



PLANE TALK

PROP MASTERS R/C NEWSLETTER



AMA CHARTER CLUB #397

NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

AUGUST, 2020

Hi Guy's,

It is August and the flying season is going by fast. We had a late start due to COVID 19. The field looks great, and several of us have been flying so come out and join us, you can see when we are out on Slack, hope you have joined.

There has been a lot of discussion about the club buying a finder for our aircraft. It has two parts one is the locator and the other is a transmitter you put in your aircraft. The transmitter cost around \$50.00 and you can use one for all your aircraft just put it in the aircraft you are flying that day. The transmitter has its own battery. We are thinking about keeping the locator in the stand. This will make it much easier to find lost aircraft.

We have not had a fun fly this year. So, keep a eye on your email. I might have a President Fun Fly soon. We are doing quite a bit of training and are willing to do more if you want training come on out on Tuesday and Thursday, we are there from around 1PM until dusk. I try to get out one day on the weekend and will be willing to do some training. On the weekend you will need to bring your own trainer airplane. On Tuesday and Thursday we have trainer aircraft with us.

Our club meetings will continue to be held on Zoom, for the foreseeable future. As much as we would like to have our meetings in person, it is not safe to do yet. And until there is a vaccine or the pandemic is over it will not be. We will figure out how to have a end of year auction.

Fly And Be Safe
PRES

Tommy





Financial Report

Bill Hickey



Financial Report

July 1, 2020 to July 31, 2020

Description	Operating Fund	Field Fund	Total	Comments
Balance July 1, 2020	\$1,692.00	\$3,523.04	5,215.04	
Income:				
Dues	40.00	40.00	80.00	Welcome Brent Litzer
Donation		270.00	270.00	Bill Barclay's planes, Thanks Bill
Total Income	40.00	310.00	350.00	
Total Cash Available	1,732.00	3,833.04	5,565.04	
Expenses:				
Board expenses	11.00		11.00	
Total Expenses	11.00	-	11.00	
Balance July 31, 2020	\$1,721.00	\$3,833.04	\$5,554.04	

Bill Hickey, Prop Masters Treasurer
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Meeting Minutes

Jeff Cowan



Meeting minutes - July 28, 2020

Opening:

Due to COVID-19, the club met virtually. The meeting began at 7:30 PM via Zoom. 18 members attended. President Tom Camp presided. The June 30th meeting minutes were approved as published in the July Newsletter. The July Treasury Report was read and approved; including explanation of Treasury Report correction published in the July Newsletter.

Committee

Reports:

Newsletter	Ray Luchetti: OK. Not a lot of material, need contributions.
Safety	Mike Pettinger: Several experiences with plane crashes were shared. Mike described the crash of his Tower Hobbies 40 trainer. Wings snapped off recovering from a Split S maneuver converting fuselage into an uncontrolled torpedo into the ground. An illustration of why we don't fly over the pits or people.
Fun Fly	Tom Camp: Scheduled a real fun fly event for Saturday 8/11 at 10:00 am. Fast/Slow? Anyone interested, come on out.
Forest Preserve	Tom Camp: Field in great shape. Ticks are terrible. Use bug spray. New wind sock is up. Thanks to those who got it installed.
Website	Mike Pettinger: A bit behind with publishing newsletters.
Library	No report.
Instruction	Tom Camp/Mick Pfeifer: Around 7 students so far; plus Dennis and Jack. Lots of airtime in recent weeks. Tuesday and Thursday training days. Other days by appointment.
Fundraising	No report.
Publicity	Harlan Davis; Nothing to report
Nomination	No report.
Air Show/Picnic	No report.

Old Business:

- Harlan Davis: Is solar panel possible at the field to charge batteries. Bill Hickey reminded us that this has been discussed in previous years with conclusion that it's more money than the resource would be worth. Significant concern that it would be stolen. Not a significant need given current practices.
- Bill Hickey: Reviewed dues and membership requirements.
- Bill Hickey/Jeff Cowan: Shared recent experience with Real Flight simulated flying event. Bill, Ron, and Jeff participated. A lot of fun. Live chat within Real Flight application was extremely helpful. Created a more interactive experience. We focused mainly on FPV type flying. Need to try this again maybe with a larger group and view from field pilot stations. Seems to be interest in future group RF events.

New Business:

- Bill Hickey: With all that's not been going on this year, there's plenty of money on-hand. Bill asking for ideas on how to spend it.
- David Engel: Recommended a trickle charger to keep battery charged on late model cars during these COVID times. We're just not driving enough these days to keep it charged otherwise. Can't fly when you're having to



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take your car to the shop.

- Tom Camp: Community United Methodist Church (physical meeting site) is beginning to open up for club meetings with a max of 40 people and other constraints. Discussed option for returning to physical meetings or continuing with Zoom/virtual meetings. Club decided to continue with Zoom/virtual for several more months and then reassess the situation.

New Members & Guests: None

Society of Aircraft Demolishers (SAD):

Tom Camp/Dennis Grillo - reversed ailerons.

Jack McPherson- Tiger 2.

Mike Pettinger - Tower Hobbies 40 Trainer, wing failure.

Show and Tell:

(No photos)

None

Raffle

None.

Closing:

Next meeting Tuesday August 25, 7:30 PM will again be virtual. Zoom meeting details will be sent to all members at least 1 week prior.

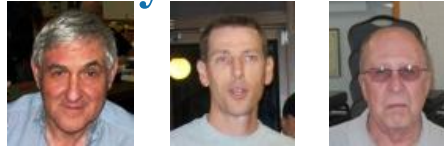
Newsletter Contributions

Send newsletter contributions to the
Newsletter Editor at rluchetti@att.net.

The deadline for submissions is the
second Tuesday of the month.
Club Newsletters are posted at the club
website: www.propmastersrc.org.



Fun Fly Committee



2020 Calendar

Date	Event Type	Event Details	Notes
January 7 th	Monthly Meeting	Annual Christmas meeting and points auction.	
January 28 th	Monthly Meeting		
February 25 th	Monthly Meeting		
March 31 st	Monthly Meeting		Meeting canceled due to COVID - 19 requirements.
April 4 th	Fun Fly	Fly and Glide	Field closed due to COVID - 19 requirements
April 28 th	Monthly Meeting		Meeting held electronically using "Zoom".
May 2 nd	Fun Fly	Fast and Slow	Field closed due to COVID - 19 requirements.
May 26 th	Monthly Meeting		Zoom meeting.
May 30 th	Fun Fly	TBA	Cancelled
June 6 th & 7 th	Special Event	Festival of Flight at Clow Airport	Cancelled
June 30 th	Monthly Meeting		Zoom meeting.
July 11 th	Air Show	Air Show	
July 28 th	Monthly Meeting		
August 1 st	Fun Fly	Fast/Slow	Cancelled
August 25 th	Monthly Meeting		
August 29 th	Picnic Fun Fly	Picnic or Fun Fly	
September 29 th	Monthly Meeting		
October 3 rd	Fun Fly	Qualification	
October 27 th	Monthly Meeting		
November 24 th	Monthly Meeting		
December 29 th	Monthly Meeting	Annual Christmas meeting Auction	

Tom Camp/Jack MacPherson



Prop Masters Organization & Contact Information

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Position	Name	Email address	Phone #
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Next Meeting:

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