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SCALE MEET 2015 — GREAT FLYING, GREAT FUN!

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Hampshire County Radio Controllers, Inc. • Business Meeting, AUGUST 6, 2015 MINUTES:

The meeting was brought to order at 7 p.m. by Pres. Mark who quickly asked for the roll to be called. The secretary got a response from 22 members attending and no guests were reported present.

Mark asked for a motion to waive the reading of the minutes. The motion was made, seconded and passed. (M/S/P)

Next he asked the treasurer to give his monthly financial report with items of expense and income detailed and explained. As noted, the report is always available to any member at any time. M/S/P

Committee Reports — Dave Lavigne thanked those who worked with him representing HCRC at the Great New England Air Show (Westover ARB). He, along with Tracy Page, Ed Kopec and Bill Jaciow, worked both days at the event.

Old Business — Leo gave special thanks to the secretary for appearing at the fund raising banquet for the newly approved military and transportation museum to be built at Barnes Airport. A display of HCRC information and his replica of a "Doolittle Raider" B-25 occupied center stage during the event held at the East Mountain Country Club.

New Business — Dave Lampron asked for help with a work party to do the final field repairs to the lower end of the flight line. He asked for 4 to 5 members to join him on next Monday evening at 5 p.m. Several members volunteered including Dean, Leo, Eddie, Dave W., and Gordie. A message over the internet will be sent to all members (using email) requesting non-flying during that work period. Mark had a few additional comments about not parking on the flying field, a meeting on Thurs. night for the upcoming Scale Fly-In (at the field) and a board meeting on Wed. at 7p.m. also at the field. He also discussed the dues increase for members of the AMA with an incentive to pay early for one or two years at the same present rate. Mark thanked the secretary for the rebuild of the five white safety barriers along with the new blocks set into the ground. Dave W. donated some of the new blocks, he said. Mark also talked about our members respecting the height rules at our location (400') and the need to be aware of the rules being finalized between the FAA and the Academy of Model Aeronautics as it will apply to our location near an active airport. Leo had a closing comment about, hopefully, a lot of club members will turn out for the Scale Fly-In on 8/22-23.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gordie Lauder, Secretary



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT:

Scale Meet fly-by by Harland Avezzie in his PT-23 WWII trainer. We really appreciate this. Harland has been a great friend of our club. He is stationed out of Barnes Airport in Westfield.

HCRC CLUB NEWS

DRONES

As everyone has heard by now, the FAA is making decisions on the use of drones. We are in a precarious position being less than a mile from the runway at Northampton Airport. We must begin a serious dialog concerning the use of drones at our field.

Leo Dube is working with the AMA regulations for First Person View (FPV) operation of model aircraft. HCRC will have to draft rules for this type of flying that is appropriate to our situation but within the AMA standards.

Input from the members is crucial.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2016

We have been informed that Mark Mundie will not be running for President and Dave Lampron will not be available for Vice President in 2016. Also, we will have openings on the Board of Directors. These positions will have to be filled.

All of our members are going to have to start thinking of possible candidates for these positions. Now is the time to start canvassing for nominees. We cannot afford to wait until the December meeting and find that we have nobody running for office. We need new faces and ideas to steer this club through the hazards we will be facing in the future. So, if you can help, step up, be heard, be part of our club's future.

SCALE MEET REPORT

The 2015 Scale Fly-In was held on Saturday and Sunday, August 22 & 23, 2015. It was another success. All the hard work by the members paid off. The field was in great shape and things were well-organized.

The clubs from New Hampshire showed up on Friday at about 10:30 a.m. to set up their campsites. Our work crews were still there to greet them. Saturday dawned clear and beautiful. The weather held and was just about perfect.

Dave Wartel had done great advertising and the crowds began showing up early. A survey showed that a lot of

people had seen advertising in local newspapers and a few had heard about the event on radio and TV. Our signs are also a big draw. They are placed strategically and bring casual visitors in from the local highways.

The flying was spectacular. All the entrants flew safely and entertained the visitors. Dean Lampron put on his show at noon and was a big hit with the crowds.

SEPTEMBER 2015 MEETING

Reminder: the September 2015 meeting will be held at the flying field. This is the last outdoor meeting in 2015.

— Dave S., Ed.

FROM PRESIDENT MARK

This year was another good year for our annual Scale meet. The weather cooperated for the most part, with only a small shower Sunday morning. We had 32 pilots, with many of them from N.H. We had 9 pilots from our club. I would like to thank all the members of the club who helped put this on. Some of them were Ron Paul and his wife who worked the food stand along with Dave and Kim Lampron. Also Dave Sherman, Dave Wartel, Dean Lampron, Leo Dube, Andre Bouchard, Tracy Page, Pat Malone, Dave Lavigne, Gordie Lauder, Ed Kopec, Bob Prosciak, and, Peter Cincotta. Also, Lynne Rudié for her work once again on the flyers. If I missed anyone, I apologize and please tell me.

This year we did well financially, final totals will be part of upcoming treasurer's reports. The food and propane were donated, as were the prizes, the fees, and the sound system. If it were not for these donations, the profits would have been much lower. Also we have to find a way to get more pilots from our club flying. This is a meet for our club, but the way it is now we do not have much participation. I would like suggestions on how to fix this. In summary, it was a good time, the weather cooperated, there were many good planes, good music on the sound system, and how many other contests have you gone to where you can watch an outdoor movie?

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS—SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

THURSDAY, SEPT. 3RD @ 7 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING at the Flying Field

**THURSDAY, OCT. 8TH @ 7 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING
at the VFW in Florence**

Note: no plans have been made for a club picnic for 2015

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of the year at the Flying Field.
October 8th meeting is at the VFW
in Florence.

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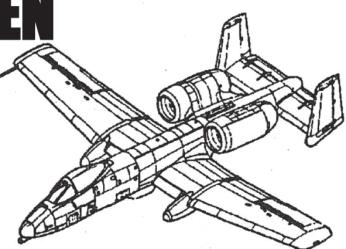
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