

KCRC

KNOX COUNTY RADIO CONTROL

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From the Hangar

Jerel Zarestky

At the November meeting we accepted nominations for the 2003 club officer elections to be held at the December meeting. We managed to get some good new candidates on the list plus all the incumbents are running again this year. Hopefully the slate of candidates will meet with the club's approval. I personally offered to run again since there were a few loose ends that I didn't seem to get around to doing this year that I'd like to take care of. Also, the last few months of activities; airshow, float-fly, fun-fly, picnic and flea-market seemed to make us all forget about the "work" activities of earlier in the year (lease, incorporation, sound rule).

As per the new club by-laws, voting is possible by mail, electronically over the web and of course, in person at the December meeting. This is the trial run of this procedure and we'll see how it goes... no "hanging chads", I hope. The URL for the online voting form is;
<http://www.rcpattern.net/kcrcvotingform.htm>
I'm working on some changes to the club web site so if you have any suggestions for improvements or things you'd like to see, please email them to me at jerzee4@yahoo.com.

Also, in the next couple of weeks I'll be changing internet providers so the URL for the KCRC site will change. I'll email this information to all those I have email addresses.

This brings up another point; we would like to have email addresses for all club members that wish to receive this kind of notification. I think I have about 52 email addresses on my personal list of KCRC'ers.

Since it's close to dues paying time, make sure that when you pay your dues, we have your current email address (as well as home address, phone number and AMA number). There is another item I've seen other clubs keep on their membership list; member transmitter frequencies. This would make it possible to keep track of how many people are on each frequency and aid in selecting a "clear" channel when buying a new system.

The December meeting promises to be an interesting one. First of all there's the vote for club officers. The dues will also be set at the December meeting. The proposed dues schedule is elsewhere in the newsletter. The location for the January banquet will be chosen. If you have a favorite place you think might be appropriate, get

information on how many people they will seat, cost per person (drink or gratuity included?), other charges, if they're available for January 14, from 6:00 until 9:00-10:00 and bring that information to the meeting.

Finally, it was decided to have a flea-market before the meeting. The room is available to us starting at 6:00 pm (with some rearrangement of furniture). Bring your odds and ends that didn't sell at the field, to the meeting for sale in the meeting room ... or in the parking lot (if you have a huge amount of stuff or large items). We'll cut things off at 7:15-7:30 to start the meeting.
See you at the field.. brrr!



Happy Holidays

Here it is, Christmas time, again! Seems like it was only yesterday that I took down my outside lights and now it is time to put them back up.

I just want to take this opportunity to wish all the members and families of KCRC a great and Glorious Holiday Season and my personal prayer that everyone has all the happiness in the coming year that he can stand.....(and that Santa brings that special present you wanted for Christmas.)

from all the KCRC newsletter staff (me).

This'n That

We've had a very good year in 2002 at KCRC field and now it is time to put something back into the club. I'm talking, of course, about attendance at the meetings and supporting the team of officers we elect. It will be easy to vote for the officers you want this year because we are placing a ballot form onsite at the following website.

<http://www.rcpattern.com/kcrcvotingform.htm>

You can vote online or cut out the ballot on the back of the newsletter and mail it in by December 6th. You must mail it very soon after you get the newsletter because we MUST receive it a couple days before the meeting. The mail in ballots will be opened at the meeting by the tabulating committee. The ballots must be completely filled in in order to be counted. We will use the same ballot form at the meeting vote so that we will have a way to prevent mistakes. For this reason, the announcement of the winners might take longer than usual.

Merry Christmas

Since this is the Holiday Season, the publication and delivery of the newsletter might be slightly altered. Because the holidays occur so late in the month, I need to get it composed and to the printer earlier than usual. If you have a contribution to go into the January newsletter, get it to me as soon as possible.

Merry Christmas

Speaking of contributions, it is time for the winter building projects to begin. If you are tackling a new project, take a moment or two and send me a description of your new beauty. The other members of the club would be interested in what you are building and why you chose that particular one. Also, if there are any odd features or techniques involved, describe those too. If you can e-mail me a picture, all the better. I can use most anything, since there won't be very many club do's to write about for a while.

Merry Christmas

The dues for 2003 will be set at the December meeting. The proposed dues structure decided on at the November meeting is \$60 for a family membership (parents and student children), \$48 for a single adult open membership, and \$24 for a student. Either this will be approved at the December meeting or it will be modified by the membership present at the meeting. Also you might remember that, last year, there was a \$10 penalty added on for dues paid after the February meeting. Be at the meeting if you have a question.

Merry Christmas

The Sound Committee will not be pursuing loud engines until spring. It was decided that there will be very limited activity at the field for a while. They are just as loud but most folks are inside with the doors and windows shut.

Merry Christmas

We decided at the November meeting that KCRC would host a pattern contest in the spring of 2003 at KCRC

field. Apparently there are some problems just now with the SPA contests being changed, so the format of the contest (whether AMA pattern or SPA pattern) will be decided at a later date. In the meantime, get out there and PRACTICE.

