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Minutes of the West Jersey R/C Club January 10, 2017

The January Business meeting was called to order by President Bob Demola at 8:00 pm with 27 members present. The minutes from the December meeting were read by the Secretary and accepted by all after a change was made that Leon Dobkowski won the 50/50 raffle not Jack Hofbauer. Treasurer Brian Beer reviewed the checking account and gave an ending balance as of December 31st. Brian also gave the expense report on the checking account, which runs from October 31st 2015 to November 1st 2016. The club had a loss for that twelve month period. The club incurred some additional expenses, including mower repairs, which account for some of the loss. Vice-President Joe Mauriello went over the membership with the club at 53 paid members as of the January meeting. Joe said the club was at 95 members as of December 31st 2016. Joe also gave the names of the Membership Committee he's chosen, with the following being the contacts: Gregg Clement, Mark Schools, Don Romano and Rich Onorato. Field Maintenance Officer Johnny Brink said the field is "cold and chilly but ok". Field Safety Officer Owen Douglass said all is good on safety and gave the names of Gregg Clement and Barry Prather as the new Field Marshals for 2017.

Old Business

Bob Bradshaw said the First Fly race turned out well with Jay Honigman winning and collecting a \$25.00 prize and bragging rights until next year. President Bob Demola said he spoke to George Stanton; he is the gentlemen leasing the woods to the right of the flight line, which is the south end of the runway. George mentioned that we should not be flying over the woods and requested we stay in the open field. He also asked that if any planes

do go in the woods, to contact him and he will help to find them and that we should not to wander around in the woods. Bob Demola will try to contact George and find out what his hunting schedule is.

New Business

Vice-President Joe Mauriello said the website needs some updating. He was going to get in touch with Steve Althouse to see what options we have and how long we have with the present server. Gregg Clement spoke about setting up your transmitter for electrics with a safety switch for the throttle. He found out the hard way with one of his electric planes. This will allow you to disarm the throttle until you are ready to fly. He will send out some YouTube videos on setting up different radios. Mark Schools asked about updating and restocking the first aid kit that is in the container. Joe Mauriello said that more members are getting involved with electrics and we should be very careful around them and also in charging the batteries. He said to seek advice from other members that have experience with them. The President has put together a New Events schedule for 2017 which will be posted on the website soon. The next Bull Meeting is January 24th and the next Business Meeting is February 14th. With no further business, Brian Beer ran the 50/50 with Neil Stokes winning \$20.00. The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Neil Stokes WJRC Secretary

From Sheldon Parker:

Field Kit for First Aid & General Health:

This easy to put together kit is something each of us should have; and, now is the right season for putting one together. (Note: The club has a first aid kit in the shed; but, you may have to open two combination locks and the large shed door to get to it. If that time should come, having a kit within arm's reach could be a hassle saver.) Sheldon sent this info on the kit that he'd put together and keeps in his car at all times.

- plastic Rubbermaid-type container (about 12"x 6"x 7" with a handle)
- aspirin (for heart attacks)
- bandaids, plus an assortment of larger bandages
- tape
- antiseptic cream
- water & clean cloth (for cleansing an injury)

And, for those times when you'll forget them:

- suntan lotion
- insect repellent (and maybe wasp killer)
- sunglasses

Brightly colored clothing (for plane searching during hunting season - be very careful in this regard.)

Sheldon does a lot of work for the club by supplying a lot of great flying field photos for the newsletter and for his WJRC ShutterFly site. There's a lot of "behind the scenes" work because, for various reasons, most photos taken at the field by Sheldon (and myself) have to be discarded for one reason or another. Editing the remaining "good" ones often takes a lot of time. Sheldon's photos are a big plus to the newsletter and a big help for me. (Editor.)

THANK YOU to Sheldon Parker for the above kit info and for the photo work throughout each year.

The big Fokker D-VII of Tom Nicholas about to touch-down. (Photo from Sheldon Parker)



2015: Sheldon Parker with his 70" Great Planes Revolver. In the foreground is the identical plane of Mark Schools. This 70" version of the Revolver is well-liked by many in our club.



