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THE MEETING ON MARCH 18 WILL BE ON ZOOM!!!

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PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

Summer and FUN FLYS

There was a proposal made, discussed, and voted on by the board and the membership present at the February meeting to enhance our monthly fun-fly. There will be a prize drawing at the field each month. To keep it fair to all flyers it was decided to make the prize a \$50.00 VISA card instead of gifts so Gas, Glow, or Electric pilots can purchase what they want or need. You have to have AMA and a club card to post on the frequency board. You have to fly in the event to get your ticket for the drawing. Spectators are certainly welcome but will not be included in the drawing. Your chances of winning in this drawing are fairly good since only pilots will be entered and only one entry per person.

In years past we would try to gear events to all level of experience. My first fun-fly at ACRC was with a buddy chord with Keith Mouldenhaur because I had just soloed. These fun flies are a great way to introduce our club members to each other and to some low pressure competition FOR FUN. You don't need to win to be eligible for the drawing, just fly and have fun. Jeff Flanders says he enjoys coordinating the fun flies and knows attendance has been meager. I am hoping by season's end we will see improved attendance and the lucky winners of the drawings will share with the membership what they spent their winnings on. I will talk to Jeff and let everyone know when the first fun-fly will be either April or May.

I delivered the Ted Fruth planes and miscellaneous to Tim Karash. He generously volunteered with some good ideas for sales. Look for his announcements for items for sale. Keep in mind all proceeds are going to add to our runway fund.

Jeff Slater

VEEP REPORT

At the last ACRC Club Meeting (02/18/2021) it was brought to the attention of the board there has been poor response to participate in Fun Fly events. Thus there was a discussion to continue/discontinue or how to increase the number of participants at Fun Fly events. The discussion included having prizes for winners of the event, which raised the concern about turning it into a contest event. To try increase participation and to resolve the question it was decided, by the board, to have a raffle prize given away at the end of each event. Only participants would be eligible for the raffle. Each participant would receive one ticket valid for that event's raffle. The prize is a Fifty Dollar Gift Card. The prize would be awarded at the end of the event and all participants will have equal opportunity to win. Hopefully this will increase interest. Of course, the fun bantering and lack of encouragement from all participants will still be "encouraged" (KEEP IT FRIENDLY).

The possibility of winning the "Prestigious Spectacular Crash Trophy for the month" may still be a possibility, so what the heck, you don't have

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to fly your airplane into the ground, you can have a fun social event and still have a chance to win a Fifty Dollar Gift Card. Will we see you there?

Virgil Okeson

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

THE MARCH MEETING IS ON ZOOM.

ACRC currently has 58 (58) members signed up for 2021. The number in parenthesis is the membership number at this time last year. If you personally know any members that have not renewed, please call them and remind them to renew for 2021. If they all renew, the membership numbers will equal last year's numbers. The 2021 budget is based on a projected membership of about 100 fully paid members. If we drop much below that number we will have to cut services somewhere.

The March meeting is when ACRC has the annual club swap meet. Because of Covid-19 we may have to have the swap meet at one of the summer meetings.

The ACRC freeze-fly is over and the flying season is almost here. Monthly Fun Flies are scheduled for the Saturdays after the membership meetings and start in April. Get those airplanes ready and come out and have some fun. More information will be published as the year progresses.

This year SPMRC will be working with King Kong Hobbies in Anoka for the fuel order. An order sheet for the fuel is included in this month's newsletter and it will also be sent out via email. It will have to be mailed to King Kong Hobbies so they get it by **April 4** and you will have to pick up your fuel at their store.

The next meeting will be on ZOOM on March 18 at 7:00 PM.

Stan Zdon



A Look Back

MARCH 2003

18 YEARS AGO

Spring clean up tops the list of most contributions. Be it at the field or personal aircraft, preparations for the fast approaching flying season.

Upcoming ACRC events planned are: Spring Fly-In, Pattern Contest, Fun Scale contest, Float Fly, and an all Electric Fly-In

Stan Zdon must have been busy at the keyboard as multiple 2003 ACRC lists were posted: Channel use, Non-Renewals, Membership phone and Membership Email.