Merry Christmas

Went to the field a couple of times this week and had a good time. Seems like there are always a couple or three buddies there. It has been fun to watch Bud Weisser improve his flying skills each time he goes out. He has progressed to an " Easy Sport " model and really is enjoying the challenge. The Easy Sport is one of the best 2nd planes around; if you slow it down a little, it flies like a trainer, but if you pour on the coal, it will challenge your aerobatic skills.

Merry Christmas

Mike Foley has given in and got himself an electric! He was impressed by my GWS Slow Stik and went to Hobby Town and got one. I think he will enjoy it. They are not very acrobatic but they are fun. My only complaint with electric is that it is a lot more trouble filling the fuel tank. You either have to have several batteries (like Roy Pritchard), or a very fast charger.

Since I mentioned HobbyTown, I will go on and say that it is a pretty good hobby shop. They have a lot of planes and a lot of parts at good prices. Any good RC shop needs an active RC man in the model section who knows what stock moves the most. Since Tennessee Model Hobbies closed their doors, HobbyTown is the only store I know about in downtown Knoxville. M&N Hobbies off Rutledge Pike is a truly good RC hobby shop, but it's such a long way for me to drive. I wish Billy had a store in West Knox, but to do that they would have to move Billy and all the stock and I don't see them doing that. If anyone knows of another RC store close by, let me know, would you? I understand that KCRCer Dennis Hunt is slowly moving toward a full fledged shop in Oak Ridge. I personally like to do business at a local shop.

Merry Xmas

Notice

For those of you who want to order a KCRC name tags, Karl Gerth is still taking the orders. He can be reached at email address karlgggg@aol.com. Karl can also be reached at telephone #481-0305

There will be a Flea Market at the December meeting starting at 6:00PM. Bring money and/or junk..

The next meeting of the KCRC will be at our annual club banquet. It will be held on Tuesday, January 14th at a location that will be posted in the January edition of the newsletter. Watch for it.

KCRC November Minutes

The November 12, 2002 meeting of the Knox County Radio Control Society was held at the Dean Hill Recreation Center in Knoxville, Tennessee. The meeting minutes from the October meeting were passed as read in the newsletter. Joel Hebert gave the Treasury report. President Jerel Zarestky welcomed the members and guests to the meeting. There were 29 members present and the meeting started at 7:01pm.

Karl Gerth announced that he had name tags for members that have ordered them, and reminded everyone that if you wanted one, you need to see him either at the field or at the meeting to place your order. If you ordered a name tag from Karl, please see him to pick it up.

OLD BUSINESS

The first order of business that was discussed was the fun fly - flea market - picnic that was held last month at the Club field. A discussion was raised about having another fun fly before the years end, but there was no interest shown by the members present.

It was announced that the field had been mowed (the hay field).

The next order of business discussed was the sound tests. A question was raised as to when the test should occur. After a short discussion, it was decided it would be best to appoint a committee and to start the tests in the spring.

The next order of business discussed was the banquet, which will be held in January. There was a discussion as to where would be the best place to have the banquet. After much discussion, it was decided that we needed more information. If you know of a restaurant where we could hold our annual banquet, please let us know. Also, we will vote on a place to have our annual banquet at the December meeting.

The next order of business discussed was the proposed flying site. It was reported that there is nothing new to report concerning this.

NEW BUSINESS

The first order of business discussed was the hams or turkeys for our neighbors. After a short discussion, a motion was made to purchase the hams or turkeys to be distributed to our neighbors.

The next order of business discussed was if there was any interest in an auction or flea market at the December meeting. After a short discussion among the members present, it was decided to have a flea market at the next meeting (December, 2002) starting at 6pm. The regular meeting will follow at 7 or 7:30pm.

The next order of business discussed was the nomination of officers for the 2003 year. Ed Hartley, Phil Cope and Jerel Zarestky were out last month asking members if they would be interested in running for office. The nominees are listed on the enclosed ballot

There are 3 ways to vote.....by mail, online or at the meeting. Ed Hartley said the ballot would be available on the website. Also, we will vote on dues at the December meeting. It was recommended that the Club add a family package to our dues structure. After a short discussion on the matter, a motion was made to add it to the proposed dues structure and it was passed by the members present. One member asked if we had a discount for senior citizen members and the reply was no. The proposed dues are: student membership \$24, regular membership: \$48 and family membership: \$60. A question was asked about the \$10 late fee, if it would still be in effect. The answer was yes.

The next order of business discussed was a question of a pattern contest for the coming year at our Club field, to see if there was any interest. There was quite a bit of interest shown among the members present. There was a question as to whether it would be a S.P.A. (Senior Pattern Association) or an AMA contest, and it was decided, after a short discussion, that we should have a contest at our field, either in the latter part of May or in the first week of June, no matter which sanction were flew under. Dennis Hunt said he would have to check the schedule to see when we could have a contest. A motion was made by Phil Spelt and seconded by Jordan Foley, to have either an AMA or SPA contest at KCRC field in the 2003 season. A date for the contest will be announced

at a later date and time.

