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Club Meeting News

Randy Yarborough, Secretary

The Seminole Radio Control Club meeting was held on December 2, 2013, at the Southwood Community Center. The community center is a very nice facility in an upscale location. Attendees enjoyed pizza, soft drinks and good discussion. (Editor's Note: A big THANK YOU to Randy Yarborough for arranging the meeting room, donating soft drinks and cleaning up afterwards.)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Jim Ogorek.

Last Meeting Minutes

Comments about the November meeting in the club newsletter were adopted in lieu of a secretary's report. They were approved unanimously by the membership.

Financial Report

The treasurer's report was received and approved by the membership. There were no exceptional expeditures to report. The membership and the board unanimously approved the report. (The complete report is included in this newsletter.)

Old Business

The group discussed electrical problems at the field. The president recommended that the electrical problems be repaired by the electrician that installed the wiring for the club. It was suggested that we check to see if any of the installation is still under warranty. It was recommended that, if extensive repairs are required, the club get at least two quotes for the work.

It was also recommended that, if extensive repairs are required to the electrical system, we should consider eliminating the timers and moving the underground pavilion wiring to above ground conduits. The treasurer stated that he would contact the electrical company that installed the system and obtain a diagnosis and quote for repairs.

The officers nominated for 2014 were unopposed. Therefore, the club held a vote to ratify the new officers and the membership approved. The new club officers for 2014 are Mike Levine, President; Jeff Owens, Vice President; Bill Ashbaker, Treasurer; and Randy Yarborough, Secretary. Mike Levine appointed Jim Ogorek as the club's safety officer for 2014.

New Business

Dennis Canfield, a new member, who joined the club in November, was welcomed by the group.

The president mentioned that Children's Day is coming up on January 25th. He encouraged members to participate. There is no flying, only static displays at these events, but the children love it.

President Ogorek announced that the HobbyTown USA store will be closing early in 2014 unless somebody buys the inventory and assumes store operations.

The treasurer mentioned that members who wish to renew their dues using PayPal can go to their PayPal account and send money to SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com. Members who have a sufficient balance to cover the dues in their PayPal accounts do not have to pay the additional PayPal fee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 pm.

Electrical Repairs Complete

Subsequent to the December club meeting, Anytime Electric was contacted and they restored electrical service to the sockets at the south end of the pavilion on Friday December 6th. It was a relatively simple and inexpensive fix.

Future Club Meetings

For the entire 2014 year, club meetings will be held on the third Thursday of each month at Beef O'Brady's on Thomasville Road near the HobbyTown USA store. Our January meeting will be at Beef's at 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 16th. Come early and enjoy dinner at the meeting. Significant others are very welcome to all meetings.

What Makes Airplanes Fly?

If you want the truth about this often misunderstood phenomenon, watch our resident expert's video on the CPALMS web site at http://www.cpalms.org/CPALMS/perspectives enthusiast MACC912NVM11 jo.aspx. Our vice-president, Jeff Owens, who is a professor of physics at Florida State University explains it all. Jeff volunteered his time and expertise to CPALMS. CPALMS is an educational center housed at FSU that develops standards for math and science courses for elementary, middle and high schools throughout the State of Florida.

New Members

Dennis Canfield joined the club in November. Please welcome him when you get the chance.

Club Dues — Again

Most of you have received your AMA renewal package for 2014. Please renew your AMA membership soon. Lack of AMA membership is the one of the few things that can prevent you from flying at the field. You will recall that we are required to have individual AMA insurance under our lease contract with Leon County. If an accident involving personal injury or property damage occurs at the field and you do not have current AMA coverage, it could be very distressing and expensive for you and the club could lose our field for being in violation of our lease contract. If you do not renew by the end of the year, you may not fly starting January 1, 2014.

Your club membership dues are due before the end of the year. All of the things we need to keep our field a nice place to fly are paid for by membership dues. Dues are our only source of income and must pay for many things like gas and repairs for the mower, field repairs and improvements, insurance, electric bills, state and national fees and the list goes on.

Of course, the annual dues have not changed: \$60.00 for general membership, \$75.00 for family membership and \$20.00 for junior membership. There are three ways to pay: cash or check to the treasurer at a meeting or at the field, mail a check to the treasurer, or PayPal.

If you want to mail a check, make it out to Seminole Radio Control Club and send it to:

Bill Ashbaker Seminole Radio Control Club 2509 Napoleon Bonaparte Drive Tallahassee, FL 32308

If you prefer to use PayPal, merely go to your PayPal account and send money to:

SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com

If you have a sufficient account balance to cover the dues, there is no extra fee to pay through PayPal. However, if your balance is less than the dues amount, you will have to use a credit card and pay a small extra amount to cover the fee: \$62.10 for general membership, \$77.55 for family membership and \$21.70 for junior membership.

Around the Field





Around the Field is a monthly collection of member items and activities. Feel free to email photos and comments for publication to SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com

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Gassers/Nitros	12 Noon till Dusk

8:30 AM till 9:15 PM

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We welcome and encourage items for publishing in *The Seminole Flyer*. Please submit your suggestions to SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com in Word format. Thank You.

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