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## **Minutes of the West Jersey R/C Club July 14, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Werner at 8:06 pm with 19 members and a prospective member in attendance. The minutes from the June meeting were read by the Secretary and accepted by all present. Treasurer Brian Beer went over all the deposits and debits on the checking account with an ending balance as of June 30<sup>th</sup>. Brian also had a statement for the Vanguard fund from the second quarter and gave the balance as of June 30<sup>th</sup>. Vice-President Bob Demola reviewed the membership with Mike Gilligan attending his second meeting. Bob also reported that the club is at 89 members. Mark Schools gave the field report with about 90% of the weeds almost gone on the runway. Mark said he was going to spray the runway one more time on Friday morning if anyone was available to help come on out. Mark also wanted to thank all of those who have helped out with the field work. Safety Officer Rich Onorato wanted to mention that the last one out needs to secure the field and make sure all locks are closed.

### **Old Business**

President Bob Werner said he would reach out to the AMA VP of our District to get as much information and guidance on FPVs as he can to help with establishing some guidelines for our club. As of now FPVs can be flown at the field as long as the pilot follows all AMA guidelines and stays within the normal area we fly until AMA finalizes all rulings. The road in from both directions is still pretty bad, the recent storm has caused a lot of damage and downed trees so be careful. The Fun Fly was cancelled due to a lack of participants and will not be rescheduled for this year. Bob Werner wanted to remind everyone that he has all the ID badges for Pennsylvania and Neil Stokes has the ID badges for everyone in New Jersey. If you still need your badge contact them to get it. Neil Stokes is still looking for someone to take on the food for the picnic, please contact him if you can do this.

The fuel order has been placed, picked up and delivered to the field. Thank you to Joe Albanese for making the trip to get the fuel order.

### **New Business**

Neil Stokes is putting together a club shirt order. If you want a shirt please contact him for details. Mark Schools said that we are still having a noise issue and feels that we should start doing random checks on all aircraft. As a reminder, Don Romano donated a sound meter which is in the container at the field. Bob Werner has a couple of planes that past president Steve Althouse has donated to the club for a raffle. The planes will be auctioned off at a later date and will have advanced ticket sales. Mark Schools asked about filling in the runway to level it up with the grass; he will check with John Landolfi on options. The next Bull Meeting is July 28<sup>th</sup>, the next Regular Meeting is August 11<sup>th</sup>. Giant Scale Sunday is July 19<sup>th</sup> and Bi-plane Sunday is August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Brian Beer ran the 50/50 with \$20.00 going to Julian Albanese. Brian also ran a raffle on some items donated by Ray Snock's family; Mike Gilligan won a Futuba 2.4 radio, Jearl Waddell won a starter and Mike Gilligan won again taking home a small bench vise.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Neil Stokes WJRC Secretary



## President's Corner

August 2015

The weather seems to have settled a bit and we're getting in some good flying time at the field. Tom Gabriel has volunteered to help out with the food at the picnic, and I'd like to personally thank Tom for stepping up again, (he helped plan the Fun –Fly event – not his fault only a few showed up!), and for helping to make next month's Club picnic a success. Let's give Tom whatever support we can, so we can all eat and have a fun day flying!

A situation that has been brewing for some time seems to have worked itself out, but it has also pointed out that we need to review some antiquated Club by-laws, and bring them more up to date. (The current by-laws date from 1998!) Before anyone gets too excited, we're not going to rewrite everything, just make some revisions that are more in line with the way we do business today. I'll be seeking volunteers to help out with the review, and I hope to have suggestions for necessary revisions ready for the members by the November meeting.

Our up and coming events for August:

Small Plane Sunday on the 16<sup>th</sup> and Gas Engine Sunday on the 30<sup>th</sup> See you There!

The P-38 ARF will now be raffled off at the October business meeting, and will be on display at the September business meeting, on September 8<sup>th</sup>, and at the club picnic, September 13<sup>th</sup>, to give it maximum exposure. The P-47 ARF will be displayed at the November meeting, and then raffled off at the December meeting, at the end of Club business.

I will arrange with Brian to have advanced ticket sales, so buy a lot for your best chance to win a nice Warbird ARF for a cheap price!

