



## ***UPCOMING EVENTS***

- April 1<sup>st</sup> – Club Meeting

### ***March Meeting Minutes***

The March 2010 meeting was called to order by president Jim Powers with 12 members and 5 officers present. Jeremy Woodside read the minutes from the last meeting and Dan Wandell presented the treasures report, both were accepted as read.

In old business Jim explained that the swap meet was cancelled because of the lack of tables being rented. With just over a week to go until the swap meet the club had only received payment for 13 tables. The concern was that a poor showing would hurt attendance at future swap meets. It was decided by those in attendance that the DX-7 radio, that was purchased from Pac's to be raffled at the swap meet, would be raffled at a future event and that we would start selling tickets at the April 1st. meeting.

Dan Wandell reported that he had purchased solar panels as discussed at the previous meeting, Jeremy Woodside, who is in charge of the project, said that installation of the solar panels would start when the weather warms up.

Jim said that a date hasn't been set yet for the spring helicopter fun fly and that he would get together with Robert Hughes to finalize a date before the next meeting.

In new business, Steve Petty (field maintenance) suggested that we strongly consider getting a couple loads of gravel for the road leading to the field. Jeremy Woodside said he would come out with his tractor and grade the road but suggested we wait until the rainy season is over, sometime around the first of May. The condition of the runway was also talked about. Jim brought up that over the last couple of years we have only done minor patching and that more needs to be done. Steve brought up the need to seal the runway, but suggested we wait until around June when the weather is warmer. Dan Wandell suggested we might want to set up a date for a field maintenance day. It was decided to wait until our next meeting to finalize a date.

Because of other commitments that prevent him from attending our meetings, Tim Lavender had ask Greg Doe to bring up the possibility of having an electric jet fun fly. Greg stated he didn't want to take up an entire day, but maybe just a few hours one Saturday to focus on electric jets. It was suggested that we ask Hobby Lobby to attend and see if they could have one of their pilots demonstrate some of the jets that they sell. Jim ask Greg to get together with Tim and come up with a date. It was also suggested that we could have food available for the event.

Greg Doe told us that he had been saving old glow plugs for over 30 years and he decided to see what they might be worth. After trying to sell them as scrap, which didn't work, he went through the pain staking task of removing the platinum elements. He sent the elements in and received a check for just over \$13.00. His suggestion was to just through away your old glow plugs, they aren't worth the work.

Motion was made and second to adjourned.



## *President's Comments*

Ok, we have been waiting for some warm weather and it is finally here. The cold, rain and wind haven't left us yet but we have seen some good flying days. Along with the warmer weather comes complaints from the guy across the street, about us flying over his house. I was driving down Jefferson Pike the other day and saw at least 15 birds over his house, I'm sure some of them left droppings for him to remember, I wonder who he complains to about the birds. Like it or not we must not fly over Jefferson Pike. I am asking for everyone's help in policing this matter. Not only do we not want confrontations with the neighbors but we also want to be safe. If your at the field and see someone flying over the road, tell them. If someone tells you that you were flying over the road, thank them and try to not do it again. I know we can do a better job if we try.

We will be setting up a day for field maintenance at the April 1st. meeting. The runway needs a lot of work this year and we can use help and suggestions on the best way to make repairs. In the past we have used some patch material that hasn't worked all that well, if anyone knows of a better material to use please let me or one of the other officers know.

That's going to do it for this month, I've been under the weather but hope to be felling better soon. Don't forget the April 1st meeting this Thursday. See Ya there.

Jim Powers  
President MPRCF

