

Mid Atlantic Radio Kontrol Society, Inc.  
AMA Club Number 333  
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## MEMBER MEETING MINUTES ~

The meeting was called to order by President Wally Makuchal at 4:00 PM on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> with 14 members and 1 guest in attendance.

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

The Treasurer's report was given by John Haffner and was accepted.

## Old Business

Ray Carlson advised membership that the new windsock has been installed. Looks great however it only appears to read East and West wind directions.

Harry Semenko advised membership that the In Memoriam plaque will be updated within the next few weeks.

## New Business

Jim's field reports for May and June:

1. We had a major problem with the Gravely mower. After getting the engine rebuilt, the left hand blade spindle froze up while mowing. It gets worse - that spindle has a double belt cast iron pulley on it for the drive belts. It took the guys three or four hours using a torch and pulley puller to get it off without causing any damage. We were being very careful because a replacement pulley (if you could find one) cost \$162.00. A new spindle cost \$210.00. So we decided to rebuild the old one using new bearings and spacers. When it was disassembled, the spindle shaft had been

worn down about three eights of an inch. If a new shaft could be found, the cost would be over \$100.00. Shye Sarig took the shaft to Diamond State Machining and had it spray welded and machined back to specs.

Although this is a very expensive process, they did it Pro Bono. The club has written them a nice thank you letter for their generosity. While we had the deck apart we decided to replace the bearings and spacers in all three spindles. Both of the spindle belts were damaged and needed to be replaced. The deck had a couple of holes, and "Caje" and Ray Bertrand repaired them by welding metal patches. We spent about \$200.00 on the repair. Both the engine and deck have been rebuilt, and the mower should give us many years of service. Thanks to all who helped with the project!

2. The bolts that held the muffler on the White 50" stripped. A new muffler cost \$60.00. "Caje" was able to temporarily repair it, but we will need to buy one before too long. I would like to have the Club's approval for such a major purchase.

3. The Club fuel is at the field for \$23.00. There are only 3 gallons left so the first person who puts the money In the Munchie Fund Can is the one who buys them.

4. Bill Young spread the fertilizer, and has bush hogged the areas we don't mow several times.

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5. I purchased a new windsock for the field and some of the guys installed it. Thanks Guys!

6. The Club received a \$20.00 donation for gas. I bought gas with it.

7. We changed the oil and filters on the mowers this month now all the mowers are in good shape for mowing.

Harry Semenکو with request to amend a previously passed motion to reimburse Bill Young for cutting the outlining areas. Previous passed motion for \$50.00. New motion to increase the amount to \$100.00. Motion passed.

Motion to purchase a new muffler for one of the mowers. Motion passed.

Ray Carlson initiated a conversation in regards to changing the meeting dates and times. After discussion a motion was made and passed to change the monthly membership meeting to the last Thursday of each month at 7pm.

"Cage" with request for motion to purchase a new weed eater for the field. After discussion Harry Semeko advised membership that he would donate a Craftsman weed eater to the Club that has only been used once and he has a new carb for the unit. After further discussion, a motion was made and passed to obtain the weed eater from Harry and if it does not work correctly the Board could vote at any time to approve the purchase of a new one.

Ray Carlson with discussion on having a MARKS picnic. After further discussion a motion was made and passed to hold a MARKS picnic on Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at noon. All membership family and friends are invited. (Continued on page 3)

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Fred White offered to work with John Haffner to prepare a financial analysis to determine number of members needed to sustain the Club at present level of dues.

Jason with discussion on an upcoming Tech event for kids being held on July 21st at the Snow Hill Rec Center. The event will be from 6 - 730pm. Membership is invited to display and fly.

Wally with discussion on the 2020 **Teach A Kid To Fly** program. After discussion it was decided to cancel the program for 2020.

Jim with discussion on holding an auction for the DR1 that was donated by Robert English. Minimum bid will be \$250.00. Jerry Davis advised he would submit a bid. After discussion membership approved the bid and the aircraft was sold to Jerry for \$250.00. Jerry donated an additional \$50.00 to the Club. Jim recommended the Club reimburse "Cage" \$80.00 for supplies to complete the DR 1. Motion made and passed.

An auction will be held after the meeting for items donated from the estate of Chuck Johnson.

Guest Scott Richards introduced himself to the membership and noted he would like to join the Club. A motion was made and passed to approve membership. Welcome to the Club, Scott. Scott will need assistance with flight training.

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  
 Thursday July 30<sup>th</sup>  
 7:00 PM

Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup>  
 MARKS Family Picnic  
 12:00 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 15<sup>th</sup>. That order prevented members from flying to meet the All Season Flyers requirement during April and until May 15<sup>th</sup>. 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

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Jim Waybright  
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