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September 2025 Newsletter

President – Jimmy Russell Vice President – Richard Love Secretary – Bill Lewis Treasurer – Todd Thomas Safety Officer – Phil Cope Exec Committee – Warren Oliver Exec Committee – Brandon Drummer Exec Committee – Craig Dieter

President's Corner

By Jimmy Russell

I hope everyone has had a good month. I sure have. I've been flying and practicing for future SPA contests. I've finished my 2nd Daddy Rabbit just recently (finally) and have been busy trying to get it trimmed out. It's still not as good as my 4-year-old original one. So, for now, the #2 plane will be a backup even though it is ½ lb. lighter and has more power.

It has been so cool to watch Anthony, Ben, and their kids tearing up the sky lately. You can't miss them. They sure don't waste time at the field. It's so great how they involve the kids and to see how those kids are so excited to fly their planes. Let's always try to encourage kids at KCRC.

Speaking of kids, as I'm writing this our Fall RC day is fast coming up, Sept 27th. I have free foam gliders to give away to all the kids in attendance. There will also be 2 or 3 of us offering Trainer flights. Around noon Phil will fly the Spooky Witch, followed up with a candy drop for the kids. Brandon will also do a demo flight with his Turbine powered F-22.

I have appointed Rick and Warren to the nominating committee for new officers. According

to the bylaws we are supposed to have 2 nominees for each position and to hold a formal vote to select officers for next year. I encourage all the members to consider volunteering for a position. We all enjoy the club and flying our models, but it does take a small amount of work behind the scenes to keep it going for all. It really isn't that much work. Even for me, writing this every month is the most of it.

Jimmy

KCRC Meeting September 9, 2025

By Jimmy Russell

The September meeting was held with 12 members in attendance.

Treasurer Report

The treasurer's report was read and approved.

Safety Report

No safety issues were brought up, but we were reminded of runway awareness. We have had more kids recently at the field and we all need to pay attention as they don't always look before they

act. If you are planning on landing or taking off, make sure the runway is clear.

Old Business

Brandon reported that Jet Day went well and there were no problems.

RC Day entry fees are estimated to be \$20 for flying plus lunch, \$10 for lunch, and free for kids. Jimmy and Craig will handle the buddle box duty.

New Business

Jimmy brought up that we needed to secure a room for winter meetings. Everyone agreed that the meeting room at Pellissippi worked great, and the price was good too, so we plan on meeting there.

Travis brought up that he is planning some electrical upgrades to relocate the outlets in the pavilion up to table level and put weather covers on them. Steve offered to assist in this effort.

Haying the field status was brought up as the bales have been sitting there for a long while. During the meeting Rick called Alan Hunt and learned that Alan had hurt his back and was planning to hay/bale the field when he feels better.

Repair and construction of new plane stands was discussed, and we decided to wait until April 2026 to do this project when funds will be allocated. Also, some of the deck boards in the shelter need to be replaced.

Jimmy noted that it is time for officer nominations and is putting together a committee for this task. He asked that all consider participating in the club leadership.

Someone mentioned we needed new windsocks as they are becoming quite worn. Bob is going to check getting some in time for the Fall RC Day.

We noticed that our fire extinguisher use date was expired. Brandon discussed the different types of extinguishers for specific types of fires. It was determined that at our field we should have at least ABC types, but a CO₂ type may work better for lipo or turbine planes as they cause less damage to the aircraft.

Crash of the Month

No crashes were mentioned.

Model of the month

Craig Dieter brought a medium sized Extra 3D aerobatic model. He said it was an NIB ARF he acquired through an estate sale. He said it will fly on a 3s battery and that it's very light.

New Members

No new members were present at the meeting.

Closing

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm

Upcoming Events

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

Fall RC Day - September 27th

Get your event in as soon as possible so we can get it on the list. Tell your ideas to the officers or email them if you can't make the meeting.

Meet the New Member

Nothing new this month.