

Wing Tips

Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club

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*Regular Meeting June 10th at 7:00 PM Mammoth
Breakfast 8:30 AM, June 8th Eat'n Park Rt 30 East
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Prez Says

GREETINGS: Hope you are well! Finally the weather seems to have changed for the better. Hope you are enjoying these days of warmth and sunshine and coming down to the field and to do some flying.

The month of May was indeed a good month for club activities with the building of the workbenches, the cleaning-up of the field and the opening day picnic and fun fly.

The turnout for the building of the field was impressive. In about 3 ½ hours the installation of the workbenches and the clean-up of the field was completed. A special, special thanks to Mike Bossick who constructed the workbenches in his garage and directed and assisted in their installation. Thanks also to Don Accorsi, Chuck Bowman, Bob Bushmire, Bill Cecchetti, Lester Faroux, Joe Lennatti, Walter Rubino, John Hathaway, Vaun Hile, Ron and Lucas Morgan, Jim Pennington, Bob Sanzi, Mark Withrow, Chuck Zera for all your help and to Doug Hagy for providing the doughnuts. I apologize if I have omitted anyone else.

The opening day picnic and fun fly was a huge success. It was a beautiful day, the flight line was full, the food plentiful and delicious and Jim Pennington stated that approximately 97 people were in attendance. A big thank you to chef Brian Moore for buying, preparing, serving and cooking. It is greatly appreciated! To all of you of who brought covered dishes/desserts, thank you. And finally, thank you to Ron and Lucas Morgan for organizing the fun fly. The competition was fair and well planned.

A reminder that the fuel committee members are: Vaun Hile, Ron Gade, Jeff Hails and Brian Moore. Fuel may be purchased from them for \$15.00 a gallon.

Three events are scheduled for June. The Scale contest June 5th at 1:00 PM. Hope to see lots of planes there. The pylon races are scheduled for Sunday, June 19 and the

high wing fly-in is scheduled for Tuesday evening, June 14 at 6:00 PM. Don't forget that the meeting will be held at the field at 7:00 PM or Pavilion 13 (across the lake) in the event of a heavy rain. See you at the meeting on Friday, June 10.

Thank You!

Rene

Minutes of the Meeting of May 13, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Rene Marquis with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 27 members and one guest present. Three new members were voted into the club: James E. Arnold, of Trafford; Joseph Leonatti, of Irwin; and Walter Rubino, of Derry. The minutes of the April meeting were approved as published in the May newsletter. Secretary Don Accorsi circulated a flyer again for the MD-WV Model RR Association Train Show & Sale with R/C Cars & Planes, in Cumberland, MD, on Saturday, May 14th. The Treasurer's report was approved, as given by Mike Bossick. Vice President Jim Pennington announced the raffle prize: a Hobbyzone Electric Champ RTF. Newsletter Editor Jeff Hails reported that there are currently no problems with delivery of the newsletter. As Field Control/Safety Officer he reported that the field is in good condition and has been mowed. The park maintenance staff is currently short three people. President Marquis reported that the website is up to date and running well.

Old Business:

- (a) **T-Shirts & Club Patches:** President Marquis announced that the new T-shirts were in and available for pick up. He expects to have information on club patches at the next meeting.
- (b) **Scale Contest:** Sunday, June 5th at 1:00 PM. Chairman: Rob Craig. Anyone interested in helping with the judging should contact Rob.
- (c) **S & P Q-500 Pylon Races:** Chairman: Brian Moore. Dates: May 22nd, June 19th, July 17th, August 14th and September 11th. The **Richard J. Makovich Memorial Electric Pylon Races** will immediately follow each of the S & P Q-500 Pylon Races. Chairman: Rob Whalen.
- (d) **Float Flys:** Possible new locations will be investigated as soon as possible.
- (e) **Food & Beverage Sign-Up:** Thanks to Jim Craig for providing the refreshments for this meeting. June & July meetings are signed up for, but volunteers are still needed for later meetings.
- (f) **Snyder Cup:** Chairman: Bob Bushmire. To be held some time in August. Exact date still to be determined.
- (g) **August Picnic:** Sunday, August 28th. We will host the Keystone Clippers. Still need chairmen for both food and fun fly.

New Business:

- (a) **Tuesday High Wing Night:** New for this flying season: Tuesday evening, high wing airplanes fun fly. The first of these is to be held on Tuesday, June 14th beginning at 6:00 PM.
- (b) **Work Benches:** Mike Bossick will be the chief engineer for the project, to be ready for the May 29th picnic. He will also build the two bench tops. \$250 was allocated for building materials.
- (c) **Clean-up & Work Day:** Saturday, May 21st, beginning at 9:00 AM, clean-up and spruce-up. We will also dig holes for the work bench posts. Need a generator, hedge trimmers, weed whackers,

ladders, rakes, shovels, post hole diggers and lots of help.

(d) Airport Air Show: Our club has been invited to participate in the Arnold Palmer Airport (scaled down) Air Show to be held on Saturday & Sunday, August 20th & 21st. Bob Bushmire will be the Contest Director. No details available yet.

(e) Awards Banquet: Saturday, November 5th, at 7:00 PM, at Hoss' Steak & Sea House, on Route 119 in South Greensburg. Arrangements are the same as last year: order from the menu at your own expense. A 15% gratuity and \$1.00 room usage fee will be added to each check.

(f) Next Meeting: Friday, June 10th, 7:00 PM, at the field pavilion. If it is raining, the meeting will be at Pavilion #13 on the other side of Mammoth Lake.

Show & Tell:

Bob Stuckert used his Hobbyzone Foam Electric Super Cub float plane to illustrate how to hook up a water rudder. He also explained how he added ailerons to the foam wings.

Rob Whalen showed his Proton Q-190, all built up from a laser cut kit. It uses everything out of the Delta Demon and is a spin-off of several Q-500 designs, but the wing is his own design. It has a 190 sq. in. wing area, uses a 200 Watt motor with a 3-cell 1800 mAh battery pack, and is expected to go 70 to 80 mph. It also has provisions for a landing gear. It should be able to run in the same class as the electric pylon racers. He will have kits available for sale and expects the price to be between \$30 and \$40.

Raffle:

The Hobbyzone Electric Champ RTF was won by Walter Rubino.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Accorsi

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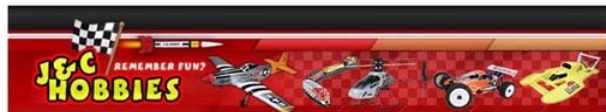
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