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### SEPTEMBER 2016

### THE MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, AT RIVERWIND!!

## PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

Events for September are the all-electric open fly on the 10th and fun fly on the 17th. Our monthly meeting is at the Coon Rapids Riverwind location. Jeff Flander hosted the first large-scale fly event. I arrived at the field early afternoon and it appeared to be a successful event. We will have to try and add this event to next years schedule. Thank you Jeff for organizing this event. Dan and Amy Thiede did their usual great job of arranging lunch, Thank You again. We as members need to help with club events, if we don't it won't happen. Please consider helping with one event per year.

The low spots in the parking lot have been filled in, no more mud puddles. Thank you Tim Karash for arranging this. Other needed repairs are starting benches, picnic tables, benches, and YES, the "F" word. We will be looking into replacing the orange fence. If you are interested attend the next meeting or email your concerns to any board member or me. We are also looking into runway repair to the surface. I invite your input. We are looking for resources to do the work etc. I sent out some inquiries concerning the runway and received the following response.

Virgil – I talked to our Metro Materials Engineer and he said that a seal coat could smooth out your runway and seal up cracks, provided there isn't significant structural damage to the pavement.

A mill and thin overlay would also work, but would be much more expensive. There is also a

technology called microsurfacing. I think this can be applied to in-place asphalt without any milling or significant prep work.

Pearson Brothers in Hannover or Astech in St. Cloud are contractors who could do a small project like this. I'm sure there are many others around that do driveway and parking lot work.

That's it for now

Virgil Okeson

# FROM THE VEEP

This month I've mowed my yard more times than all summer in years past. Recent rain has kept my so-called yard looking quite green, which is very unusual when you live on a sand pile also known as Isanti. Speaking of rain, I was out at the field recently and noticed the runoff pond next to the field road is nearly overflowing into our road. It will be interesting to see what will happen in the spring should we have a wet fall and just normal snowfall.

This month I've got some neat raffle prizes. How about an adjustable temperature soldering station, or a Great Planes CG machine, plus many more. So come on out and support your club at the next meeting. After all, the board positions have all been filled for another year.

Tim Karash



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## **ACRC TRAINING**

We have not set an end date for training but in the past it's been first or second weekend in October. We will stick with that weather permitting. Training is going well. We still have four in training and happy to say one new solo. Nick Schmitz soled on August 31. Congratulations Nick. His training instructor Scott Oleson did a great job working with him. Nick will be joining ACRC in September. Welcome aboard.

Never say you're too old to learn!

I had noticed a few things that Scott ande Nick were working on. At the end of the evening I talked with both of them only to find out that Scott had been putting Nick into different situations and telling him to think about it, before giving flight controls back to allow him to recover. (inverted flight) They worked on more but what I am driving at is, that Scott went beyond what we had set as required flight training for some one to solo. In this case he gave Nick some valuable information that may save him an R/C plane some day and gave me more ideas.

Stall recovery: mentally quick procedure works best.

- 1. Center all the controls and especially quit pulling up elevator! This alone will allow a lot of planes to recover.
- 2. Smoothly apply down elevator and throttle as needed until the plane responds.
- 3. Pull up elevator to recover.

If you have time to think, apply opposite rudder at the same time as the down elevator and throttle

Tom La Rose

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Membership in ACRC is currently at 106 members. This is 4 less than last year at this time. Each year ACRC gets some new fliers. One of the ways that you can help the club is to become an instructor. If you are interested in becoming an instructor you can contact Tom LaRose at <a href="mailto:instruction@anoka-rc.com">instruction@anoka-rc.com</a>.

**REMINDER** - **ALL** pilots should have their membership card on the frequency board when they are flying. Don't forget it when you leave!!!

At the membership meetings in June and July ACRC took nominations for board members for 2016/2018. Four positions had to be filled and the 4 members whose terms were up agreed to serve for 2 more years. Jeff Flander agreed to serve the one-year term of the board member that we were missing. A vote was taken at the August meeting and all nominations were approved. ACRC needs members who are willing to help run the club. You cannot just wait for the next guy to do the work while you just fly. Remember, you too can be a FBM.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT <u>RIVERWIND</u> ON SEPTEMBER 15 AT 7:00 PM. Don't forget the fun-fly on Saturday September 17.

Stan Zdon

# **ACRC MINUTES**

Board members present

Virgil Okeson, Tim Karash, Bob Proulx, Stan Zdon, Marc Tellevik, Brett Ohnstad

15 Members present.

**Membership:** is now at 106

**Treasurers report:** 

Income: \$180.00 Expenses: \$355.29

### **Upcoming Events:**

Monthly Fun Flies

Big Bird Fly-In on 8/27

Fall Fly-Out scheduled for October 1st

Quad race may still happen. Difficulties securing participants.

### **Training Update:**

Several prospective new members were given introductory flights on training night.

Intro pilot program is working.

Trainer pilot proficiency check off sheet working.

Safety: No concerns at this time

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#### **Old Business:**





Civil air patrol cadets were out at the field for intro flights. All were enthusiastic.

Tractor front axle grease fitting to be repaired with a barb type fitting.

Parking lot dirt movement is scheduled and should be done by September 1.

#### **New Business:**

A proposal to reduce ACRC Membership dues for youth was made. They are currently 1/2 of normal dues. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to leave the dues as is. Motion passed.

