

HCRC Flier



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Hampshire County Radio Controllers

Business Meeting of March 1, 2018

MINUTES

V.P. Mike Shaw chaired the meeting tonight and called it to order at 7 p.m. He requested a roll call of members with fourteen reporting present including three club officers. Treas. Ron gave his financial report for Feb. 2018 showing all income and expense items and a transfer of reserve funds into a Certificate of Deposit earning a higher rate of interest. Ron also made an appeal for additional purchases for the Calendar Raffle so he can start drawings on April 1st. He said there were nearly 75 tickets sold out of a goal of 100 and answered questions about the daily picking of winners and the prize structure, net benefit to the club, etc. The drawings will start on April 1st with or without the full goal of 100 tickets sold, he said. As there were no additional comments the report was approved as read. Next – a motion was heard to waive the reading of the minutes and approved.

Old Business – Mike discussed a recent request by a group of six UMass engineering students for HCRC to review a planned press release supporting their drone-based system to deploy agricultural chemicals using little or no manual labor. He indicated that member Leo Dube recently offered to assist the group in the technical and testing phase of their project. As a result of the recent Board of Directors meeting certain club events were agreed upon for the 2018 season as follows: the Field Clean-Up was scheduled for April 14th with a rain date of the 21st, the Family Day & Open House on June 10 and the Two Day Fly-In (Wings Over Hadley) was set for the 18th & 19th of August. Mike Shaw will CD the Fly-In and has already received an AMA Sanction for those dates. Mike then covered more pending ideas for projects/issues of field repair, shed maintenance, new cover for the sunshade over the seating, and other items that may or may not be accomplished at Field Clean-Up. He also said that each member in good standing will be notified of a change in the Gate Access Code to take place at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 14(day of Clean-Up). Other issues that come under New Business included: field mowing and the need for someone to coordinate the weekly effort, a decision to be made on fertilization, and an interesting offer to utilize a machine to paint lines on the field or parking areas. At this time, a lengthy discussion was brought up by D. Sherman about the impact of “drones” on our hobby, our club and the approach we should take in attracting new members. Other New Business: Member Paul Voss will bring in his latest product offering to the April 5th Business Meeting called a SpecCNC Aeroform Tabletop Aircraft Factory. This is a cnc foamcutter and recently displayed at AMA Expo East. More information and online ordering at www.speccnc.com

Ed Kopec reminded us of the June 15-16-17 arrival of the B-29 FiFi and a P-51 escort to the Westover Metropolitan Airport (Civilian side of base). Also, Warbirds Over Ellington is scheduled for September 15th with a rain date of the 16th and the Turners Falls club - FCRCC is holding their Flea Market on April 28th – 9a.m. to 1p.m. New member- Richard Rabe of Belchertown was voted in tonight unanimously and welcomed to the club.

Meeting adjourned at 8p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Gordie Lauder, Secretary

Here is your new GATE ACCESS CODE for the coming season.

The change will be effective April 14th, 2018 at 9am.

Gate Access Code

INFO PAGE

Upcoming Events:

-April 5th Club Meeting at Florence VFW 7pm

-April 14th Field Clean up day

-April 21st Rain date for field clean up

May 3rd Club Meeting at the Flying field 7pm

June 10th Family day and Open House

August 18th/19th HCRC Annual Fly-in "Wings Over Hadley"

Airplane of the month



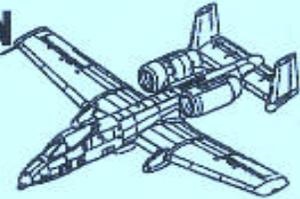
(March): **Hawker Demon**(Left): A fighter version of the highly successful 1928 Hawker Hart day bomber, the Demon two-seat escort fighter went into service in 1933. The Osprey was a navalised reconnaissance version for service with the fleet. (specifications) *Span:* 37ft 3in, *Length:* 29 feet 1 inch, *Engine:* Rolls-Royce Kestrel II , 851hp, *Max Speed:* 181 mph at 15,000ft, *Ceiling:* 24,500ft, *Armament:* 2x Vickers MG, 1x Lewis MG

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