

The Carrier Wave



PHANTOM FLYERS ***R/C CLUB***



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Phantom Flyers R/C Club Newsletter

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From the desk of the Prez

Note from the Club President

At the August Club meeting we will take a vote to increase Membership dues from \$150 to \$175. This is necessary to cover increasing operating costs and a decline in membership. An email has been sent to all members further discussing this.

At the August Club Meeting we will take a vote to increase the Maintenance budget by an additional \$600 to cover the cost of recent repairs to the EXmark mower and provide a small cushion in case future repairs are needed. We have enough in savings to cover the cost.

Thanks to the membership for approving much needed repairs to the runway. A contract has been awarded to Asphalt Services. Don Grzina will coordinate the repair work. A club member who wishes to remain anonymous has loaned the club the funds so we can expedite the repair work. We are now accepting donations to cover the cost. An email has been sent to all members addressing this.

A Membership Committee has been formed to come with ideas/suggestions to increase and maintain membership. Your input as a club member would be helpful.

Thank You
Jim West

Club Events

Club Meeting: The next club meeting is scheduled for Aug 17 at the field 6:30pm.
Glider contest to continue through October on first Sunday of the month.
Open House scheduled TBD.
Phantom Flyers Scale Fly-in Aug 22.

Phantom Flyers RC Club Meeting Phantom Flyers RC Club Meeting Minutes July 20, 2026

Attendees: The meeting was called to order by President, Jim West at 6:33 PM at the field. Members present were: Jack Buydos, Kevin Cox, Jose Espinoza, Don Grzina, Jan Jansen, Jim West, Ed White

Tech Session: No Tech Session

Secretary's Report: The June meeting minutes were published in the Carrier Wave. It incorrectly gave the date for the Scale Fly-In as August 13. The correct date is August 22. The June Secretary's report was accepted as amended. We currently have 37 members.

Treasurer's report: There were expenses of \$163 paid. The bank balance stands at \$11,957. **The club operating budget for 2026 was reviewed and discussed by the members present and approved.**

As a practice we do not publish the detailed budget and actuals in the Carrier Wave because the Carrier Wave is available to non-members. ***Be aware, the detailed budget and actuals data is always available to any current member at any time upon request (send a simple email request to the President, Treasurer or Secretary).***

Safety Report: No issues raised

Field Managers Report: Both mowers are fully operational. It was reported that the Kabota was difficult to start and quite unexpectedly. Notify Don if you need reimbursement for filling the fuel jugs. The Meet Me in St Louis Pattern Fly-In. Starts on Thurs afternoon so we will need to mow Wednesday or Thursday morning.

Activities Report: The fourth 2m glider contest "scheduled" for July 11 (to avoid the July 4 holiday weekend) became the First glider contest when it wasn't cancelled for weather. The Scale Fly-in is scheduled for August 22.

GSLMA Report: Nothing new to report.

Old Business : The officers and Board of Directors all recommend that the runway repair work proceed based on one of the bids that were received. The club members, which represented a quorum, voted unanimously to proceed with the repairs. Because of the size of the expenditure it was decided to let all club members that chose to voice their opinion.

New Business : Because of the importance of increasing membership, President Jim West formed a committee to look for ways of increasing membership. Vice President Jan Jansen volunteered to chair this committee. Kevin Cox and Jack Buydos volunteered for the committee and others will be solicited.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Ed White, Club Secretary

Name the Plane

Ed White correctly identified the July Name the Plane as an NC-4.

Now for the August name the plane.



Correct answer will be revealed by Don next month. As before, anyone else sending in a correct answer (as decided by Don) will receive guaranteed respect at their next visit to the flying field.
(Max duration 5 minutes)

Send your answers to NameThatPlane@phantomflyersrc.com



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Phantom Flyers Scale Fly-in August 22, 10:00 Scale Aviation Fly-in

Get out your models of full size aircraft to celebrate your love of aviation. Any model welcome, RTF, ARF, kit, or scratch built. Warbird, civilian, modern or classic. Bring them out, show 'em off. No contest this year, just a friendly get together. Open to all AMA members.

