

THE CARRIER WAVE

PHANTOM FLYERS R/C CLUB



AMA #393 SAINT CHARLES, MO

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Newsletter of the Phantom Flyers R/C Club

<http://phantomflyersrc.com>

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Phantom Flyers R/C Club Meeting Minutes - 17 April 2023

Attendees: 8 club members were in attendance at the field which started at 6:32 pm. People I recorded were: Ed White, Mitch Galatioto, Dan Abel, Don Grzina, Don Bollinger, Mike Wallis, Jim West and Bill Reape. **New Members:** None in attendance.

Technical Session: Ed White was giving away some batteries from Al Bone's estate, but no tech session was held.

Secretary's Report: There was an issue with people not receiving their Carrier Wave, so March meeting minutes approval was postponed until the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Jose had car troubles and was not in attendance, so no report was provided.

Safety Officer's Report: We discussed Open House safety and reminded everyone that if you see any issues or violations, please point it out so that everyone remains safe.

Field Manager: Please let Don Grzina know if you are willing to mow this year so he can create the mowing list. The runway is in pretty good shape, but Don is looking into material to perform minor crack filling. In addition, Don found a roller to rent to smooth the field and needs a volunteer to help tow the 2 ton twin drum roller. A motion was made and passed to authorize \$250 to rent and transport the roller.

Ed brought up that we have not changed any of the locks on the container in some time and that one of his keys does not work on one of the container locks. He also stated the keys in the port-a-john need to be removed as keys to that lock may be in hands of people no longer in club and creates a risk to someone gaining access to the container. He also recommended removing the lock on the winch as it served no purpose. Ed will look into re-keying a few of the locks to increase container security.

Activities Report: Dan Abel provided the following.

Open House - April 29th at the field. Bill Reape volunteered to be the Contest Director. Ed White will provide the hold-harmless declaration form that all participants must sign at the event. A motion was made and approved to provide \$100 membership dues to anyone joining the club at the event.

GSLMA Report: No report was provided.

Old Business: Ed completed the club IRS filing for the year.

Julia, Ed's daughter, is helping fix the club website. THANK YOU, JULIA!

Ed received a note from Steve Mizes who is in charge of the St. Louis area club membership listings containing the e-mails of all local club members. We inadvertently let our ability to be on the list lapse and will work to correct the error based on club discussion and approval to provide our e-mails to Steve. The listing is for notification of upcoming events. We will provide only home e-mails.

Ed reviewed our field insurance policy and updated it to include the new mower and ensure we are covered for fire, theft, flooding, and vandalism. Our premium will not change.

New Business: Mitch let everyone know that indoor flying in Union, MO times changed to Mondays from 12 noon to 2 p.m. We were reminded that the Midwest Air Wing Swap Meet will be held on 6 May. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitch Galatioto, 2023 Secretary, Club Member, Board of Directors, Mowing Crew and actual R/C pilot!

https://www.faa.gov/uas/recreational_fliers/knowledge_test_updates/

<https://dronetrust.com/faa-trust/>

Safety Rules to Fly-By

(submitted by Mitch Galatioto)

A few excerpts from our Safety Rules. Always good to read through them on occasion to ensure we are all following them. If you need an electronic copy of them, please ask any officer. Thanks for keeping our field safe!

Safety Rule of the Month:

Safety Rule number 3:

While on the field, all flyers must have in their possession their current AMA License, Club Membership Card, and FCC License (if required).



GSLMA Report

supplied by Harold Weaver

GSLMA Meeting – Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Location: Kirkwood Community Center

Notes by: Jeffrey C. Young

Meeting called to order: 7:03pm

Roll Call – St. Louis Rocketry, Aero Pilots, Lafayette Escadrille, Phantom Flyers, and Whirlybirds present.

April minutes – Read, motion, second, pass, none opposed.

