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Prez Sez

Hello out there. I realize this is late and there wasn't a newsletter before the meeting, and the weather was bad, but only one member and the officers showed up at the meeting May 8th. We were going to meet at the field, but at the last minute I decided we should meet at the hobby shop instead due to the storms moving in just then. OK, so we will just meet next month at the field as planned June 12th (weather permitting). In case of rain, meet at the hobby shop. I am making a new inclement weather policy – from now on, if we are scheduled to meet at the field and the weather is bad, we will meet at the hobby shop meeting room instead. I will coordinate with the manager beforehand so we will have the room.

Pierre reports we have a good crop of dandelions, but otherwise the field is in good shape. Here is his full report:

"The field has an excessive amount of yellow flowers growing on it this year. Just have to keep them cut until they all flower out.

We will have corn on the east, south, and west side of the field. The north side will be beans. If you have to go out into the crops looking for your equipment, remember that the crops are somebody's living and not a hobby.

Last week somebody placed food in the trash can and of course an animal decided to eat said food and left a deposit on the bottom shelf of the old impound table, and it's still there. If you have leftover food, throw it in the ditch. It will be gone the next day and there won't be a mess on the impound table".

John Bouchillon reports he has only had one person show interest in the Saints Facebook page. If no one is interested, we will take it down. Contact John at jbouchil@yahoo.com.

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

Richard (Editors Note) The May meeting date seemed to have creeped up on us since the date was early in the month and the newsletter did not get published. We apologize.

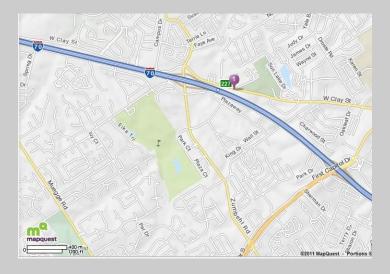
Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates: 2014: Jun 12, Jul 10, Aug 14, Sep 11, Oct 9, Nov 13, Dec 11. (Meetings for May, Jun, Jul & Aug tentatively scheduled at the Saints field.)

Meeting Time: 7 to 9 pm

Meeting Location: Saints Field (May – Aug) or Mark Twain Hobby Shop

From eastbound I-70 take the Zumbehl exit north and turn right on West Clay. Go 1/4 mile. Mark Twain Hobbies will be on your right. The meeting room is entered via the leftmost outside door for Mark Twain Hobbies.



Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order 4/10/2014 by President, Richard Jenkins.

Roll call by Dick Magee. There were 15 in attendance. There are currently 53 members on board so far this year and 17 openings at this time. Don Wellman was the new member in attendance. He talked about his RC airplane history, which includes electric foamies, Parkzone bind and fly planes 3 cells mostly. He mentioned a 'fly in' about a year and half ago.

There was a motion to accept the March meeting minutes. Aye.

Our Treasurer, Mike Dierker was present and he gave the treasures report.

There was a motion to accept the Treasures report as given. Club insurance was registered with the AMA. Our president has the certificate, cost was \$150.

Field committee report: Pierre moved the cones off, the field was pretty solid. Water was close to the field but didn't get on it. If you see water on the field, report it so that we can get information in the web site.

No safety incidents to report.

No old business.

New business: We had discussion on to starting a Facebook page to be able to see field conditions quickly. John Bouchillon asked how many members have a Facebook page. There were about 4 people. John said that Facebook is used by a lot of other clubs use the pages. The page is called the 'St. Charles RC club. He's already put some pictures up. He has five friends on it. You must already have a Facebook account and John will put you on it if he receives a friend request. His planes are to list for sale information and anything that we want to see. He recommended not using your Gmail address. John said that the page is private, so you can view it but you can't post. You don't have to put your picture on it if you don't feel comfortable. Check the website, he will put information on it, and if you are interested you can request to join.

President said that the Toledo attendance was down about 20 percent this year. This year there was a large display of quad copters with cameras, micro copters, copters that could lift a small dog. First person viewer cameras were demonstrated. They had screens that attach to your transmitter. The price ranged from a couple of hundred bucks to a thousand. They had gliders following each other with cameras.

Electrics were really big. A lot of work has gone into 4 stroke gasoline motors. Richard brought in a DLE 61cc Gas engine. He is going to mount it on an Edge 540 with a wingspan of 87 inches. Instead of gasoline, Richard uses a mixture of Coleman Lantern fuel. The \$370 dollar price tag at the Toledo show was a steal because motors this size typically go for \$600/

Robart is coming out with electric retracts, the president talked about these. They used to be pneumatics, and were subjects to leaks.

The beauty of Toledo is you get to talk to the engineers. Richard talked to Hitec.

Richard found a company that mixes epoxy with different colors to put on monokote. A good use for the mixes would be trying to match the colors on cowlings of scale models. You can send a sample and the company will match the color. The cost is about \$15 a half pint. The president said he will put the post up on the website if anyone is interested.

People brought in models for judging. Some were extremely good. They had boats and tanks and cars. Every thing. Richard stayed in a Red Roof Inn at a price of 57 dollars a night.

Attendance prizes: Two 10 dollar gift cards to Mark Twain Hobby shop went to Hawk-Eye and Don Shelton.

Show and Tell

50/50 – went to Jim Doucette.

Motion to adjourn.

DLE 61 cc Engine