



UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 2nd – Club Meeting (Airport Terminal)
- April 25th – Fellowship Fly-In

March Meeting Minutes

President Jim Powers called the February Meeting to order with 17 members and 4 Board Members present. Vice President, Jeremy Woodside read the Minutes from the February Meeting. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Minutes as read. Jeremy Woodside presented the Treasurer's report. Motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. In old business, Matt McKnight reported on Swap Meet logistics. He presented table layouts and finalized plans for setup and operation. In other old business, the field work day to be held on March 21, 2009 was discussed. Breakfast will be provided to all volunteers. Work will begin around 9 AM. Volunteers who will be working the Fellowship Fly-In were encouraged to attend the Association Meeting at our field after the Swap Meet on March 14th. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

President's Comments

March is fading and April is closing fast, the weather is warming up and it's time for yard work and honey-does. March was a very good month for M.P.R.C.F., we had one of our best swap meets ever and our field maintenance day was a great success with over 20 members coming out to help. I want to thank everyone that participated we accomplished much more than I thought we could and the field is starting to look good. The fellowship fly in that we are hosting on April 25th is just around the corner and all though we still have some work to do to get ready we are in good shape. So as my buddy Jeremy says the heck with all that let's just go flying, come on Pepper (Pepper is Jeremy's dog).

If you have ever wondered why you got into this hobby just come out to the field on a nice Sunday afternoon and enjoy the fun and excitement that is shared by everyone. It's not just about flying, we can always do that, it's about sharing time with friends we've made over the years and meeting new friends, you can also hear some of the wildest stories ever told and if it stayed light a little longer we could have most of the worlds problems solved in just one afternoon. Pepper just sits and listens. I'll bet she has some good stories to share with her dog buddies. Pepper, don't you whiz on those wheel pants. I just thought of another reason to go flying, so you and the dog can have an excuse to get out of the house while the wife stays home and slaves over a hot stove cooking your dinner (don't let the wife read this). But seriously the thing I notice the most are members sharing their experiences and helping new members that are just getting started in this hobby, try going over setting up a new plane with someone just starting and you will remember how overwhelming it can seem at first. But then when your standing there flying that new plane



and everyone is commenting about how well it fly's and what a good job you have done it all seems worth it. Come on Pepper it's getting late and dinner is getting cold. .

Well that's it for this month Jeremy and Pepper are heading home but I know his wife hasn't been cooking she has plans for him to take her out for dinner -- sometimes you just can't win, come on Pepper.

--Jim Powers
President M.P.R.C.F.

The Flyer's Corner

Because there are so many things to cover I decided to put them here instead of the presidents comments. First of all let's talk about new planes we will be seeing at the field this year. Mike Young has three news planes a QQ Pitts biplane, a DR Hobbies Extra 330 (with a great custom paint job), and a Gee Bee model Y. Mike flew the Pitts this past Sunday and it flew great, it is the best flying biplanes I've ever seen. The other two are ready and waiting for good weather. On a positive note Mike had been experiencing some radio problems last year but everything seems fine now. Ralph Foll has two new Carden kits built and ready, an Edge 540 40% and a 40% Extra 330 midwing, they look great and as we have come to know if their built by Ralph they will fly great. Ralph is just finishing a Carden Cap 232 and has ordered a new Carden Ultimate biplane. Ralph is one of Carden Aircraft's custom builders and without question the best I've ever seen. Robert Brown had a slight mishap and lost his profile but he has a new U Can Do and I'm sure we will be seeing it at the field soon. Keep up the good work Robert. Tom Nelson was at the field the other day and said his Extra 300 that he lost last year, due a problem with the ailerons, is primed and ready to paint. Tom has made some changes to the airframe and I cant wait to see how it looks, knowing Tom it will be one of a kind. Jerry Miller has a new Hanger 9 P-51 that he is working on I understand he is putting a Saito 180 in it so it should be a great flying plane also. Keefe Lemmon has bought John Lake's Showtime, and after watching him fly it I could tell he is going to be one of the better flyers at the field. Keep her flying Keefe and thanks for the help on the runway during field maintenance. Rick Keisler bought a plane at our swap meet took it home put a receiver in it then went flying that afternoon. There was a slight drizzle but that didn't stop Rick and he takes it flying every time the weather cooperates. I've not seen anyone have more fun with a plane than Rick has with this one. He leaves the field with a smile on his face every time he fly's it. Jeremy Woodside has reworked the ailerons on his 40% Carden Edge 540 and from what I've seen it's flying better that ever. Bill Day and Carl Brogunier are working together with Greg Garrison of Cookeville, G&L Hobbies, to bring some of the biggest ARFs I've ever seen to market. They have a 52% Ultimate and a 50% extra 330 The Ultimate sells for under \$1700 and the extra is \$2250.00, there is no way you could build and cover a plane this size for that price. The workmanship is as good as I've seen in any ARF. If you've ever wanted a big airplane see Bill, Carl or Greg. The more I see these planes the more I want one. They had the best display at the Perry swap meet, everyone there was talking about their planes and what a great deal they were. If we're lucky they will have one ready to fly at our fellowship fly in on April 25th. Maybe we could talk them into doing a noon-time demo. Troy Ball got a great deal on a Great Planes Matt Chapman Cap 35% at the Perry swap meet. He hasn't got an engine yet but he informed me that he is recovering the plane, he wants to make it his own. This will be Troy's first 100 cc size plane and I think he will do just fine, he has been at the field all winter honing his skills. As you all know I've been working on a new 40% Carden Extra 260 which is being painted by Michael Young's painter. I just got the fuselage back and it looks great so I can get started with getting everything set up. I hope to have it ready for



the fellowship fly in if time permits. As everyone that was at the field this past Sunday knows I crashed my helicopter due to pilot error. But I think a new and better heli is in the works. If you haven't been to Pac Hobbies lately they have new ARFs in stock from slow fliers to 3D aerobatic planes and all kinds of helicopters and parts for everything. Check them out if they are temporarily out of stock they can get it in just a couple of days. Maureen is a whiz with the computer so if there is a part your having a hard time finding stop by and see her if it can be found she will find it.

I know I didn't cover everyone and all the new and rebuilt planes we will be seeing at the field this year so if you have something let me know and I'll get it in next month.

So long for this month fly fast and land soft.

