and STRUST certificate.
Quarry field report: Field is in great shape. City working to perform summer cutting, and field work on East side of main runway.
Fun Fly – Still some leftover shirts to sell in clubhouse (\$10 each, size Large).
Gate Lock – Discussion of creating new video for membership to watch to show gate lock and other key information. We need a volunteer to create this video.
Training Season – Status Update. There was question on whether we can have training on Saturdays but this would conflict with regular club member flying and instructors prefer to do this on Thursday night.
Combat Season – Status Update

Brennand Days – Great event. Flight sims, drone flying, and static models all a big hit with attendees. EAA chapter will hold their monthly meeting at Quarry Field on Tuesday, August 20th. They typically have cookout and VAM members welcome to participate.

New Business:

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Aug 15-17 - Warbirds and Classics over Midwest - Fond Du Lac, WI

Aug 18 - Tundra Terror XXXVII - Green Bay, WI

Aug 18 - Robert Wellnitz Memorial Airshow - Fond Du Lac, WI

Sep 6-7 – Warbirds and Classics over Buck Knob – Durand, WI

Sep 7 – Flying Electrons Swap Meet – Menomonee Falls, WI

Sep 8 – VAM Combat Challenge I – Quarry Field - Appleton, WI

Sep 9 – VAM Monthly Meeting 6pm – Quarry Field - Appleton, WI

Sep 20-21 – (9th Annual Flying Circus Fun Fly – Beloit WI

Sep 22 - VAM Combat Challenge II - Quarry Field - Appleton, WI

Oct 6 - Tundra Terror XXXVIII - Green Bay, WI

Oct 6 - Winnebago Flyers Swap Meeting - EAA Oshkosh, WI

Oct 14 – VAM Monthly Meeting 6pm Quarry Field - Appleton, WI

Oct 27 - Wausau RC Swap Meet & Auction - Weston, WI

Adjournment:	
Motion made and approved to adjourn at:	6:17 pm



Date: 09/09/2024
Location: VAM Quarry Field, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom:6pm TR Miller President
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:21
Secretary's report - Tim Stadler - waived
Treasurer's and report – Heath Bartel – read and approved. Property insurance renewed with improved policy.
Membership Count 2024:86
Old Business:
Membership renewal – Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM, AMA, FAA#, and STRUST certificate.
Quarry field report: City work nearly complete. Some table wheels replaced by Michael Stoop
Fun Fly – Still some leftover shirts to sell in clubhouse (\$5 each, size Large).
Gate Lock – Discussion of creating new video for membership to watch to show gate lock and other key information. We need a volunteer to create this video.
Training Season – Complete for the year.
Combat Season – Tuesday nights complete for the year. Some challenges left. Sept 8 th - VAM Combat Challenge I – 8 pilots. Sept 22 nd – VAM Combat Challenge II

Abby Bank Meeting Location – Marty confirmed we are again able to use Abby Bank meeting rooms starting in November. We should ask about December where they do the gifts for charity, etc.

Fire Extinguisher / Sand – Steve Kiser made \$100 motion for purchase garbage can with sand and fire extinguisher to reduce lipo battery fire risk.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Sep 20-21 – (9th Annual Flying Circus Fun Fly – Beloit WI

Sep 21 – Oconto Elks Fly-In (Northern Aces)

Sep 22 - VAM Combat Challenge II - Quarry Field - Appleton, WI

Oct 6 - Tundra Terror XXXVIII - Green Bay, WI

Oct 6 - Winnebago Flyers Swap Meeting - EAA Oshkosh, WI

Oct 14 - VAM Monthly Meeting 6pm Quarry Field - Appleton, WI

Oct 27 - Wausau RC Swap Meet & Auction - Weston, WI

Adjournment:	
Motion made and approved to adjourn at:	6:13 pm



Date: 10/14/2024
Location: VAM Quarry Field, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom: _6PM Pres TR Miller
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:11
Secretary's report – Tim Stadler – Waived for summer meeting.
Treasurer's and report – Heath Bartel – Read and approved. Heath explained club CD investments.
Membership Count 2024:87 (final for year)

Old Business:

Membership renewal – Membership renewals begin in November. Ensure you have valid VAM and AMA membership as well as current FAA registration. On January 1st, gate combo will be changed. Heath initiated discussion on membership rates and membership elected to keep them the same in 2025.

Quarry field report: Mike to mow one last time for the year. City completed their work. Steve will service tractor. Field will be winterized soon.

Club approved \$40 for Steve to get tractor supplies.

Club last month approved \$100 for safety supplies. Heath spent \$46 on fire suppression. Club will be getting metal can with lid/sand to temporarily park dangerous batteries. Club approved \$60 for driveway markers. (Orange band with silver is preferred)

Training season ended

Combat season ended. Club may try to have build sessions a little earlier to give time for people to complete models prior to combat season start in 2025.

Club Meetings:

The VAM November meeting will be at Abby Bank

The VAM December (Christmas/Pizza) meeting will be at 5184 Abitz Road in Appleton (Take HWY 41 to prospect west to Prospect CT then Abitz Road - Fable Collision Center) The VAM January, Feb, Mar, and Apr meetings will be at Abby Bank.

Swap Meet 2025 – VAM Swap Meet will be held on Sunday, April 6th at Maloney's in Kaukauna. Budget of \$450 approved for hall and \$55 approved for both swap meet and fun fly model aircraft ads. Thanks to Joe Fritz for our first raffle donation of \$100 kwik trip card. Swap meet will begin at 7:30 am with auction/raffle to begin at 10:30 am.