Treasures Report:

None

Buder Park Permits:

None

Old Business:

- Pavilion Roof in CL area - SLCPD is working on getting everything together and will let Fred know.
- FRIA – no status or updates currently.
- Swamp Clean up – seems to be working and helping drain water at creek and Maritz run-off.
- Fred met with McConnel at Buder: Motion to mill and fill cracks in CL and RC area \$4900, second, pass, none opposed.
- CL area run-up stand repair – cost approx. \$200. Motion, second, pass, none opposed.
- Thursday May 18th – Boy Scout Troop 387 demonstration at Buder 6:00PM. Motion for \$200 for hot dogs for the event, second, pass, none opposed.
- St. Louis Rocketry – Sky Lab 50th Anniversary fly was a great success and well attended.

New Business:

- Fred met with McConnel at Buder: Mill and fill cracks in CL and RC area \$4900. Motion, second, pass, none opposed.
- May 20 and 21 – CL Speed Contest.
- Phantom Flyers 2 Meter Contest – Sunday, May 7th.
- St. Louis Rocketry – Launch May 20 - 9:00 to 1:00.
- St. Louis Rocketry – Scout Event on Labor Day Weekend at Buder – TBD.

Meeting closed 7:41pm

Members Projects

Mitch, has an impressive hangar!

The Radian was recently aquired and the 6mm Depron 3D model (lower right corner) was built to fly indoors.



Events

Event Coordinator-Dan Abel

MAY	7	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY
JUNE	4	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
	24&25	65 TH ANNUAL PATTERN CONTEST	8:30	JIM WEST
JULY	2	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
	21&22	<u>PRE NATS PATTERN FLY</u>	10:00	ED/JIM
	29	EDF FLY IN		
AUGUST	6	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
	20	SWAP MEET	8:00	
SEPTEMBER	2	SCALE FLY-IN	10:00	DON G
	23	OPEN HOUSE	10:00	
OCTOBER	7	COMPETITION FUN FLY		
NOVEMBER		NONE		
DECEMBER	TBD	CHRISTMAS DINNER	TBD	ED W

Sailplane Contest Results

Flyers

Today (Sunday, 7 May) we held our second Phantoms 2meter glider contest at the Phantoms field. I am including the MVSA club on this email because so many MVSA members flew in the Phantoms event.

We had 8 Flyers and a couple of watchers. One of the watchers a Phantoms member named Wes liked what he saw and got with Rich R and joined MVSA.

Lift was spotty and often times hard to find. The winds were around 10 with some gusts. There were two hi start flyers and 6 electric flyers. A old Parkzone Radian flow by Bill A won the event. Bill picked it up at the MAW swap meet for \$25 just a couple of weeks ago. Bill has limited glider experience but that did not stop him from taking first place.

Kevin C had a original design V tail glider with a Radian wing on a laser cut balsa fuse. It glided like a champ. Kevin did experience some ruddervator flutter on one flight but I am sure he will remedy that problem.

5 rounds were flown.

The results are below.

1. Bill A
2. Larry A
3. Don G
4. Robert S
5. Kevin C
6. Ed W
7. Jan J
8. Rich R

I think the guys had fun. We will hold another contest in June on the first Sunday.

Larry A

CD





Additional photos can be found here: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjACWsq>

2023 Phantom Flyers RC Club Flying Site Mowing & Task Schedule

Weekend dates shown are Friday dates.

It is expected the mowing will occur within five days of the scheduled date.

The bold name is the team captain, responsible for scheduling the team.

Contact your team to arrange mutual date and time.

Coordinate container access with one of the following people prior to mowing.

Don Grzina (636) 233-0193, Ed White (636) 219-2255,

Mitch Galatioto (636) 734-6322

Report any equipment or grounds problems to any club officer.

