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# December 2022 Newsletter

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## President's Corner

*By Rick Thompson*

I just want to thank all those who have worked so hard to make 2022 such a terrific year for KCRC. From our events, cookouts, runway repairs, flight bench repairs, and just plain old fun flying, it really has been a good year. Again, thanks to everyone who made it happen.

2023 is set to start out even better with a superb group of officers elected at the December meeting. They are:

- President: Warren Oliver
- Vice President: Matt Conser
- Treasurer: Joel Hebert
- Secretary: Richard Love
- Board Members: Brandon Drummer, Jimmy Russell, and Rick Thompson (automatic as prior President)
- Safety Officer (appointed): Phil Cope

Please mark your calendar for the banquet on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the Golden Oak Buffet in Oak Ridge. There will be a drawing for a brand-new never-flown DJI Phantom I Drone. This was generously donated by KCRC member Bill Walters and originally cost over \$1,000.

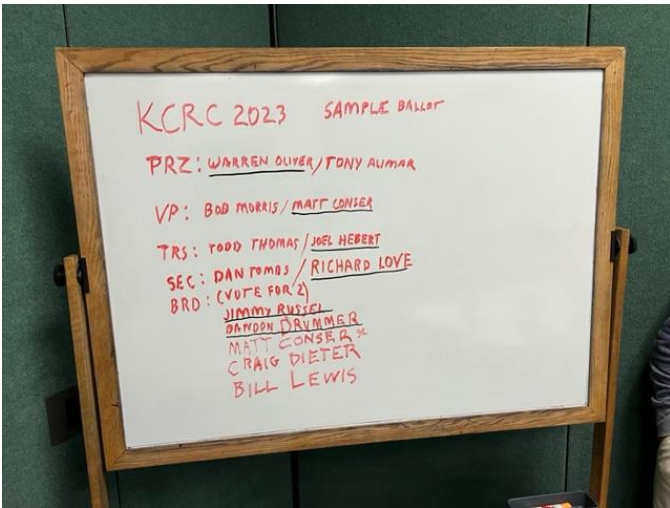
See you there!

## December Meeting

KCRC's December meeting took place on Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at Fellowship Church. Twenty-two people attended the meeting.



Rick Thompson opened the meeting and introduced two new members: Brian Bringle and his son Matthew. Members then voted on the club's 2023 slate of officers. Joel Hebert presented the treasurer's report while the votes were being counted and noted that the bank balance at the end of June was \$13,670. Given the club's healthy financial standing, a motion was made and approved to keep dues at the same rate for another year.



Todd Thomas reported that the FAA has approved AMA for FRIA sites. Chapters can now submit their application. President Thompson wants our boundary to be at least 3,500 feet and noted that we need a higher ceiling than 400 feet.

December saw two entries for model of the month. The first was Jimmy Russell's Utter Chaos 40, which is based on the classic Kaos 40 design. Jimmy converted his model to electric power and fitted it with a 4S-4000 battery. It swings a 12x6 prop and draws 45A of current at full power.



The winning entry came from Warren Oliver, who presented a gorgeous ESM P-40 Warhawk with a 94" wingspan. The model is powered by an RCGF 60cc gasoline engine and is outfitted with electric retracts, including a retractable tail wheel. Test flight coming soon.



There were no entries for crash of the month. Before the meeting ended, Jimmy Russell noted that the 2023 SPA contest hosted at KCRC is tentatively set for Aug. 12-13.

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**Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Don't forget the **annual KCRC banquet** at the **Golden Oak Buffet** in Oak Ridge on January 10<sup>th</sup>!**



*Finally, thank you to all the officers who served KCRC in 2022. One could make the case that it was the club's best year ever. Let's all join together and make 2023 even better!*