Club Officer Elections – VAM will be accepting nominations for 2025 club officer positions at the November club meeting. The voting will occur at the December meeting.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Oct 20 - Calumet Flyers swap meet

Oct 27 – Wausau swap meet

Jan 18 – Janesville swap meet

Jan 26 – West Bend swap meet

Show and Tell:

Tim flew the HB1 with internal LED lights after the club meeting.

Adjournment:

Motion made and approved to adjourn at: __6:32 PM___



Date: 11/11/2024
Location: Abby Bank Basement, 6pm
Time called to order and by whom: _ 6pm Pres TR Miller
of club officers in attendance:4
of members in attendance:13
Secretary's report – Tim Stadler Read and approved
Treasurer's and report – Heath Bartel Read and approved
Membership Count 2024:87
Old Business:
Membership renewal – 2025 Membership renewals have started. Ensure you have valid VAM and AMA membership as well as current FAA registration. On January 1 st , gate combo will be changed.
Quarry field report: Field is winterized. Tractor repairs complete. Closing that \$40 budget. Safety improvements complete. Closing that \$100 budget. Tractor battery removed. John LaPriest installed new flag. Tim took home flight sim computer for winter.

Civil Air Patrol – Fox Valley Squadron visited Quarry field on November 2nd so cadets could earn their rocket badges. Fun time for all.

New Business:

Club Meetings:

VAM December club meeting will be at 5184 Abitz Road in Appleton (Take HWY 41 to prospect west to Prospect CT then Abitz Road - Fable Collision Center) We return to Abby bank in January.

December meeting – Club providing pizzas. Members can bring own beverage of choice and snacks to pass around.

Swap Meet 2025 – VAM Swap Meet will be held on Sunday, April 6th at Maloney's in Kaukauna. Budget of \$450 approved for hall and \$55 approved for both swap meet and fun fly model aircraft ads. Swap meet will begin at 7:30 am with auction/raffle to begin at 10:30 am. Ad submitted to AMA

Travis delivering posters and flyers at Hobby shop locations including GB, Milwaukee, and soon Oshkosh.

Next phase is raffle prize collection.

Club Officer Elections – No club officer nominations were made in November. Carrying to December and voting will occur at December meeting. Current slate of officers willing to remain but would like to replace if there is interest from any members.

Indoor flying – Events to be held at Carl Traeger on Sundays in Oshkosh and some Sundays at GB club in southern door county.

Frozen Finger Fun Fly – Coming up on January 1st, 2025.

Northern Aces Dinner – Good Company on December 18th. Any VAM member is welcome to attend – 6pm.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Dec 9th – VAM Meeting at 5184 Abitz Road (Fable Collision Center)

Jan 13 – VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Jan 18 – Janesville swap meet

Jan 26 – West Bend swap meet

Feb 10 - VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Mar 10 - VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Apr 6 – VAM Show and Auction, Maloney's Bar, Kaukauna WI 7:30 am

Apr 14 - VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Adjournment:		
Motion made and approved to adjourn at:	6:18 PM	

Date: 12/09/2024



Meeting Minutes

Location: 5184 Abitz Road (Fable Collision Center), 6pm
Time called to order and by whom:6:34 pm Travis Stone VP
of club officers in attendance:3
of members in attendance:13
Secretary's report - Tim Stadler - read and approved
Treasurer's and report - Heath Bartel - read and approved
Membership Count 2025:9

Old Business:

Membership renewal – 2025 Membership renewals are open. Ensure you have valid VAM and AMA membership as well as current FAA registration. On January 1st, gate combo will be changed and members notified.

Quarry field report: Scott Fabel to snow plow for fun fly this year. Heath indicated porta-potty service ended for year – winterized.

Swap Meet 2025 – VAM Swap Meet will be held on Sunday, April 6th at Maloney's in Kaukauna. Budget of \$450 approved for hall and \$55 approved for both swap meet and fun fly model aircraft ads. Swap meet will begin at 7:30 am with auction/raffle to begin at 10:30 am. Ad submitted to AMA

Posters/flyers at area hobby shops. There may be new hobby shop in Seymour. Raffle prize collection has begun.

Club Meetings:

We return to Abby bank basement (1500 N. Casaloma) in January.

Club Officer Elections – No new nominations received. Motion made and approved to keep existing officers and appointed positions for 2025. TR Miller will remain as President, Travis Stone as VP, Heath Bartel as Treasurer, Tim Stadler as Secretary. Steve Kiser appointed Field Marshall and TR Miller retains Safety Officer.

Frozen Finger Fun Fly – Coming up on January 1st, 2025.

Northern Aces Dinner – Good Company on December 14th. Any VAM member is welcome to attend – 6pm.

Geo Textile / Field Leveling – There was discussion about doing something to help support more electric jets at the field. Considerable discussion on geo-textile and bringing in topsoil. With President not in attendance and given we are just now coming into Winter, we decided to table until spring. Tim will work with Oshkosh club to see if we can visit their location as they have two rolls of geo-textile installed and it is a bit different to fly from. We also needed to set expectations that VAM cannot afford to cover entire field – it would just be a small section of runway. The field will move a bit and we can see how the rolling hills are in the spring.

Club reminders and upcoming events:

Jan 13 - VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Jan 18 – Janesville swap meet

Jan 26 - West Bend swap meet

Feb 10 - VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Mar 10 - VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Apr 6 – VAM Show and Auction, Maloney's Bar, Kaukauna WI 7:30 am

Apr 14 - VAM Meeting Abby Bank Basement, 6pm

Show and Tell:

Scott gave a very interesting tour of Fabel Collision Center after the meeting adjourned.

Adjournment:		
Motion made and approved to adjourn at:	7:31	