

# The Flypaper

Monthly News Letter of the Freeport  
IL Radio Control Modelers  
AMA Chartered Club #253

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**Meeting Night: 7:PM Wednesday,  
July 1<sup>st</sup>, Baker's Field. Come early  
and fly. If bad weather we will meet at  
the library.**

WOW, June went by very fast. With the Sneek-In Fun Fly over, now we can focus on the next big Fun Fly. The Baker's Field Firecracker Jamboree on Saturday the Fourth of July. How does that rub ya? It only happens once every 6 or 7 years. The charcoal grill will be lit from 11:AM, and be kept hot until 7:PM, so cooking can go on anytime of the day. I am looking forward to it (tic).

The weather was a bug-a-boo this year on Saturday morning for the Sneek-In thingee. We still did allot of flying and had good food to eat. It will be interesting to get the final dollar figures on how we did.

There were no major airplane crashes, or other problems. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. We had great club member cooperation during the week prior to the fun fly. The field setup was done superbly again by Harry Allen and his several helpers that showed up on Wednesday.

We just can't thank Duane Sneek enough for his generosity and assistance with letting us use his facilities and equipment. It sure made it easy for our Club.

The Club proposed a new membership category for the By-Laws in the June Newsletter. It will be called "Social Membership". It will be for those people, who would like to attend meetings, partake in discussions, and social events, or just receive the monthly Newsletter (THE FLYPAPER). The dues would be \$10.00 per year. This membership will have no voting or flying privileges. If the Social Member has an airplane that he would like flown, a full-fledged Freeport R/C Club Member with AMA membership can fly it for him, but the Social Member cannot fly it or be on a buddy box with it. If the Social Member has an AMA membership, he still will not be able to vote or fly.

This proposed change to the By-Laws will be voted on at the July 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. A 75% majority of votes cast is required to change the By-Laws. A ballot is included with the new By-Law wording below. Please fill it out and mail it to Craig LeBaron, 4800 Lily Creek Rd., Freeport, IL. 61032. You can email your vote to Craig LeBaron at; [lebaron4800@gmail.com](mailto:lebaron4800@gmail.com). The best thing to do is attend the meeting Wednesday evening at Baker's Field, at 7:00PM, and vote in person after flying awhile. Below is the wording that will be placed in the By-Laws.

## Article IV - Dues and Fees and Expenditures

### Section I Membership Dues and Fees

Annual Dues are as follows:

Individual Membership - \$35.00

Junior Membership (under 19 years old) - \$20.00

First Year Under 24 years old - \$20.00

Family Membership (2 voting members, 2 or more flying members) - \$50.00

*Social Membership - \$10.00 (no voting or flying privileges)*

AMA Insurance - ALL flying members MUST have AMA Insurance in force.

All membership categories will receive THE FLYPAPER Newsletter.

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### Official Ballot

Shall the By Laws of the Freeport Radio Controlled Modelers Club Article IV Section 1, Membership Dues and Fees, be changed to include a new membership entitled: Social Membership - \$10.00 (no voting or flying privileges).

\_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

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More on Sneek's: We received several compliments from participants about the field layout, the manner in which we ran the Fun Fly, as well as how good the food was. It was very nice to receive these comments. We can all feel proud. Several first time participants said they would definitely be back next year.

The board of directors thanks everyone who helped in all the different ways we needed help. We were never lacking in need of volunteers. People just showed up and did their thing. You all know who you are, and so does the board. We thank you for another successful Sneek-In Fun Fly. Come early to the meeting July 1<sup>st</sup>, fly a while, and then find out how we did financially!!!!

From early reports, the raffle did pretty well. We had some very good items in the raffle. We had 31 pilots register (down from 44 the previous 2 years). There were over 70 airplanes in the pits and display area. The bad Saturday morning weather was a factor in pilot registrations.

If you have something for Show and Tell or something to sell, or swap, bring it to the meeting Wednesday.

Craig LeBaron has his .60 size Aeromaster Bipe 99% ready to fly. I have flown my 90"ws P-38 one time. It flies very nice, even with very nervous and shaky fingers on the transmitter. I am beefing up the nose wheel landing gear strut before I fly it again. It definitely needs additional support. Nothing broke on it (just bent), but it is not as stable as it should be. I am using some pictures from a real P-38 that Dave Shuey showed me as a reference for building in the support similar to the real thing. Dave will try to build me the strut braces from some bar stock aluminum he has.