2015: Andre Askew with Barry Prather's eye-catching Miss America Mustang. (Photo from Sheldon Parker)



JJ's Great Planes 59" Revolver with an OS .55 in it. (Photo from Sheldon Parker)



From Gregg Clement: Transmitter Glove for Winter Flying:



Gregg Clement is an all-season kind of flyer. Above photo shows Gregg's newly acquired transmitter glove for winter flying. For toasty hands, he added a Lipo-powered heater to it. In the photo, the glove has its clear top cover unzipped and rolled up. The blue & orange-colored heater temperature controller is near the bottom. Transmitter glove link: https://hobbyking.com/en_us/turnigy-transmitter-glove-2-4ghz-neckstrap-ready.html#desc-toggle-tab

A different version, called a "transmitter muff", comes in black or red: https://hobbyking.com/en_us/turnigy-transmitter-muff-black.html

Lipo-powered heater:
https://hobbyking.com/en_us/hobbyking-universal-heater-system.html

For the heating system, Gregg uses a 3-cell 5,000 mAh LiPo; and, he monitors the Lipo's charge state with a wireless low-battery alarm. Here's the wireless alarm Gregg uses: https://hobbyking.com/en_us/quanum-pocket-vibration-telemetry-voltage-meter-with-alarm-915mhz-fm.html

I don't know why it costs more, but here's another type wireless alarm:
https://hobbyking.com/en_us/quanum-pocket-vibration-telemetry-voltage-meter-with-alarm-869-5mhz-fm.html

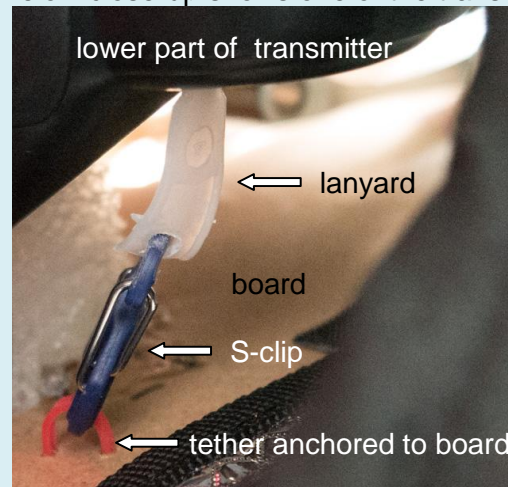
He mounted his own switch on the glove's outside so it wouldn't be necessary to disconnect the LiPo between flights. Gregg also added a layer of terry cloth to the heater's metal top surface to give more even heat distribution. (The heater surface reached 140 deg F at home.) Gregg said it kept his hands plenty warm while flying.

The big LiPo, along with Gregg's 14-channel transmitter are a lot of weight. He didn't want it shifting around inside the transmitter glove, so he mounted them on a board. Gregg made the transmitter easily removable from the board by attaching lanyards to the transmitter's back case screws. Removable S-clips attach those lanyards to tethers which are anchored to the wood board. (see photo)

Below: For clarity, Gregg removed the white terry cloth from the heating surface on his right hand side.



Below close-up shows one of the transmitter anchorings.



Below: Gregg, landing one of his giant scales. With fingers that aren't stiff from cold, it must be at least a little bit easier, and I'm sure more enjoyable.



Gregg Clement does countless WJRC flying field videos throughout each year, documenting official events, maiden flights, RC advice and ideas and an assortment of other things in helping to keep the club informed.

**THANK YOU to Gregg Clement
for the info on this page and the video
work throughout each year.**

1/19/17: After a spell of poor weather, we had a good turnout of flyers taking advantage of a relatively warm, low wind, DRY January day.



1/24/17 Bull meeting: Jay Honigman bought a sport jet from VQ Models on special sale at less than half its normal price. Its present seller, Hobby King, describes it as a stand-off scale model of the Navy's new jet trainer, the T-45 Goshawk (Jay said there's a semblance of a P-40 Tomhawk in it too.) So, they called it a "Tomhawk". He set his up with fixed gear; it does come ready to accept retracts. In the week previous, Jay flew it twice. He said the jet is very light, so, even with its 54" wingspan, the .46 engine moves it great.



John Schumacher has a .90 4-s in his 63" Great Planes Little Toni. Unfortunately, this beauty is discontinued.



From back in June 2016: Our present club president, Bob Demola, getting his 61" Hanger-9 Frenzy 100 ready.



Gregg Clement's **Videos** from the WJRC Flying Field are on his YouTube channel "Gregg660":
<http://www.youtube.com/user/gregg660/videos>

Sheldon Parker's **Photos** from the WJRC Flying Field are on his ShutterFly site:
<https://wjrcphotos.shutterfly.com/>



Lebanon Flea Market is 3/11/2017:

A number of WJRC members go to this event by car pooling. It's held by the Central Penn Aeromodelers Association. Saturday, March 11 in Lebanon, PA
<http://www.lebexpo.org/index.php/event/central-penn-aeromodelers-association-rc-flea-market/>



Valentines' Day is this Sunday, Feb 14

Happy Flying,
 JJ

If something hasn't broken on your helicopter, it's about to.
 If you see a bomb technician running, try to keep up with him.