CRASH of the MONTH

There were 2 entries for the Crash of the Month. The first to tell his tale of misfortune was Denny Evans. Denny told the group about the loss of his scratch built Morris the Knife. Dennis had the plane doing an inverted flat spin and pulling back up into a hover out over the field, center of the runway, when the plane 'snapped' and 'went in' full bore. Denny said he had no control whatsoever. He and a search party went out to find the plane.....and they found it in a million pieces, according to Denny. There were 3 or 4 big pieces of the plane that were recovered and brought back to the flight line. Denny proceeded to start checking everything out and when he checked the battery.....it showed it had a dead cell.

Dennis Hunt told the group about his misadventure with his 2 meter Viper. He said he was flying the plane up and down the lake, practicing a double immelman, when the plane came out of the maneuver inverted; it rolled over right side up, with full power when he lost control of the plane. He said the plane took off right up the river about 1/2 mile, and then he lost sight of it. Then they heard a loud crash! Dennis said he and another fellow walked down to the lake and had to cross through a couple of barbed wire fences to get to the crash site. Dennis spotted a fisherman about 1/4 mile away and he was picking stuff out of the water. They hailed him and the fisherman came by and they asked him if he found an airplane and the guy said "yes, what was the name of it?" The guy took Dennis out to where he found the plane, which was surrounded by lots of foam floating on the water. Dennis got his plane back..... minus the engine, receiver crystal and battery. On a follow up, Jerel had his Viper in the back of his truck at the field Saturday and a guy came up to him and said "I pulled one of those out of the river a few days ago!"

A vote was taken and Dennis Hunt won a bottle of glue.

MODEL of the MONTH

There were 4 entries this month for model of the month.

The first entry was submitted by Don Eiler, who showed off his Tubby Cubby electric powered airplane ARF, with a full sized receiver in it, 2 mini servos and an 800 NiMH battery pack. He says he gets about 12 minutes flight time per charge. Its real stable and a ball to fly.

The second entry was submitted by Roger Luebke, who showed off his Pizza Box Flyer, powered by a OS 40LA 2 stroke and guided by 2 servos. He said his inspiration for building it was he lost 2 wings this summer, and doesn't have much time to build or fly. Roger said he got the "plans" from RCUniverse. He said it took him 2 nights to build one of them, and it flies real slow.

The third entry was submitted by Jordan Foley, who showed off his World Models Clipped Wing Cub ARF, all done up in red and white polyester covering and powered by a Saito 72 four stroke, guided by a 7 channel Futaba radio system and 5 servos. He said he still had a way to go before the plane is finished and he hoped the plane would be ready to fly by the end of the month.

The fourth entry was submitted by Joel Hebert, who brought out a Holy Smoke Delta Wing plane, powered by a K&B 40 with a Perry carburetor. The plane has a 36 inch wing span and is covered in red, white and blue monocoat. The original plans called for outside ailerons and an elevator in the center, and Joel changed it to elevons instead. He also added a servo for the nose gear so he could steer it on the ground. Joel said he had to do a few more things to do to get it ready to fly, like attach the rudder.

A vote was taken, twice, because of a tie between Jordan and Roger, and Jordan Foley won a gallon of fuel.

A short recess was taken, and then Jerel and Phil provided the program. Jerel showed how to fiberglass the center section of a wing and Phil showed how to solder pushrods and clevises together.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Michael J. Foley, Recording Secretary, KCRC

KCRC 2003 Voting Form

If you are going to vote on line, it is necessary for us to have your name and AMA number.
 Since we don't have a secure way to register you, this is necessary.
 If you can't live with this, vote at the club meeting.

This On Line Voting form will be removed on December 6, 2003

Your Name

AMA Number

EMAIL ADDRESS

The ballot must contain your name and AMA number in order to be counted. You must include them whether you vote online or by mail.

READ CAREFULLY

Those members without a check box are listed to meet the By-Laws required number. If either of them are elected, they would resign the post immediately. If you feel you must vote for them, do it with a write in ballot with BALLOT marked in the lower left hand corner. This way your ballot will be opened by the voting committee at the meeting.

Mail to:
 Ed Hartley
 221 Oran Road
 Knoxville, TN 37922

This ballot form may also be used to vote by mail if you cannot attend the meeting. Mark the envelope with "BALLOT" in the lower left corner and mail to Ed. Must be postmarked by December 6th.

Where two check boxes are present, select only one or your vote will not be counted for that office. For Board of directors, select two of the four.

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Ben Oliver

Jerel Zarestky

Vice President

Phil Cope

Paul Funk

Denny Evans

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Mike Foley

Phil Spelt

Treasurer

Joel Hebert

Dennis Humt

Sgt at Arms

Jordon Foley

C D Martin

Board of Directors **SELECT TWO**

Ray Le Blanc

Ed Hartley

Dennis Hunt

Ben Oliver

