

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 - 20 November 2023

Attendees: 8 club members were in attendance which started at 7:09 pm. People I recorded were: Ed White, Mitch Galatioto, Jose Espinosa, Harold Weaver, Dan Abel, Jan Jansen, Bill Reape, and Don Grzina.

New Members: None in attendance.

Technical Session: No Technical Session was performed.

Secretary's Report: The October minutes were approved as written. As reported in last month's minutes, in order to pay club dues via PayPal, people will have to pay \$155.93. The extra \$5.93 is to cover the cost of using PayPal. Ed has figured out how to modify the on-line application form to add this information.

Treasurer's Report: Jose reported the club is performing well financially. 2024 dues money is starting to be received with 12 members renewing so far.

Safety Officer's Report: No report was provided. Please continue to be SAFE as safety is everyone's job! I pointed out that the runway continues to move when my airplanes approach it, which is inherently unsafe for my planes. Ed agreed to stake the runway down to improve the safety of my aircraft, thanks Ed!

Field Manager: Don Grzina stated the mowers have been power washed, blades replaced, oil and filters changed, fuel stabilized, and the mowers placed on blocks in case the tires go flat over the winter. He rented a 12' trailer to carry the mowers to the car wash, but the trailer was a foot too short to carry both mowers. The effort cost \$175. He also determined that a 3" paint scraper works better than the crow bar currently used. He will put a scraper in the container for all of us to use. Lessons learned from this effort were to rent a shorter trailer and rent from a source closer to the field. Thanks to Don for performing this task and the many, many, many, others he does throughout each and every year!!!!

Activities Report: Ed reported the Christmas Party will be held at JJ's in O'Fallon on Friday, December 1st at 6:00. He will send an e-mail reminder to the club. 17 people were signed up so far to attend! It will be a great event, so please plan to attend! The January 1st Snow Fly will be CD'd by Ed White and will start at around 12:00. A flyer/announcement to the club is forthcoming.

GSLMA Report: Harold Weaver reported the Parks Department has taken over fee collection and maintenance of Buder Park. In addition to yearly fees, they may implement daily fees for one time use people. GSLMA has frozen their Buder Park field funding until the Parks Department provides details on how this new way of maintaining Buder Park will work which may include GSLMA having to pay to utilize the field. More to come on this in the future.

Old Business: Ed renewed our website. The cheapest cost was \$359.64 for 3 years. A motion was made and approved to pay the fee and reimburse Ed White.

A change was recommended to the By-Laws to increase the Petty Cash the Club President can authorize from \$100 to \$250 to provide better flexibility of managing the club's day to day expenses. Ed also found a discrepancy between the By-Laws and the Membership Application form on the section that states if a new member pays their dues post a certain date, the following year's membership is included. Form says July 1st, By-Laws say September 1st. The By-Law changes mentioned above will include removal of this date. Ed will send a note explaining the recommended changes and a vote will occur at a future club meeting.

New Business: Officer Elections were closed and held. The following personnel were approved to be your 2024 officers. President: Ed White; Vice President: Don Grzina; Secretary: Bill Reape; Treasurer: Jose Espinosa and Board of Directors Ed White and Mitch Galatioto. Thanks to all for volunteering and serving!

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted for the final time,
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/>

GSLMA Report

Buder Park

(via Harold Weaver)

Attached are the minutes from the Nov and Dec GSLMA meetings. As you can see nothing much happened except a lot of discussion about how the St Louis County Parks Department are really going to deal with being in complete control of Buder Park and how it is going to affect GSLMA and the people who want to fly there. GSLMA is continuing to meet with the Park Department to try to find out. Future GSLMA meetings are still going to be held each month of 2024 via Zoom meetings which I am setting up for them. In the meantime, GSLMA will not collect or spend any money and existing funds are planned to be put in an interest collecting account.

All,

Final GSLMA Meeting at KCC this Tuesday 7:00pm.

Discuss upcoming meeting with SLCPD and any other items on Thursday.

See attached for minutes from previous meeting.

Take care and be safe.

It's been a pleasure to be part of this for so many years and I hope we can figure out the changes that will be occurring in the future.