MARCH 1993

28 YEARS AGO

Bob Svare apologized for not introducing guests and new members at the previous meeting. Oops.

Mark Svare gave a spiffy talk on Pattern contest flying at the February meeting. If only he would slow his speech down enough for mere mortals to understand.

Tim Brockman related his PC vs MAC trials and tribulations at work and again at home. His job requires a PC, while his wife is a teacher were MAC is predominantly used, thus 2 computers in his home.

The January Fun-Fly had 9 pilots in 34 degree temps, with light snow added for excitement. A gallon of fuel was won by the guy who flew an electric plane.

Dan Wennberg did a maiden flight of his rebuilt Skyward 60 (airplane vs telephone pole). The new foam wing was built with reduced dihedral and flew nicely, however on his 3rd touch-n-go, the wing departed the fuselage. Fortunately the plane was on the ground when this happened, with moderate damage to his ego originating from the peanut gallery. It seems stronger balsa wood was needed for the leading edge.

Sixteen events were listed for seven area clubs in the upcoming year.

Tim Karash

ACRC MINUTES

17 Members present.

President: Jeff Slater started the meeting at 7:00.

The next meeting is on ZOOM.

Vice President: Nothing to report.

Membership report:

56 members are signed up so far for 2021.

Events:

The ACRC Spring Fly-In was set for May 15.

The Pattern Contest is on June 12 & 13.

Training:

Training will start on April 14.

Safety report:

None

Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$294.00 - Calendars

Expenses: \$298.00 - AMA & website

Old Business: None

New Business: A discussion was held concerning the lack of participation in the Fun Flies. A motion was made and seconded to have a drawing for a \$50.00 Visa card at each Fun Fly. Only those who fly at the event will be entered in the drawing.

Stan Zdon

motor, 4 cell Nicad battery, and 72 MHz radio. Fuel tank cleaned and it runs great. Missing canopy / windscreen.

4) Yellow Goldberg Anniversary Cub, done up in one of the fabric type coverings. Full wing with removable struts. OS 61 4 stroke motor (pre Surpass), 4 cell NiCd flight pack, 72 MHz radio with charger. Fuel tank cleaned and ready to go.

5) New in box Magnum 12v starter. Original price tag of \$47.95

6) New in box Hobbico Accu-Cycle charger.

7) New in box GloBee Intellitach LCD screen digital tachometer for 2, 3, or 4 blade props.

8) Unique home built field box with tools and supplies. Includes a Magnum starter, power panel, analog tachometer, and a paper towel holder. It is built with a space for 1-gallon fuel can and Windex spray bottle.

ACRC members will get first "Dibs" on this collection, however I will be posting the items on Facebook sites in an effort to generate funds for the runway. The airplanes will be listed one per month following our monthly meeting in an online auction setting. There will be minimum opening bids assigned to each airplane, other items will start at \$10.00 each.

Tim Karash

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R/C STUFF FOR SALE

Ted Fruth's airplanes and goodies For Sale.

100% of the sale proceeds go toward the ACRC Runway Fund.

All planes include plans and instruction books. They are nicely built, straight, and clean. Any of them will make a nice "Everyday" flyer.

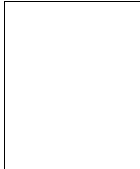
1) Purple and white Goldberg Electra, complete and ready to fly. Flight battery is a 4 cell Nicad, motor battery is a 2 cell Lipo. 72 MHz radio with charger for the radio. "Can" type motor, no ESC, but rather a servo operated on/off switch. All charged and ready to go.

2) Red and white Great Planes Cherokee 40 built, but no radio or motor installed. Never flown.

3) Transparent blue and white Ace R/C 4-60 complete and ready to fly with an Enya 60 4 stroke



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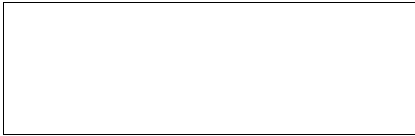


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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday – March 18
 • ACRC Meeting-On ZOOM

Thursday – April 15
 • ACRC Meeting-On ZOOM

Saturday – April 17
 • ACRC Fun Fly #1

Thursday – May 20`
 • ACRC Meeting-On ZOOM

