

UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 30th October 1st MTRCCA Fall Fly-In (Tullahoma Airport)
- October 6th Membership Meeting (Club Field)
- October 16th Toys-for-Tots Fun Fly (Club Field)

See www.mprcf.com's calendar page for more information.

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September Meeting Minutes

The September Meeting was held at the club field on Thursday, September 1st. The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by President Jim Powers. There were approximately 17 members present. The August Minutes and the August Treasurer's Report were read and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. <u>Generator</u>: Jim Powers reported that a 2000 watt Honda generator and connector cord had been purchased by Mike Dunphy and Myron Noyce.
- 2. <u>Shelter Expansion:</u> After some discussion the members decided to expand the current structure with a wood structure addition and not with a metal carport as voted upon at the

previous meeting. It was agreed that the club members would erect the shelter either in whole or in part, based upon the recommendation of the Building Committee. A Building Committee was appointed consisting of Sebastian Krauss (Chairman), Jim Powers and Mike Dunphy. Jim Powers advised that Tim Henderson, a local contractor and MPRCF member, could secure all of the materials needed for the shelter expansion for about \$2,000 (his cost). A motion was made and approved to add \$1,000 to the existing \$2,000 budget already approved to cover any additional costs that might arise.

- 3. MTRCCA Fall Fly-In: Members were reminded about this upcoming event, to be held Friday afternoon and all day Saturday, September 30-October 1. The club will be doing the cooking. Volunteers are being solicited to man the concession stand both days of the event and to help with the setup on Friday. Contact Jim Palmer if you can volunteer. As in the past, any MPRCF member who attends this event will be asked to spend at least a little time working concessions. All net proceeds will remain with the club.
- 4. <u>Big Birds Over The 'Boro Fly-In:</u> A report was given on this event by Jim Powers. Despite the rain, everyone seemed to have a good time and the club even made a little money.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. <u>Toys-For-Tot's Fun Fly:</u> The date for this annual MPRCF fundraiser for the Toys-For-Tots charity is set for Sunday, October 16, 2011. Further discussion was deferred to next month's meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm.

President Powers' Publishing's

Hello everyone! I hope that you are all doing well. This month I would like to devote my comments to Paul Allen. As you all know Paul passed away earlier this month. He will be truly missed by everyone in the club. I can't think of anyone who was more liked than Paul. Though I can't remember the first time that I met Paul, I do recall that within a few minutes of meeting him that we were talking like we were lifelong friends. He was like that with everyone. And Paul was always there when someone needed help at the field with something. He would draw from his many years of experience in aero modeling and come up with a solution to

almost any problem. I remember a time when my 100cc engine was running bad and Paul, always thinking outside of the box, suggested that I run a fuel line from the carburetor to the outside of the fuselage to pick up clean air. His suggestion seemed to make sense, but the engine quit on the next flight because of this fix. We both had a real good laugh about it afterwards. But Paul didn't give up. He just kept coming up with ideas until we got it right. He never quit. Your problem was his problem until it got resolved.

Paul liked everything about radio control airplanes. From the Perry Swap Meet to the Joe Nall Fly-In to Top Gun, Paul was there. He was the one that got the rest of us moving and didn't let us sit on our duffs.

When it came to helping the club we could always count on Paul showing up to help. I never had to ask him if he was going to be there, only what time he was coming out. I can't remember a swap meet or fly-in without Paul. At club work days he was the first one there and the last one to leave.

If you think I'm going to miss Paul you're right; but, I won't be the only one. As I said before, Paul was hands down the best liked member in our club. Paul was a flying buddy and fellow modeler, but most of all a friend. Good-bye buddy. May every landing be perfect as you fly with the angels. You will be deeply missed.

The weather has been perfect for flying and we have seen a lot of activity at the field. Please remember to follow safety procedures. Troy Ball, our Safety Coordinator has been very busy with work and hasn't been able to make it to the field lately. Because of the importance of this position the Board, at our last Board meeting, appointed Jim Palmer replace Troy as Safety Coordinator. Jim has many years of experience in radio control and serves as Safety Officer for the Association at their fly-ins. Jim will be making sure everyone is following the MPRCF and AMA rules. Please don't get upset if Jim points out that you are doing something wrong. We are not trying to make anyone mad. We're just trying to make our field a safe place for everyone to fly. Troy, we miss you and hope to see you back out flying soon. I would also like to thank you for your years of service to the club.

The Association's Fall Fly-in is coming up at the end of this month. It will be held on Friday, September 30th and Saturday, October 1st at the Tullahoma Regional Airport. There will be a dinner at the Beechcraft Heritage Museum Saturday night that includes a tour of the Museum. The cost of the dinner and tour is \$35 and is a great deal. I will be there and hope to see others from our club there too. We have a great opportunity to bring in some money for our club at this event. We will be doing the cooking and the club will keep all of the profits. Myron will be heading things up and I intend to help, but we can't do it all ourselves. We need all the help that we can get setting up on Friday, cooking and serving on Friday and Saturday,

and cleaning up and tearing down on Saturday. I will be sending out a flyer within the next couple of days so make plans to come; it should be fun.

It's time to nominate officers for 2012. We will appoint a Nominating Committee at our next meeting. Nominations will be closed at the end of the November meeting and voting results will be announced at our December meeting. If you would like to run for office or would like to nominate someone else for a position, you may do so at our next two meetings or you can contact any member of the Nominating Committee. An e-mail will go out after the next meeting to let everyone know who is on the Nominating Committee.

That's all I have for this month. So charge your batteries and let's go flying.

Jim Powers President, MPRCF



