



Flying Tigers Radio Control Club Inc.

September 2005 Meeting Minutes

03 August 2005

Call to Order: 20h25 (8:25 PM)

Executive Present:

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

Members present: 18

The President called the meeting to order at 20h25 and welcomed all in attendance.

Minutes for the August meeting were distributed to the members after the Secretary arrived a little late. Nick asked that the minutes be accepted as printed. The members voted to accept the minutes, unanimously.

The President announced that the club mailing address had changed to the following: *Flying Tigers RC Club, Zeller's Postal Outlet, P.O. Box 30066, 1576 Upper James Street, Hamilton ON L9B 1K0.*

Nick asked if there were any guests in attendance. A Mr. Dave White identified himself as previously being a modeler whom was now returning to the hobby after a prolonged hiatus and was looking to join the club.

It was announced that starting with the October meeting members would be receiving pre-printed Club Membership Renewal forms. The member has only to review the information and make any necessary changes to the data then return it with their payment.

MIDDLE ZONE FUN-FLY: Nick announced the Middle Zone Fun-Fly was a big success and had actually made money. While one of the major expenses was the Port-O-Potties the no-charge use of the Stoney Creek Agricultural Airport and the donation of the food wagon by the Lyons Club and the proceeds from Concession Sales allowed the event to raise \$400.00 for the local Children's Miracle Wish Fund. The membership were asked if they would like to participate again next year and their answer was a unanimous and enthusiastic "YES."

CLUB FUN-FLY: The members were reminded 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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

FIELD: Brian Facey reported that the new fencing for the Pitts would be installed later this year. He mentioned that one of the Pilot's Stations had been damaged and asked if anyone knew how this came to be. No one present could shed any light on the subject. He suggested that perhaps he would fill the bottom of the units with sand as perhaps the wind had picked it up and cause the damage. He Thanked Dick Koning for all his help during the past year with. Dick has been the person whom has diligently been keeping the grass on the runway and in the Pitts so nicely manicured. Members were reminded that Garbage Day is on Wednesdays and were asked NOT to put the garbage out on Tuesday nights as the local "critters" will get into it.

The new Transmitter Impound was discussed next. It was estimated to cost between \$2000 and \$2500 to build a new structure. It was suggested we try and by the lumber from local reatailers like Slack Lumber in Empire Corners and see if perhaps we could get a small discount or donation. The new structure is to be 10 ft x 16 ft and will have the current frequency board mounted on the structure. The old Tx Impound will be kept intact and moved down beside the existing Storage Shed. Dick Koning has volunteered to head the project but would appreciate all the help he could get from the mebership

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

SWAP MEET: Members were reminded that the swap meet will be held on Saturday November 5th, 2005 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The hall will be open at 8:00 AM for the Vendors. Tables are \$10.00 each.

COMBAT: Nick reported that after the Combat Demos held at the GLMAAE both the Niagara and St. Catherine's clubs expressed interest in finding out more about this portion of the hobby. Nick & Terry are arranging a night or nights to go and give a talk to their membership.

NEW BUSINESS: The floor was opened to New Business and Ron Matuiz announced his intention of leaving the club as he was moving to BC. He asked the membership if they new anyone in any of the clubs in the greater Vancouver area. There was no response. He did mention that he had been in contact with several clubs but had not made his mind up yet. He anticipates moving in a couple of months.

Several members voiced their concerns over the lack of available instructors on several occasions throughout the training year. Nick said he would look into the situation.

PRANGED PIG: Terry Tupper nominated Don Brison for his single engine out mishap with his PBY. Don was doing some flybys and was setting up to land when he lost an engine on final and could not recover from the adverse yaw caused by the out engine. The aircraft was damaged on impact but appears repairable.

Rod nominated Darlene and her Cub for some erratic behavior at the Zone Fun-Fly.

Jim Daly was nominated for the untimely demise of his H9 Cap 232. It seems he may have gotten a little to far out and became disoriented. The Cap was last seen spiraling down into the freshly plowed farmers' field in the northwest corner of the property.

The members voted as follows: Don – 3, Darlene – 11, Jim – 5. So once more the Pig finds a home!

FIFTY/FIFTY DRAW:

The 50/50 Draw took place with the \$46.00 prize won by Rob Weiss.

Next meeting is Wednesday October 5th, 2005, 20h00, (8:00 PM).

Meeting adjourned at 21h30.

Recorded by: James Daly, Club Secretary