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## MEMBER MEETING MINUTES ~

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Ray Carlson at 2:00 PM on May, 27<sup>th</sup> with 13 members and 5 guests in attendance.

The minutes of the prior meeting were read by Acting Secretary Jim Waybright and were approved as read.

There was no Treasurer's report.

### Old Business

There was no old business.

### New Business

Jim Waybright gave his field status report:

Thanks to Bill Young for bush-hogging all the areas around the flying field prior to the Air Show.

Thanks to "Caje", the field now has a new engine test stand.

At this time all five of our mowers are in running condition.

I received an anonymous donation of \$20.00 last month for gas.

I can get MARKS T-Shirts for \$22.50 each. Let me know what size you want. Shirt orders must include payment when ordering. Someone suggested getting different styles of shirts. Gardner Sign's on Snow Hill Road has the Club's digital images, and will do any style of shirt or other items. You may go there and tell them what you want or let me know what you would like and I will order it for you. I have new summer hats in stock available for \$15.00 each.

The following comments about this year's air show were given:

There were too many contest events linked together which the spectators couldn't see.

The food supplied by "No Barbecue" was very good however the prices were somewhat expensive.

Next year consider changing the Air Show from Memorial weekend.

Consider different means of advertising for next year's show.

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## President's Thoughts

Hello Marksmen ~

Sorry I missed the meeting. Ray was gracious enough to fill in. He always does a good job and did so this time. Between the Airshow and the meeting - 4 new members isn't bad. With 2 new FPV pilots in the Club now and new legislation from the AMA in reference to FPV, we will have to make a change to our Club Bylaws. The new regs require a spotter capable of taking over control of FPV aircraft. Our secretary has the info. We'll work on it next meeting.

Having lost our advertising when *Wings and Wheels* cancelled, we still had a respectable turnout for the Airshow; better luck next year. Everyone in attendance seemed to have a good time. By the way - those of you who did not attend - you really missed out on some really great food. John Lord really has it going on. A personal thank you to all who helped organize, set up, participate, and finally, tear down and clean up. Thank You All!!

Better weather is on its way so hope to see you all at the field. Keep in mind the meeting coming up with the important issue of a Bylaws change. So for now - be safe, happy flying and God Bless.

Harry

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The following comments about this year's air show were given: (continued)

Start now to plan next year's show.

Make sure all AMA safety rules are followed.

At our next meeting, we will vote whether to continue the 50/50 drawing at our meetings.

The following new members were approved:

Victor Miriel, Aidon Miriel, Joe Brown, Vernon Wilkerson, and Kyle Hammond

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Waybright, Acting Secretary

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## All Season Flyers

Congratulations to the following MARKS members who are earning All Season Flyer status for 2018 by flying and registering their flights through May ~



Tom Bell  
Ray Bertrand  
John Burnett  
Ray Carlson  
John Carroll

“Caje” Chandler  
Wally Makuchal  
Harry Semenko  
Jason Taylor  
Jon Watson

Jim Waybright  
Fred White  
Rick Witherow

**Upcoming Events at  
Waybright Field  
Next Membership  
Meeting  
June 24<sup>th</sup>**



Please **Do Not Exceed** the **10 MPH** speed limit when driving in or out of our flying field!

## FLYING FPV AIRCRAFT

There recently has been conversation among some of the Club members about the AMA rules relevant to flying FPV aircraft. The following information is being provided to aid in that discussion:

### Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA)

The AMA's [official Safety Code's](#) rules (which governs flying at AMA affiliated fields) allows FPV flight under the parameters of [AMA Document #550](#), which **requires that FPV aircraft be kept within visual line of sight with a spotter maintaining unaided visual contact with the model at all times.** Because these restrictions prohibit flying beyond the visual range of the pilot (an ability which many view as the most attractive aspect of FPV), most hobbyists that fly FPV do so outside of regular sanctioned RC clubs' membership and those clubs' flying fields.

### Delaware RC Club

The Editor of the Delaware RC Club's monthly newsletter had this to say on the subject as published in the latest issue of the *Glitch Busters*:

“...I would like to remind people that in addition to flying line of sight both FAA and AMA require people flying FPV to have a spotter. This makes sense since by definition someone flying FPV can not see the model he is flying or the area outside the range of the camera. Line of sight does not just apply to distance, but also to flying behind objects. Flying behind buildings, hill sides, or through woods are all prohibited. The spotter must be able to see the aircraft at all times. I'm sure that this whole concept takes a lot of the fun out of flying FPV. But an airplane or mutli-rotor flying through the woods at full throttle will not be aware of anyone just around the bend till a near miss or worse occurs. Imagine what would happen if one of our neighbors got curious about the noises in the trees and went to investigate.”