Happy Flying and watch out for those airplane grabbing trees!

Bob Werner

WJRC President

The 88" Piper Pawnee of club secretary Neil Stokes.  
(photo from Sheldon Parker)



You can take the man out of the RC flying field, but you can't take the .....  
(photo from Sheldon Parker)



Back in Feb 2011, my Kaos after giving a tree a dose of what for:



(To a tree, balsa wood and monokote tastes like chicken.)

**Flying Field:** Condition: Great

In addition to mowing, other field maintenance and machinery maintenance, Mark Schools with assistance from Sheldon Parker sprayed weed killer on the dirt part of the runway at least two more times. Their efforts produced the desired effect. Neil Stokes and Bruce Sheppard also a lot of work over the past month in maintaining the field.

Dennis Buttocola has recently returned to his position as club Field Maintenance Director. Dennis mowed the field on August 6 - his first since coming back. It'll be good seeing him regularly back at the field again. Welcome back to Dennis!

**CLUB NOISE LEVEL REQUIREMENTS:**

All aircraft flown at our field **must** meet club noise level requirements:

**No greater than 96 dB at a distance of 20 ft, with the meter held 2 ft above ground level.**

The sound level meter donated by Don Romano is available for use by any member. It's stored in the field shed, in the bottom drawer of the filing cabinet. Anyone with a doubt about their aircraft's noise level is strongly encouraged to use the meter. Just be sure to return it to the filing cabinet afterwards for others to use.

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

1. **Each day, the last member to leave the field is responsible for locking the Gate, Toilet and Shed.**

Also make sure the lock tumblers have been spun so the combination isn't showing. If you're unfamiliar with locking-up, ask another member about it at the field.

2. All members, while at the field please pick up any trash, even those little pieces. Any trash at all reflects badly on our club. Our field area should look pristine.

Chris Maruzzi with his 74" MXSR from Redwing RC. Chris set it up with a Hacker A60-5S motor, 8-s lipo and a ZTW Gecko 120A High Voltage ESC.

(photo from Sheldon Parker)



**Videos from the WJRC Flying Field** are on Gregg Clement's YouTube channel "Gregg660":

<http://www.youtube.com/user/gregg660/videos>

**Photos from the WJRC Flying Field** are on Sheldon Parker's ShutterFly site:

<https://wjrcphotos.shutterfly.com/>

Thursday, July 16: After a 3 1/2 yr hiatus from flying due to medical problems, Bill Froeder (black hat) finally got in a flying day. He chose to do the honor with his Cherokee. Paul Gross assisted with the 1st flight. The day went very well; and, Bill even got in a dead stick landing for some added fun!



Thursday, July 16: Rich Oakes, Barry Prather and Bill Pinto kibitzing in the pits with Barry's P-39 on the bench. But it wasn't all talk, they got their flying in too.



Barry Prather's 80" P-51 with a 1.60 2-s glow:

(photo from Sheldon Parker)



Below, taking in a great summer day is Manny Martin in a peaceful reading session, Andre Askew and Andre's grandson Alex (lying in the van); Andre's .75-powered Ultra Sport 60 is on the bench ready to go. (Although Mark Schools isn't in the photo, that's his SUV in the background; Mark was loading-up a tractor with weed killer for treating the runway.)



Mike Iacovone's sharp looking Giles 202 aerobat:  
(photo from Sheldon Parker)



Sheldon Parker's kit built 44", OS 46-powered profile Mustang.



## WJRC Scheduled Events:

- Tuesday, Aug 11: Business meeting @ 8 PM
- Sunday, Aug 16: Small Plane Sunday
- Tuesday, Aug 25: Bull meeting @ 8 PM
- Sunday, Aug 30: Gas Engine Sunday

35 yrs ago Rich Oakes built this 65" Curare from plans by Hanno Prettner, complete with retracts, 60 2-s engine, Weber carb and tuned pipe. Rich painted its "quiet" color scheme, then clear coated it. (You have to see it to believe it; this 35 yr old plane looks brand new!)



Here's the Curare again, but at wide open throttle, challenging me to try to keep it in the camera frame. Believe me it moves!



Below, a young Rich Oakes 35 yrs back holding his then new Curare.  
(photo from Rich Oakes)

