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A PLANE VIEW

By Mike Zellars - President

Hello Everyone, I hope that all is well and you are taking advantage of this great weather lately.

First and foremost, I would like to extend my best wishes to all members and their families for a superb holiday season. It is certainly my favorite time of the year between the weather and being reminded what is so important this time of year, family.

Speaking of family, I am excited to let everyone know we will be having a family day the second Saturday of December. The club will supply main meal and drinks, hopefully everyone will do the usual and bring sides and dessert! I look forward to seeing you. We will also have a box out for our annual Toys for Tots so please bring something to help fill it up!

I was out at the field during the week last week and it was reminded of just what a fantastic flying site we have. I been to a bunch of flying fields over the last 20 plus years or so and ours is right there at the top of list. It probably also helped that our VOLUNTEER lawn crew had just completed a fresh cut. You know who they are so please, next time you see one of these guys take a couple seconds and thank them.

I do have a little time off over the holiday's so I plan to take full advantage and get some flights in myself. I hope to see you all out there. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL RADIO CONTROL CLUB WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY DECEMBER 2ND AT THE FIELD STARTING AT 9:00AM!

IRCC MEETING MINUTES

October 2017

Recorded by Ian Clark - Secretary

The November monthly meeting of the Imperial R/C Club was brought to order at 9:00 am by President Mike Zellars. A motion was made and passed to accept the October minutes as posted in the club newsletter, Propwash.

Visitors and New Members: We would like to welcome new member Jeff Willis.

Treasurers Report: Dan Hudson reported that all our bills are current and that he has started collecting dues for next year.

Membership Report: Our current membership stands at 131 members with 14 of those being junior members.

Instructors Report: Dan Hudson has two students and they are progressing well.

Field Maintenance Report: Wayne Pontius has been working on ant control. It has been reported that the hogs have come back and started tearing up the field again. There has been extra activity around the helicopter area. Jim Giallombardo and Luc Boulais spent time repairing the helicopter building pad that was damaged by the hurricane in September.

Safety Report: All is well at the field.

Old Business: Our Golden Age of Aviation has been cancelled due to conflicts with other AMA events on the same day.

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IRCC MEETING MINUTES

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New Business: The 5 nominees put forth by the executive committee to lead our club were unopposed therefore a motion was made and passed to accept the following members as our next year officers.

President Gerald (Jerry) McGhee

Vice President David DeWitt
Treasurer Dan Hudson
Secretary Ian Clark
Director Mike Zellars

Moe Grandmaison spent a lot of time and materials making a beautiful shelf that looks like an open wing section. He has offered to sell it to the club at his cost. The club will use it as a raffle prize at our next major event.



Image above is from the July 2017 Edition of Model Aviation

Jack Buie and Gary Snyder gathered all of the late Don LaPointe's airplanes and building materials. Don's wife, Marge, wanted to donate it to the club. Our club has the items for sale and proceeds will go in the club's treasury.

New Events: It was brought up that we are due for another family day. The club voted to hold it on December 9th. We will provide the meat and members are asked to bring a covered dish. We will hold a swap meet and a container for donations to the Toys for Tots program will be there.

David Raff just came from meeting with the Plant City Chamber of Commerce. They have again extended the invitation for our club to display our hobby at the Planes, Trains and Automobiles show at the Plant City Airport. A motion was made and passed to support the event. It is to be held on February 24, 2018 at the Plant City airport.

Sportsmanship Award: Our helicopter building pad was pulled up by winds from the hurricane in September. Jim Giallombardo and Luc Boulais spent a lot of time repairing it. For their work, they were given the award to take home.

50/50: Wally Sundey was this month's winner. After much deliberation, he donated his share back to the club.

A motion was made and passed to close the November meeting.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION!

Member Ron Wyncoop had a little surprise recently when he opened one of his Lipo "charging" bags and discovered that one of the batteries had begun leaking inside. Ron reported that these batteries had not been charged in about 3 months and wasn't sure what the charge or discharge voltage was at the time of leakage. He attempted to discharge but found that there was no voltage registering. In addition, the leaking battery





severely damaged the charging bag. He contacted the company that he bought the battery from (VENOM RC) and sent the pictures above to them when he filed a claim. Ron stated that they responded back immediately to the claim and offered the following explanation and resolution. "Having a battery "puff" like this is normally a sign of too low of a C-rating for the application it is being used for. Based on this we would like to offer you a free upgrade to a 50C 4S 3600mah battery. We also noticed that the battery ruined your safety sack so we would like to give you a new one as well"

Ron received both a new "upgraded" battery and a replacement charging bag a few days later. How's that for customer service!





FAMILY DAY SWAP MEET

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 9th

We'll Provide the
Entree - Drinks - Fun!
You Bring The Family, A
Covered Dish and Something
To Put A Smile On A Young
Childs Face This Holiday
Season!





MAKE PLANS NOW TO JOIN YOUR FELLOW IRCC FLYING BUDDIES FOR A FANTASTIC DAY OF FUN, FOOD, FRIENDS AND OF COURSE FLYING AT OUR UPCOMING FAMILY DAY EVENT BEING HELD ON THE SECOND SATURDAY OF DECEMBER!





COMING EVENTS









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Have something of interest that you would like to share. Please forward to the editor at

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