A request was made to expand spread spectrum section of frequency board area. The board has taken the request under advisement and is exploring possibilities.

Membership card use on the frequency board has been lax lately. Please follow club rules and post your membership card regardless of frequency used.

Virgil floated the idea of a fieldwork night to make repairs to facilities. A list of needed projects will be made for next spring workday.

#### Show and tell:



**Dale Anderson** brought a Great Planes 40 size Cherokee kit. Dale has gone to the dark side and converted it to electric power. It also has a removable cabin roof, delayed flap deployment, plus marker and landing lights. It weighs in at 6.75 lb.

#### Raffle:

1st	Tom LaRose	Shade canopy
2nd	Bruce Martin	Phone wind meter
3rd	Bruce Montgomery	Magnetic parts tray
4th	Duane Orson	Thick CA
5th	Marc Tellevik	Multi tool
6th	Mark Lichtscheidl	Thin CA

Tim Karash



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## **ACRC BIG BIRD FLY-IN**

The 2016 Big Bird was a success considering it had to be moved to Sunday the 28th for weather. That turned out to be the right decision because Saturday's weather turned out worse than predicted. Sunday morning was a little rough, damp and foggy but I had fun punching holes in the low fog ceiling and then wondering where and when my plane would re-appear coming straight back down. By noon it cleared nicely with low wind and the pilots enjoyed themselves. Maybe next year the weather will cooperate better and we'll have more pilots but we had a fun turnout considering.



The pilots were Randy Clison, Gary and Jeff Smith, Jason Korst who took home the BEST CRASH TROPHY for a nasty dead stick with his beautiful MXS, Roger Jeffrey who got BEST PLANE TROPHY for his beautiful Heavy Metal scheme MXS and the fact that he's still smiling after all the adversity he's



suffered this year, Andy Noll, Chuck Lundy, Rick Teteak, Mark and Tammy Bilyk, and myself. Bless Dan and Amy Thiede for doing the concessions and a special thanks to Jeff Slater who made an appearance and was kind enough to man the grill. It was suggested that maybe next year we do a couple Big Bird events.

Jeff Flander



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## **HOLIDAY EATING TIPS**

- 1. Avoid carrot sticks. Anyone who puts carrots on a holiday buffet table knows nothing of the Christmas spirit. In fact, if you see carrots, leave immediately. Go next door, where they're serving rum balls.
- 2. Drink as much eggnog as you can. And quickly. It's rare. You cannot find it any other time of year but now. So drink up! Who cares that it has 10,000 calories in every sip? It's not as if you're going to turn into an eggnog-alcoholic or something. It's a treat. Enjoy it. Have one for me. Have two. It's later than you think.
- 3. If something comes with gravy, use it. That's the whole point of gravy. Gravy does not stand alone. Pour it on. Make a volcano out of your mashed potatoes. Fill it with gravy. Eat the volcano. Repeat.
- 4. As for mashed potatoes, always ask if they're made with skim milk or whole milk. If it's skim, pass. Why bother? It's like buying a sports car with an automatic transmission.
- 5. Do not have a snack before going to a party in an effort to control your eating. The whole point of going to a holiday party is to eat other people's food for free. Lots of it. Hello?
- 6. Under no circumstances should you exercise between now and New Year's. You can do that in January when you have nothing else to do. This is the time for long naps, which you'll need after circling the buffet table while carrying a 10-pound plate of food and that vat of eggnog.
- 7. If you come across something really good at a buffet table, like frosted Christmas cookies in the shape and size of Santa, position yourself near them and don't budge. Have as many as you can before becoming the center of attention. They're like a beautiful pair of shoes. If you leave them behind, you're never going to see them again.
- 8. Same for pies. Apple, Pumpkin, Mincemeat. Have a slice of each. Or if you don't like mincemeat, have two apples and one pumpkin.

- Always have three. When else do you get to have more than one dessert? Labor Day?
- 9. Did someone mention fruitcake? Granted, it's loaded with the mandatory celebratory calories, but avoid it at all cost. I mean, have some standards.
- 10. One final tip: If you don't feel terrible when you leave the party or get up from the table, you haven't been paying attention. Re-read tips; start over, but hurry, January is just around the corner.

Remember this motto to live by:

"Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways, chocolate in one hand, a glass of red wine in the other, body thoroughly used up, totally worn out and screaming, WOO-HOO what a ride!"

## **BABY RAISING TIP**

During a commercial airline flight an experienced Air Force Pilot was seated next to a young mother with a babe in arms. When the baby began crying during the descent for landing, the mother began nursing the infant as discreetly as possible.

The pilot pretended not to notice, and, upon disembarking, he gallantly offered his assistance to help with the various baby-related items.

When the young mother expressed her gratitude, the pilot responded, "that's a good looking baby, and he sure was hungry!"

Somewhat embarrassed, the mother explained that her pediatrician said that the time spent on the breast would help alleviate the pressure in the baby's ears.

The Air Force Pilot sadly shook his head, and in true pilot fashion exclaimed, "And all these years, I've been chewing gum."









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### CALENDAR OF **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Thursday – September 15

•ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Saturday – September 17

•ACRC Fun Fly #6

Saturday – October 1

•ACRC Fly-Out

Thursday – October 20

•ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Saturday – October 22

•ACRC Fun Fly #7

Thursday – November 17

•ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Thursday – December 15

•ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Sunday – January 1

•ACRC Freeze Fly

