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November 2023 Newsletter

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President's Corner

By Warren Oliver

KCRC had its first monthly meeting at the Dean Hill Community Center. We will be meeting there throughout the winter at 7:00 PM on the second Tuesday of each month. Our meeting went well, and the nominating committee presented their work. Unfortunately, we only have one candidate for most of the offices. We will vote on the contested positions at the December meeting and the January meeting will be held at the Golden Oak Buffet in Oak Ridge as we have done before. Phil Cope is making the arrangements for us to have a room to ourselves, so plan ahead for this dinner meeting.

Tod Thomas has volunteered to take over as treasurer for us. I understand that Joel is at home and improving. I met Tod at the bank and got his name on the club account. He suggested that we should make the position of treasurer more than one year since it takes a bit of work to switch those attached to the account as well as changing addresses for mail. We could discuss this idea at the next meeting.

I spent a week in College Station working with a friend that is a professor at Texas A&M University. He also did some modeling when he was growing up. We went out one day and found the local flying field and found a few fellow modelers having some fun. We chatted with the president of their club. They have about 60 members with about 15 active flyers. Their field was amazing. The grass runway was at least three times as wide and as long as ours and not a tree nearby! I told them a bit about KCRC and invited them to come fly with us if they happened by Knoxville.

Next time you get out to the field have a look at KCRC sign. I painted the letters with a light grey outdoor latex paint. The sign certainly shows up considerably better now.

Finally, remember to come to the December meeting and vote for your candidates and support those who are helping run the club. The club will prepare an Email ballot for those who can't make it, but please try and come by.

November Meeting Minutes

By Richard Love

President Oliver opened the meeting at 7:05 PM.

The meeting was held at the Deane Hill Recreation Center with 9 members in attendance.

Old Business:

The October meeting minutes were approved.

In the absence of Treasurer Joel Hebert, Todd Thomas volunteered to assume this role for the remainder of the year. All planned projects for this year have been completed and paid; only routine recurring expenses are anticipated. Meeting members expressed their thanks and gratitude for Todd's work in obtaining our club FRIA status.

Phil Cope said there were no safety incidents to report.

Bob Morris presented the list of candidates that he and Phil Cope recruited for 2024 officer and executive committee member positions. Voting will be held at the next monthly meeting on December 12.

President Oliver is continuing his effort to obtain a new field contract with the county parks department.

New Business:

Phil Cope will contact the Golden Oak restaurant in Oak Ridge to make arrangements for our banquet to be held 9 January 2024 at 6:30 PM.

Crash of the Month:

Gary Swigart told us his Freewing Mig 29 lost power and crashed this side of the river on final. The plane was heavily damaged, but all the important items were recovered. Post inspection revealed that the battery and receiver were in good condition, so the speed controller is suspected.

Next meeting:

The next monthly meeting will be held on 12 December again at the Deane Hill Recreation Center. Location of the Center is 7400 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville 37919.

The rest of our winter scheduled meetings will be held at the Center until we return to summer meetings at the field next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR 2024

Office	Current	Candidates
President	Warren Oliver	Warren Oliver
Vice-President	Matt Conser	<i>Matt Conser</i> <i>Jimmy Russell</i>
Secretary	Richard Love	<i>Richard Love</i>
Treasurer	Joel Hebert	<i>Todd Thomas</i>
<i>Safety Officer (Appointed)</i>	<i>Phil Cope</i>	<i>Phil Cope</i>
Exec Committee 1	Brandon Drummer	<i>Brandon Drummer</i> <i>Steve Patterson</i>
Exec Committee 2	Jimmy Russell	<i>Craig Dieter</i>
<i>Exec Committee 3 (Last President)</i>	<i>Rick Thompson</i>	<i>Rick Thompson</i>
<i>Newsletter (Volunteer)</i>	<i>Bob Morris</i>	<i>Bob Morris</i>
<i>Web Page (Volunteer)</i>	<i>Jeff Prorise</i>	<i>Jeff Prorise</i>
<i>Face Book (Volunteer)</i>	<i>Brandon Drummer</i>	<i>Brandon Drummer</i>

Meet the New Member



Dave Gould has been flying a variety of RC planes for about 20 years and comes to KCRC via Wilmington, NC having started out in Annapolis, MD with his first RC club. He started out as a teen with U-control which sparked a career in aviation – both military and commercial. He flew the F4 Phantom II in Vietnam and later the F-8 Crusader and the A-4 Skyhawk over 20 years of active service and reserves. He has worked for both Eastern and American Airlines. In the model world, he has flown gas, glow, and electric so he is familiar with most aspects of this hobby. Currently, he is flying the foamy electric 3D planes as well as ducted fan planes. Say hi when you get a chance and help him become part of the club.

Upcoming Events

Stay tuned for next year! Remember to vote in the upcoming election and support the new officers so we can have another good year. 2023 has seen a lot of things done at the club, from a SPA contest to fun fly, Warbird, and DF Jet fly-ins to club picnics to shelter repairs and a new flight line driveway. We got a lot done – so start planning and volunteering for 2024!