



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 7<sup>th</sup> – Membership Meeting (Club Field)
- August 4<sup>th</sup> – Membership Meeting (Club Field)
- August 6<sup>th</sup> – Big Birds Over The ‘Boro Giant Scale Fly-In (Club Field)

See [www.mprcf.com](http://www.mprcf.com)'s calendar page for more information.

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## June Meeting Minutes

The June Meeting was held at the club field on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President Jim Powers. There were approximately 20 members present. The May Minutes and the May Treasurer's Report were read and accepted.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Field Maintenance Day: Thanks were given to all who helped with the field maintenance. It was noted that the sealing of the runway would be completed at a later date when the company who sealed it last year had the time.
2. Flag Pole: The new pole and flag was used for the first time at the Electric Jet Fly-In, and it made quite a positive impression. Thank you James Ridley for a job well-done on purchasing and installing the flag pole.
3. Electric Jet Fly-In and Night Fly: A report was given by Dan Wandell on the Electric Jet Fly-In and Night Fly. The turn-out for this event was good and the club generated a little profit too. Dan thanked all of the club members who volunteered to help with the event

and thanked those members who joined in on the flying fun. To increase participation, Dan suggested that this event be expanded to include all electric aircraft and not just jet types. Dan also suggested that the night-fly be a separate event in the future since a day and night event together was very taxing on the volunteers.

4. MTRCCA Spring Fellowship Fly-In: Jim reported that due to bad weather, the Association's Fly-In was not formally held on the rain-date, although there was still some flying going on at the Cedar Hill flying site.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Safety/Field Access: Dan Wandell mentioned that members were frequently not posting their membership cards on the frequency board as required by the club's safety code. In addition to frequency control, this is the method that we use to ensure that a pilot has a current AMA membership. All members were asked to comply. Members were also reminded to avoid flying over Jefferson Pike and were reminded not to share the gate combination with others. Members were also asked to refrain from flying outside of the pilot stations when on the main runway. This issue was brought up due to the potential that an aircraft landing or taking off might strike a pilot who is standing close to the runway edge.
2. Charge Stations: For safety purposes, it was agreed that a fuse would be placed between the batteries and the charge terminals on both circuits. One of our newest members, Don Perry, volunteered to install these fuses.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm.

## **President Powers' Pronouncements**

Well, summer is here and although it has been hot, hold on it's going to get hotter. This past weekend was the Music City Helicopter Championships helicopter contest hosted each year by Tim DiPeri. This was the third year that the event has been held at our field and the 17<sup>th</sup> year overall that the event has been held. Everyone that came out to watch had a good time and saw some of the world's best helicopter pilots compete in pattern helicopter flying. We even had one of our own members, Frank Martin, compete in the sportsman class. He did a great job with his T-Rex 500 electric. Frank moved here from California to fly for Taylor Swift. We're glad to have Frank and his son Justin as two of our newest members. There have been two or three other members that said that they want to enter next year. I know that helicopters are not for everyone, but if you came out and watched you just might be surprised how much you would enjoy this event. For me, it's not whether they're helicopters or airplanes, 3D or pattern, it's getting the chance to watch some of the best pilots in the world compete.

The MPRCF Big Birds Over The 'Boro Fly-In is coming up on Saturday Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>. So get your big planes ready and let's have a great day of flying. I am the CD of this event again this year and I will try and make it fun for everyone. Even if you don't fly big planes come out and watch and enjoy some great food.


From now until October there will be a lot of fly-ins in the mid-state area. They can be a lot of fun and it's a great way to meet other flyers from local clubs. So try and make some time to attend some of these fly-ins, you'll be glad you did.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of June there was a surprise birthday party for me at the field. I want to thank everyone who came out and made it a special day for me. A lot of people have told me they would have liked to have been there but because of it being a weekday they just couldn't make it. I guess some of you have jobs and have to work...I remember how that was. I would like to give a special thanks to my wife Linda and daughter Cassie, Dan Wandell and Myron Noyce and everyone else that helped make this a special day for me.

Our next meeting will be at the field on Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. We will be cooking hot dogs and hamburgers. Bring your own drinks. I was asked by one of our members if they could bring a dish out for the meeting. That would be great. If anyone wants to bring something you are more than welcome. At this meeting we will need to start getting things in line for the Giant Scale event and yes, volunteers will be needed for the event.

Well that's going to do it for this month, get charged up and let's go flying.

Jim Powers  
President MPRCF

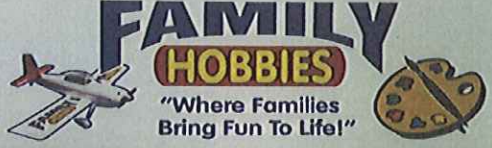


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