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# September 2024 Newsletter

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## President's Corner

*By Warren Oliver*

Well, Fall was interrupted by a hurricane, and I hope all of you escaped the flooding and came though in good shape. If you had a plane in the trees, you may wish to walk down and see if it was knocked down by the wind and rain.

If you were at the field on September 21<sup>st</sup>, you probably know that we had a PBS reporter come by and check out our RC activities. Hopefully, we will get some TV airtime and a little publicity for KCRC. Also, remember that we are having an RC day on October 19<sup>th</sup> so let your family and friends know about it and encourage them to participate. Share the flyer that was sent out if you can.

The season is starting to wind down, but there are a lot of nice days still in store for us. So in between football games and racking leaves, drop by the field and enjoy some nice flying weather and share old stories with your friends. Also, now is the time to be thinking about your Winter project and what you want to be flying next Spring.

We will be having elections soon, so please consider running for a club office and help us keep

the club running smoothly. We all need to work together to keep the field in good shape and stay in the good graces of the county.

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## September Meeting Minutes

*By Richard Love*

Vice-President Jimmy Russell opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held at the KCRC field with 16 in attendance.

### Treasurers Report

The report Todd Thomas presented was approved. Expenses were for electricity, mowing, and Porta Potty. KCRC now has 95 members: 70 Regular, 20 Family, 3 Student, and 2 Drone.

### Safety Report

Phil Cope reported there were no safety issues for the month.

### Old Business

No new information was available on the flight line extension project.

Clay Snell, a producer with East Tennessee PBS, has contacted us to see if we would be interested in

participating in an episode of their lifestyle/human interest show "Tennessee Life". This would consist of an interview with two club representatives and filming other members flying and working on their planes. The original planned date was this coming Saturday (14<sup>th</sup>) but will probably slide a week to the 21<sup>st</sup> due to an inclement weather forecast and unavailability of target representatives.

The Oak Ridge Composite Squadron of Civil Air Patrol plans to host an Open House at the OR Chamber of Commerce on the Oak Ridge Turnpike on September 24th from 7 PM to 9 PM. KCRC has been invited as an AMA chapter to showcase our program for their visitors.

Brandon Drummer coordinated our recent Warbirds and Jet Jam events. Both of these events were strongly attended, and both were profitable. Brandon received well deserved vocal appreciation from the meeting attendees.

### New Business

VP Russell has planned an RC Day scheduled for October 19. The scope of RC Day is to encompass all aspects of RC: drones, jets, cars, and include a candy drop, the flying witch, and buddy box flying and a temporary RC car track setup for the kids.

A few members volunteered to use their drone to video future events.

The motion to change our monthly meeting time to 6:30 PM beginning 8 October was approved. This new start time will last throughout the winter, contingent on finding an agreeable indoor meeting facility. Our next meeting will be at the field on Tuesday, October 8, at 6:30 PM.

VP Russell adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM.

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## **Building Season**

With the cooler days, bad weather coming, and less daylight we are entering into building season. Now is the time to take inventory of all your banged up planes and damaged radios and sort out the mess. Get the building board out and repair the salvageable planes, tighten up the covering, and see that all moves smoothly. Rebind the radios and

do range checks; see that all works as planned. Toss all the broken and unreliable servos so you don't accidentally use them in a new project. Check out the receivers as well.

Cycle the batteries to make sure they still can carry a full charge and discard all the weak and questionable ones. Make sure you do your checking in a fireproof manner in case one of the batteries bits the dust. You can't be too careful!

Finally, when you the planes, radios, and batteries sorted out and repaired, take a look around your shop can see how you can spruce it up a bit and make you tools easier to get to. This will make it more fun to work on your projects. Getting rid of the clutter is always a big help in getting things done.

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## **Meet the New Members**

Sorry, no new photos this month. Stay tuned!

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## **Upcoming Events**

Pencil in these event(s) for the flying season:

Oct 19<sup>th</sup> – RC Day

Slate of Candidates for December election

Stay tuned for any updates or additions. Make sure you get your event in early so the club can get it on the roster.

Finally, consider running for a club office and help spread the workload of running the club around. It's important that we keep the club strong and the field in good condition.



# Fall RC Day Sat Oct.19



AMA Sanction #17029

- Gates open 8:30am
- Free Intro/Training flights all day, spectators welcome.
- 10am Drone Racing Demo
- 11am Jet Demo
- 12pm Spooky fly and Candy Drop
- 12:30-1:30 Runway open for RC cars/Trucks

\$20 Flying fee includes cook out lunch.

Kids can eat and participate for free.

No charge for spectating, trainer flights, or RC cars

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