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MOW THE SCHEDULED WEEK,
IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO SWAP WITH A REPLACEMENT.**

April				
7 *1	14	21	28 *2	
	Don Grzina	Ed White	Don Grzina	
	Jose Espinosa	Kevin Cox	Bill Ahrens	
	Jack Buydos		Jack Buydos	
May				
5 *1	12	19	26	
	Mitch Galatioto	Mitch Galatioto	Mitch Galatioto	
	Don Grzina	Larry Anderson	Willie Hinnah	
		Paul White	Jan Jansen	
June				
2 *1	9	16	23 *3	30
Richard Jenkins	Mike Mudd	Brad Young	Larry Anderson	Jose Espinosa
John Klein	Dan Sundman	Bill Ahrens	Kevin Cox	Willie Hinnah
William McMenamy	Jim West	Jim Alberico	Paul White	Jan Jansen
July				
7 *1	14	21 *4	28 *5	
Jim Alberico	William McMenamy	Jim West	Bill Ahrens	
Richard Jenkins	Mike Mudd	Ed White	Jim Alberico	
John Klein	Dan Sundman	Brad Young	Larry Anderson	
August				
4 *1	11	18	25	
Jack Buydos	Jose Espinosa	Jan Janson	William McMenamy	
Kevin Cox	Mitch Galatioto	Richard Jenkins	Mike Mudd	
Paul White	Willie Hinnah	John Kein	Dan Sundman	
September				
1 *1 *6	8	15	22 *2	29
Jim West	Bill Ahrens	Jack Buydos	Jose Espinosa	Willie Hinnah
Ed White	Jim Alberico	Kevin Cox	Mitch Galatioto	Jan Janson
Brad Young	Larry Anderson	Paul White	Don Grzina	Richard Jenkins
October				
6 *1 *7	13	20	27	
John Kein	Dan Sundman			
William McMenamy	Jim West			
Mike Mudd	Ed White			

***Notes: Additional volunteers for field prep will be greatly appreciated.**

*1: Gliders Sunday. *2: Open House Saturday *3: Pattern Contest Friday – Sunday *4 Pre-NATS Flyin Friday -Saturday
*5: EDF Fly-in Saturday *6: Scale Fly-in Saturday *7 Comp Fun Fly Saturday

2023 Buder Park Event calendar

Greater St Louis Modeling
Association
www.gslma.com



Rockets

April 1	We are seriously launching some rockets!
April 30	Launch Day
May 27	Launch Day
June 24	Launch Day
July 30	Launch Day
Aug 12	All Buder Park Rockets Fly Day
Sept 30	Launch Day
Oct 28	3 rd Annual Spooktacular Launch

Radio Control

May 21	High Wing Day
June 9-11	Whirlybirds Fun Fly (not confirmed yet)
June 24	BBQ / Fun Fly
July 15	Jet Day
Aug 12	All Buder Park RC Fun Fly
Oct 21	Chili Cook off – Fun Fly – Swap Meet

Control Line

Feb 26	ISO-O-LATED CL Stunt & Speed
May 20-21	Midwest CL Speed
June 3	Spirit of St Louis CL Fun Fly
Aug 12	All Buder Park CL Fun Fly
Sept 16-17	Broken Arrow Stunt & Scale Contest
Sept 28-29	USA F2A World Cup (CL Speed)
Sept 30-Oct 1	Canada F2A World Cup (CL Speed).
Oct 7-8	Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon
Oct 28	Turkey Shoot (Fast, Slow, scramble, Balloon Bust)

Quad / Drone

Aug 12	All Buder Park Fun Fly
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Clubs / Groups flying at Buder

Lafayette Esquadrielle

LafayetteEsquadrielleCL.Wordpress.com



St. Louis Rocketry Association
Stlouisrocketry.com



STL Aeropilots

stlouisaeropilots.org

Whirlybirds

stlouiswhirlybirds.com

Don't forget to renew your membership!!

https://www.phantomflyersrc.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/phantomflyers_membershipform-fillable.pdf



<http://phantomflyersrc.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Phantom-Flyers-RC-Club-139791882811519/>

Check there for the back issues of the Carrier Wave Newsletter, mowing schedule, event calendar and club roster/contact information (handy for mowing).

Articles, pictures and tech notes for publishing in the Carrier Wave are always appreciated. Let us know what you are building, repairing or flying!

Send them to:

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