



Flying Tigers Radio Control Club Inc.

August 2005 Meeting Minutes

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Call to Order: 20h20 (8:20 PM)

Executive Present:

Nick Saraco – President, Rod Hopkins – Treasurer, Jim Daly – Secretary, Brian Facey – Officer at Large

Members present: 20

The President called the meeting to order at 20h20 and welcomed all in attendance.

Minutes for the July meeting were distributed to the members as they arrived. Nick asked that the minutes be accepted as printed. The members voted to accept the minutes, unanimously.

Nick reminded all of the importance of field security. Make sure to lock the gate when leaving. One of our neighboring clubs, The Stoney Creek Hawks just recently were vandalized and their equipment shed was burnt to the ground with all equipment inside lost. One of the Instructors made note that not all of them had keys to the lock on the storage shed and requested more keys be cut and distributed to those that required them. A discussion followed on whether or not a combination lock should be used instead of a keyed lock. It was decided since a combination is not as secure, i.e. it can be spread by word of mouth, that the keyed lock would remain and all Instructors would be issued a key. Chief Field Dog, Brian Facey to look after the procurement and distribution of the keys.

Nick mentioned that long time member Ron Mattiuz's mother had passed away recently and suggested the club members express their condolences when next they saw him. It was also announced that Ron would be moving to BC shortly. Nick expressed his sadness at losing such a knowledgeable and valued club member, instructor, Chief Test Pilot and friend.

Nick asked if there were any guests in attendance. Three people identified themselves, unfortunately their names were not recorded.

MIDDLE ZONE FUN-FLY: Nick asked for a show of hands of those who would be attending the Zone Fun-Fly. He reminded all that our club was responsible for running the Transmitter Impound. He asked for volunteers to assist Friday Night in setup of the impound. Tables, shelters and the generator needed to be moved from our field to the Stoney Creek Airport. It was decided that Rod Hopkins would pick-up the required items on Thursday night allowing everyone to meet at the Stoney Creek Airport on Friday night at 7:00 PM to setup.

CLUB FUN-FLY: It was announced that the Annual club Fun-Fly would be held on Saturday the 24th of September, 2005. There will be a little bit of a departure from the norm this year as it will be open to Members only and will be more of a Pot-Luck-Lunch affair. As the title implies everyone is asked to bring something, for lunch. The organizers, Terry Tupper & Nick Saraco, will have more information at the September meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The floor was then opened to the Committee Chairmen to give updates on their respective responsibilities.

FIELD: Brian Facey reported that the grass had not grown enough to cut what with all the hot & humid weather and no rain. The future of the current Transmitter impound was discussed and at this point in time the club is undecided as to whether to spend approximately \$500.00 to enlarge the current structure or to spend \$200.00 and start from scratch to provide the larger building. Nick will research with Tony about the possibility of obtaining a trailer or building a new structure and will report back to the membership at the September meeting.

TRAINING: There was no update as C.F.I. Gary Maker was not present.

FOOD: Darlene Walton reported that there was quite a surplus of soft drinks and a few dozen hamburgers left over from the summer's activities. These will be used at the upcoming club Fun-Fly and the unused portions will stay with the food Committee for next year.

SHOW AND TELL: There were no items on display.

NEW BUSINESS: The floor was opened to New Business and Joe Bajkor reminded the membership of the upcoming Electric Fun-Fly at the Seneca Aero Club in York on August 4th, 5th and 6th, this coming weekend.

PRANGED PIG: Don Brison nominated Terry Tupper for wiping out his Sig Somethin Extra.

Joe Bajkor nominated Duane Bouyea for re-kitting one of his helicopters. While performing some very violent maneuvers Duane managed to cut the tail rotor of his own helicopter, this is known as a boom strike. Duane and Joe were picking up pieces of the chopper and spent hours looking for the gyro only to discover that Duane had placed his Transmitter directly on top of it.

Joe also nominated Chris Pare for crashing his Raptor 30 helicopter. Not a good month for choppers!

Duane won by a landslide and sheepishly accepted this time honored club mascot so that it could be displayed proudly at home for all to see

FIFTY/FIFTY DRAW:

The 50/50 Draw took place with the \$39.00 prize won by Ralph Martin.

Next meeting is Wednesday September 7th, 2005, 20h00, (8:00 PM).

Meeting adjourned at 21h30.

Recorded by: James Daly, Club Secretary