Being no one around this area is interested in my GP Patty Wagstaff, I am putting it together again, with the DA50 in it (which I had scheduled for my GP giant scale P-51 Mustang). It always flew nice, but I had too many large-scale airplanes to keep around, with my Morrisey Bravo, PT-19, P-38, and Mustang standing by. I will sell my P-38 as soon as I fly it enough to get all the bugs out, as I definitely have no place to keep it. With a 90"ws, it takes up allot of room, and it can't be stored standing on it's nose (nose has cannons in it). I don't like leaving my car

parked in the driveway, or the back end loaded with the P-38 all the time.

I hope everyone is getting used to the heat wave. Be sure to keep tabs on your batteries sitting in your planes under the hot sun. They can really get baked.

Till Wednesday evening, keep-em fueled and charged up.

#### Minutes of the June 3rd, 2009 Freeport R/C Modelers Meeting At Baker's Field

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. Sign in sheet and introductions went around. Present are Chuck Kuntzelman, Ed Keech, Gerald Schulke, Fred Smith, Dave Shuey, Alex Marck, Dick Potempa, Marcet Marks, Don Rasmus, Ernie Sjolín, Jack Baxter, Harry Allen, Joan Winsel, Jeff Burd, Marlin Winsel, David Nienhuis, and guest Tom Burgener. A motion was asked for, given, and passed to approve the meeting minutes as written from the May 6th meeting.

We have 27 paid memberships, 3 have to pay their mowing fee yet.

The treasurer's report: The General Fund is \$3686.05 and the mower fund has \$1423.83. Bills to pay; Port Potty cleaning, Flyers from the parade, and \$57 to Gerald Colby for the starter bench.

Motion to pay the bills carried. New bill is received from Marlin for the solar panel and charge regulator, \$341.97.

Alex's projects need to be more than general maintenance; one thing he's looking at is a frequency board. One item was improving the building and would need approval by our landowner. Doesn't sound like we can do anything that would be considered permanent. Another idea is to improve Sneek's field instead.

Freddy donated a countertop for the solar panel project.

The Social membership will be voted in the next meeting. Baker's fun-fly and display was very windy. We had one flyer – and six visitors witnessed Jeff's crash and were thrilled.

Memorial Day Parade – Craig and Dave put their planes on the pickup and trailer – 300 flyers were passed out that talked about Sneeks, Free Air Show it proclaimed, and had our website on it. All the flyers were passed out at the parade.

Marlin is handing out the volunteer list again – need more volunteers – this request is in sync with Don's newsletter. The Solar Panel

is here and will be played with after Sneeks. It will be mounted on the shed and will have cigarette lighter style outlets, etc. Jeff volunteered to do trash removal for Sneeks. Friday night dinner – Joan reports we need a few more Saturday night desserts. Joan needs the information from last year. The tables need to be on the East side of the hangar for Friday night dinner. Joan asks how many we should prepare for? A show of hands at tonight's meeting? 15 including wives. Dinner will be at 5:30. Jeff was volunteered for Banjo pickin' and grinnin'. Saturday night sides are Chicken and/or Pork with baked beans. Friday night is bringing your meat. We should buy some prizes; besides the ARF generously donated from Great Planes. 2 x \$25 gift cards, another \$50 for items. Approved. Menards gift cards. \$150 to get a nice ARF at Hobbytown, approved for Dave to get and Harry said he would go also. Gerald Colby works with 5,6,7 graders at YMCA, and would like to bring them out some Wednesday in June or July to watch us put on an airshow. Day flyers should talk about it and set it up. Dick brought up the idea of notifying the non-signed up membership about the upcoming Social membership. Tomorrow night is the Scout's training night. Freddy will hang up his new windsock at Baker's.



Next meetings: Board meeting June 24, 2009  
@ Craig  
LeBaron's home  
Club meeting July 1,  
2009  
@ Baker's  
Field

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

These minutes respectfully submitted by  
David Nienhuis.