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Regular Meeting July 13th at 7:00 PM Mammoth

Breakfast 8:30 AM, July 11th Eat n' Park in Greensburg

Breakfast 8:30 AM July 24th The Coop is closed, alternate choice, Kings Willow Crossing Greensburg

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Hey everyone, Wasssup!

I hope everyone has been enjoying the beginning of summer. Thanks to all who attended our last rainy meeting. (what else are you going to do when it rains?) It seems that mother nature doesn't want us to teach new pilots though as the past few trainer nights have been rained out. Trainees, don't be discouraged! Come out on the good days and you should be able to find some help to get you in the air. I hope everyone enjoys (or enjoyed) there 4th of July holiday.

Robby

Minutes of the Meeting of June 8, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Rob Whalen with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 19 members present. Because of the rain at meeting time, the meeting was held at Mammoth Park Pavilion #13. The minutes of the May 11th meeting were approved as published in the June newsletter. Two new members were voted into the club: Russell Shorkey, of Harrison City, and Melissa Ann Whalen (Rob's wife), of Ruffs Dale. Secretary Don Accorsi circulated a flyer for the Mon-Valley Electric Fun Fly, June 23 & 24, at Cedar Creek Park. He then read a letter to the membership from Dick Durr, in which Dick donated \$100 (one hundred dollars!) toward the support of the new website that Charley Zera designed for the club. (Thank you very much, Dick, for this very generous gesture!) The Treasurers report was approved, as read by Mike Bossick.. Vice President Jim Pennington announced the raffle prize: a Seagull Models (Division of Hangar 9) Super Star 1.60 ARF, w/70" wingspan. Field Control/Safety Officer Brian Moore reported that anyone who missed the Opening Day Picnic missed a great time. The weather and food were great, there was a great turnout and Bob's Fun Fly was a "real blast". He thanked everyone who came, and especially those who helped.

Old Business:

Float Fly: Bob Bushmire reported that the second float fly at Acme Dam (June 2nd) was another great success. It was a good turnout, and there was a good representation from the Mon Valley Club. There were more planes (~12) and fewer boats this time, and everyone had a great time. It was a beautiful day and the lake was “like glass”. The next float fly is scheduled for Saturday, July 14th.

Public Relations: Bob Bushmire advised the membership that we need to be careful of the impression(s) that we give in our dealings with the authorities and the public in general. We don't want to give any wrong impressions of our attitude or any of our policies. We need to be cooperative, courteous and considerate toward the authorities and the general public. Ron Gade reinforced this with some comments of his own. Bob also suggested, with endorsement from Brian Moore, that it would be wise for the club to file its own accident report on any mishap and keep it on record.

Fred Dey also mentioned a new “cut” across our airfield that seems to invite walkers, bicyclists, equestrians, etc., and tends to interfere with air traffic. Brian Moore will discuss it with Park Maintenance.

New Website: Bob Bushmire moved that the club adopt Charley Zera's new website in place of the current one and use part of Dick Durr's \$100 contribution to purchase the domain. Much discussion ensued, at which time Charley Zera gave a brief summary of the advantages and disadvantages of having the new website. A show of hands vote was overwhelmingly in favor of the new website. The domain name for the new website is: LHMAC.org, and will be accessible by typing <http://www.lhmac.org/> into your web browser. However, until the new website is up and running, typing the above address into your browser will bring up the **current** website. (NOTE: On behalf of the entire club, the officers wish to express our sincere gratitude to Greg Lazarchick for graciously supplying, at his own expense, and maintaining the present website over the past several years. It was commendable and much appreciated.)

Refreshments: Doug Hagy announced that he will be handling the refreshments for this summer (thanks Doug!), so if there is anything in particular that anyone prefers, please let him know.

Work Party: Brian Moore reported that the May 26th work party went very well. There was an excellent turnout and the work was finished in less than 2 hours. He thanked all who participated.

New Business:

Presentation: Don Accorsi announced that he will be giving his annual presentation on model airplanes to the Green Meadows Assisted Living Home on Friday, June 22nd. They will also be coming to the field to watch us fly at 12 Noon on Thursday, July 26th. He would like to have as many fliers as possible there to put on a nice “air show” for them.

Flea Market: President Whalen reported that Leo Rodriguez will not be able to chair the Flea Market this year. Bob Bushmire stated that he would chair the event if Leo could reserve the Hempfield Hunt Club for either October 21st or 28th. In this case, a motion was passed to pay Leo's Hunt Club dues for this purpose. Rene Marquis then reiterated that he still plans to handle the food and kitchen.

Show & Tell:

Brian Moore showed his 36” electric Skeeter.. He said it was an easy build. It uses a very small 7-

channel receiver and Jason Schulman servos. He said not to buy the servos, as they stripped on simply turning by hand.

Rob Whalen showed his 30" electric Skeeter. It was just like Brian's, but smaller and was equipped with LED's. He obtained the plans from Flying Giants. He said both Skeeters fly great.

Raffle:

The Seagull Super Star 1.60 ARF was won by Fred Dey.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Accorsi

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 Float Fly July, 14th
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 Speed, July 22nd

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