

The Flypaper

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

Established 1963

Officers 2009

President: Craig LeBaron (815) 233-5208
Vice President: Jeff Burd (815) 235-1825
Sec/Treasurer: Dave Nienhuis (815) 262-1723

Board Members 2009

Senior Advisor: Marlin Winsel (815) 235-4631
Newsletter Editor: Don Rasmus (815) 235-4777
Safety Officer: Dave Shuey (815) 235-4705
Field Supervisor: Jim Elmer (815) 235-8728
Web Site: <http://freeportilrcmodelers.com/>

**Meeting Night: 7:PM Wednesday,
September 2nd, Baker's Field. Come
early and fly. If bad weather we will
meet at the library.**

**A nominating committee will be
appointed at this meeting.**

It's time for the annual Baker's Memorial Fun Fly. It's scheduled for the 5th of September at Baker's field of course. Get your batteries charged, and hanger rash fixed up

Some of our members won prizes at the Rockford E-Fly. Plus Fred Smith procured a couple of electric planes. The day was mostly a wash out with the bad weather.

The Rockford Open Fun Fly is coming up. The date is September 13th. It was very nice last year. Freeport was represented very well. Lets do it again.

Hilbert guys (Jim Elmer, Jeff Burd and Gary Marks and wives) all went to the Calumet Flyers Fun Fly in Hilbert, Wisconsin the 22nd of August. There were 28 registered pilots and 42 airplanes. The day was cold and windy. I heard the steak fry Saturday evening was a big success. Jeff said it was well worth the trip, and he flew several times. He sounds like he still likes his GeeBee.

Some people went to the huge R/C sale in Mendota, Illinois, and bought stuff. In fact Craig LeBaron has almost finished building a CAP-320 (or is it 232) kit he bought there.

Jeff Burd was going to join Tim Fry in the electric Fan Jet crowd with a Blue Angel version. But they are out of production so he will not be joining Tim soon. New member Tom Bergener has been out flying his scratch built electric foamy profile Extra. He built it from plans he got off the Internet. It's entirely built from sheet foam. It flies in pretty windy conditions too. Bill Hagene has been very active flying. It's about a 30-mile venture to Baker's Field for him. He lives in Apple Canyon. Ernie Sjolín has about the same distance to drive from Monticello, Wisconsin to Baker's field. He has become pretty regular also. Art Tessendorf has been flying his scratch built planes, and leaving his tools lay around Baker's Field!

Tim Fry overhauled his Thunder Tiger engine that is on his P-51 Mustang. He replaced the rear bearing. It runs better than ever now. If you need some engine work done, and don't want to send it in to the manufacturer, and don't want to do it yourself, contact Tim.

According to Duane Sneek, the crop dusters are pretty much done flying in and out of his airport. It's a good place to fly when the wind is North or South. It's good for East or West winds also. I hear Kenny Schultz has been at Sneeks flying, trying to de-tassel the corn. Duane said Kenny doesn't fly low enough to do the job.

We will have some items for a grab bag drawing at the meeting Wednesday night. Come early and look over what is available. You might find something you need.

Minutes of the August 5th, 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 David Nienhuis, Craig LeBaron, Jeff Burd, Chuck Kuntzelman, Fred Smith, LeRoy Boelkes, Ed Keech, Bill Niles, Jerry Colby, Julius Ceaser, Tom Burgener, Troy Lieb, Dave Shuey, Barb and Michelle Marck for Alex Marck, Gerald Schuelke, Jack Baxter, James Elmer, Harry Allen, Gary Marks, Marcet Marks, and Marlin Winsel.

A motion was made and passed to approve the meeting minutes as written from the July 1st meeting.

We have 29 paid memberships.

The treasurer's report: The General Fund is \$3190.96 and the mower fund has \$1423.83.

Motion carried to approve the treasurer's report.

Lawn Mower silent bids: Troy Lieb won the bid with \$60.

Alex's projects: We kind of came up on stumbling blocks getting projects approved: Dave Shuey has a couple ideas.

One would be putting on an air show the 4th of July similar to Oshkosh: a plane flies over and drops a parachute, dropping with a flag and having airplanes loop around the parachute. Then a tight formation of three planes fly over. There's a video of it on Youtube. Funds would have to be raised to have a big flag purchased, then technical advice and organization of the whole sequence. Alex could figure out the details and then promote it to have half the city invited to see it.

Another idea would be for a temporary shelter near the flight line, a tarp that could protect us on sunny days, and also taken to Sneeks for that event.

Brackets are made for the solar panel and with some help it could be ready to go up. Some power cords still need to be procured and a cabinet needs to be made for the electrical hookups. Marlin needs some time away from work to get it done.

Jeff will start to work on the Swap Meet; getting the magazine info going and get a raffle permit for the first Sunday in December the 6th.

The library called and if we don't meet at the field next month then the library only has the history room available.

September 5th is Baker's Memorial Fun Fly.

Jim Elmer shared that Marlin Winsel told him there was a tombstone North of the Freeport Visitor's Center; at the Gund cemetery there's a tombstone with several airplanes and a rocket marked on it.

Next meetings: Board meeting August 26th, 2009 @ Craig LeBaron's home

Club meeting September 2nd, 2009 @ Baker's Field

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

These minutes respectfully submitted by David Nienhuis.