Jeffrey C. Young

GSLMA Secretary

GSLMA Meeting – November 7, 2023

Location: Kirkwood Community Center

Notes by: Jeffrey C. Young

Meeting called to order: 7:01pm

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

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

Treasures Report:
None

Buder Park Permits:
Permits to August 15, 2023: 185

Old Business:

- Meeting with SLCPD at Buder – Fred C. read letter from Bonnie on changes that will occur at Buder Park (see below for email from Bonnie). Discuss read letter. Main concerns: Yearly fee? Cost to Rent RC Area? Cost to Rent CL Area? Define what requires rental? Define a special event? Who do you contact for repairs? Define who can rent RC area? How much time required to rent for an event?
- Refund any 2024 permits issued.
- Do not reserve rooms at KCC in January? Motion, second, passed, none opposed. Move to virtual meetings in 2024.
- Retain current board as stands. Motion, second, pass, none opposed.

New Business:

- None.

Meeting closed 8:00pm

GSLMA Meeting – December 5, 2023

Location: Kirkwood Community Center

Notes by: Jeffrey C. Young

Meeting called to order: 7:06pm

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

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

Treasures Report:
None

Buder Park Permits:
Permits to August 15, 2023: 185

Old Business:

- Meeting with SLCPD on Thursday December 7 at Queeny Park 1:30PM. They have answered some of the questions asked per an email Fred sent. We will have a list of questions ready for meeting.
- Contact Dave to make sure 2024 permits are not issued.

New Business:

- None.

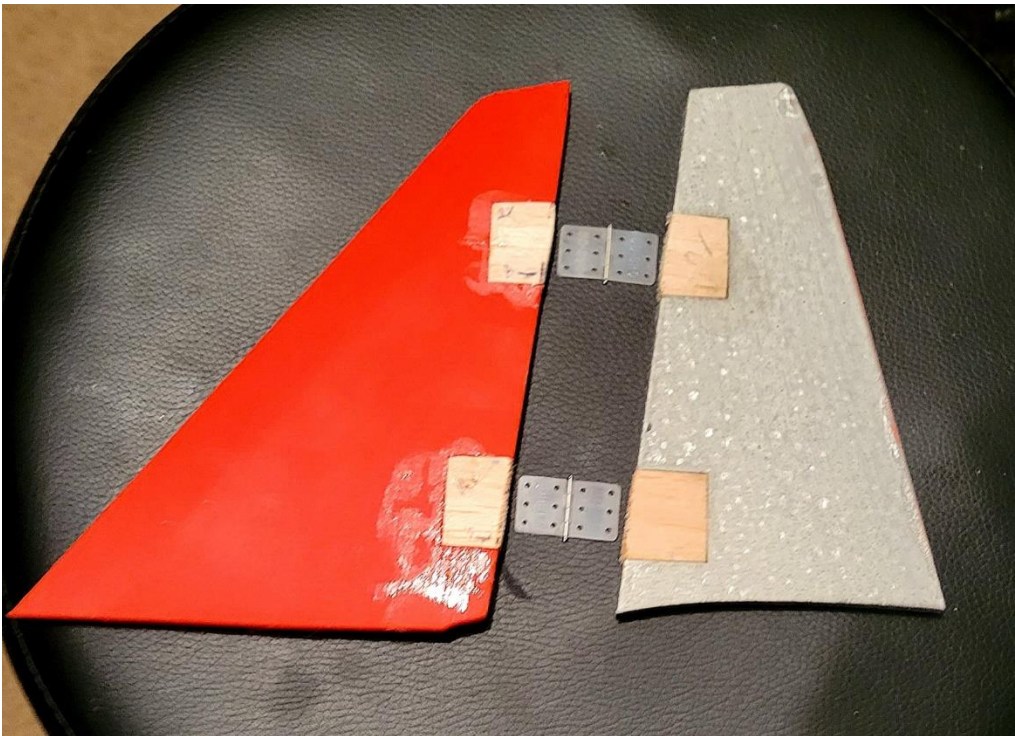
Meeting closed 7:53pm

Members Projects/Tech Session

Don is logging his December flight in!



Jose is working on his 3D printed glider. Here is his vertical tail assembly.



Events

Looks like the annual Christmas Dinner was well attended. Thanks for the photo Mitch!



***January 1, 2024
Phantom Flyers RC
Annual Snow Fly***

***Start Time: Noon
Something warm
will be provided***



Don't forget to renew your membership!!

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



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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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