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MEMBER MEETING MINUTES ~

The meeting was called to order by President Wally Makuchal at 7:00 PM on Thursday, July 30th with 14 members in attendance.

Jason read the minutes from the prior meeting and they were approved as read.

There was no Treasurer's report.

Old Business

The Club picnic was held on Saturday July 25th with minimal attendance. Discussion on holding another event later in the day. Follow up discussion at the next meeting.

Fred White advised membership that the previously discussed financial plan for MARKS has been completed and passed on on the Treasurer. The board will meet prior to next month's meeting and present membership with updates.

Wally with discussion on a previously mentioned float fly. Event planning pending.

Jim advised membership that all of the nitro fuel has been sold.

Harry advised membership that the plaque has been installed in the memorial board.

The weed eater donated by Harry was unable to be repaired. A new weed eater will be purchased as discussed and approved at the June membership meeting.

Jason advised membership that due to weather the Tech event for kids in Snow Hill (continued on page 2)

PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS ~

Hello everyone.

I hope we're all doing well during these crazy times we're living in. It felt great to start flying again with our recent family picnic and our last meeting. As was mentioned at the meeting, kudos to the guys tending the field and keeping it looking so nice. We can't thank you enough for that daunting task, especially with the recent July heat wave.

Regarding the new business of upgrading our clubhouse facility: I'm truly in favor of improving the atmosphere of our club. I do not, however, want to give the impression that this is something we need to do right away. I'm hoping we get this done within a year without interfering with our regular budget or raising membership dues. I'd call it a bucket list item for now. More info about it next meeting.

Also glad to see about 50% of our members at the last meeting in spite of the Pandemic - that's encouraging. Being back at the field and flying again has put me in the mood to finish my Waco biplane project I started about a year ago! I'll have to clean the dust off the table first and buy some new CA glue.... that does not age well.

I'll see you at the next meeting. God Bless.

Wally Makuchal

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had been canceled. No date has been set for reschedule.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim's field report:

- 1. We had another mower break down this month. The 48" John Deere mower used to mow the runway and pit had two of the three blade spindles bearing fail. I purchased a new set of three spindles and a set of blades. The deck also has a rusted out area that needed to be repaired by welding. "Caje" and John Burnett completed the repair and reassembled the mower. The total cost of the mower repair was \$169.15.
- 2. We spent \$38.92 for gas this month.
- 3. The flag was tattered so I purchased a new one and replaced the old one.
- 4. If you accidently hit the white safety fence and break it, please leave all the pieces at the fence because it makes the repair easier.
- The field is in the best shape ever.
 Sometimes we need to mow it twice a week.
 Thanks to all the guys for mowing each week.

Jim with discussion on the Club obtaining WiFi at the field. Motion made and passed for Jim to research what will be required and present at the next meeting.

Jason with a discussion on upgrading the current shade structure to a double size car port. The idea would be to hold a President's challenge to raise the funds. President Makuchal noted he would donate \$500.00 to the cause. Motion made and passed for Jason to (continued on page 3)

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research this further and present more information at the next meeting.

With no other business to discuss a motion was made and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Taylor AMA Leader Member Secretary AMA #333

Future Events

Member Meeting August 27th

7:00 PM



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

All Season Flyers

Maryland Governor Hogan issued a "stay-at-home" order effective March 31, 2020. He subsequently lifted that order effective at 5 PM on May 15th. That order prevented members from flying to meet the All Season Flyers requirement during April and until May 15th. We expect that the AMA will issue instructions for determining eligibility for achieving All Season Flyer status for 2020. In the interim, we offer congratulations to the following MARKS members who are earning the All Season Flyer status for 2020 by flying and registering their flights through March 30th ~



Tom Bell Ray Bertrand John Burnett Ray Carlson Wally Makuchal Robin Mutchler Shye Sarig Harry Semenko Jason Taylor Jon Watson Jim Waybright Fred White Rick Witherow