

THE CARRIER WAVE



PHANTOM FLYERS R/C CLUB



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Newsletter of the Phantom Flyers R/C Club

<http://phantomflyersrc.com>

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Phantom Flyers R/C Club Meeting Minutes – 21, October 2024

Attendees: 9 club members were in attendance, Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm. Members were, Ed White, Jose Espinosa, Bill Reape, Harold Weaver.

New Members: None

Technical Session: None

Secretary's Report: The minutes were sent out for the September meeting. There was a motion by Jose Espinosa and seconded by Ed White. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: Jose reported there is around \$4,800.00 in the account. The expenses for the Pattern contest are still out. Runway repair and a belt and pulley for the mower was paid for.

Safety Report. No reported incidents.

Field Managers report: Don reported the runway painting and repair is completed.

Activities Report: The EDF fun fly was well attended and everyone enjoyed the day. The Pattern Contest was a success. It was postponed for a week due to the weather and there were some road work issues that created a challenge but overall, it was a success.

The Fun Fly was also a success. There were a couple of crashes, “don't watch the ball drop while flying” was mentioned.

Christmas party plans are December 7 at JJs restaurant at 6:30pm. Everyone on their own check. Please contact Bill Reape or Ed White if you plan to attend so we can get a approx. count for the restaurant.

GSLMA Report: Harold reported he will be sending a text to the GLSMA officers about if any contact has been made and what are the plans for 2025.

Old Business : FAA authorization form is on the website. Phantom Flyers is the only club in the nation to have a clearance above 400 feet.

Safety rules are posted at the field.

Officers for next year and collecting dues for next year reminder.

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm

Respectfully submitted, Bill Reape

https://www.faa.gov/uas/recreational_fliers/knowledge_test_updates/

<https://dronetrust.com/faq-trust/>

!!We have two critical orders of business that we must complete at the November meeting.!!

1) In order to make room in the container for the mower Saints are donating to us, we need to divest ourselves of the smaller Lexmark z-turn mower. A suggestion has been made and discussed by the officers and board of directors to donate the mower to another club (Wright Flyers). The officers and Board of Directors are supportive of this proposal. But I feel strongly that it needs to be discussed and voted upon at a regular club business meeting. The timing of everything means that has to be at Monday's November club meeting.

Please join the Zoom meeting if you want to be part of the discussion and vote. If we don't do this, we will need to have a plan and identified people who have volunteered to make that plan happen within 2 weeks at the most. However, we vote to do this, that vote will take place on Monday and will be final.

2) Second order of business required by our constitution/bylaws is the election of officers for 2025. The current slate of candidates is:

President Ed White
VP Jan Jansen
Secretary Bill Reape
Treasurer Jose Espinosa
BoD Member Dan Sundman
BoD Member Jan Jansen

Please note: Nominations will be closed Monday at the meeting but until the slate of nominations are closed at the meeting, nominations are open and we are accepting any nominations for any of the above positions. If we end up with more than one candidate any position, we will hold an actual election.

Last item for this email is the Dinner Party is on for December 7 at JJ's in O'Fallon (there is a flyer on the club website under events).

Doors will open at 6:30. I need to give the restaurant an approximate head count. If you think you may attend, send me an email.

We currently have 15 who have responded. An RSVP is not an iron clad commitment. I just don't want to get to the restaurant and find we have 25.

Likewise, if you don't RSVP and at the last minute you decide you want to attend, **please do join us!**

The club meeting will be Monday by zoom meeting at 7 pm

Events

2024 Fun-Fly (CD- Jan Jansen)

We had the most fantastic weather imaginable and a great turn out. Before the contest Larry Anderson brought two beautiful gliders into the air. Most contestant took time for some ball drop practice.

First contest was Precision Takeoff & Landing. Three boxes of varied sizes were chalked off on the runway, one inside the other. Smallest worth 10 points, second worth 5 points and largest worth 2 points. On takeoff the pilot task was to have the main gear leave the ground in the smallest box possible. Second task was a touch & go with the same goal, have the main gear first touch be in the smallest box possible. The third task was landing and roll-out to a stop, motor off. Most spectacular carnage was Kevin with his plane busting Touch and Go. Jim retired early with engine trouble. Also of note is that Bill A., Jim and Chris all flew fast nitro planes.

Takeoff, Touch & Go and Landing contest results:

Place	Pilot	Score
1st	Bill A.	50
2nd	Bill O.	45
3rd	Chris S. & Jan J.	40
4th	Ed W. & Brian M.	37
5th	Mitch G.	27
6th	Andy S.	20
7th	Kevin C.	17
8th	Jim W.	10

Second contest was Ball Drop. The pilot task was to carry a ball in a cup attached to airplane into the air and to drop the ball as close to the target as possible. The score is from two drops. Number of paces from the target is the score. Lowest score wins. Ball over 50 paces and failed attempt gets a 50 score. I.E worst possible score is 100. This contest has a history of resulting in significant carnage. Three crashes were noted with Chris demolishing his nitro powered Ugly Stick the most spectacular.

Ball Drop contest results:

Place	Pilot	Score
1st	Brian M.	22
2nd	Bill A.	43
3rd	Bill O.	56
4th	Ed W.	59
5th	Jan J.	60
6th	Chris S.	65
7th	Mitch G.	69

Thanks to Jose for helping with judging and scoring.

Thanks all for participating.







RC Club Holiday Party



**Annual club party will be Saturday, Dec 7
at JJ's in O'Fallon, MO**

**200 Fort Zumwalt Sq,
O'Fallon, MO 63366
(Veteran's Memorial Pkwy
just west of Hwy K)**

<https://jjsinofallon.com/>

**Doors open at 6:30,
we'll order dinner off
the menu at 7**



PHANTOM FLYERS 2024 EVENT SCHEDULE

JANUARY	1	NEW YEAR FLY-IN	12:00	ED W
FEBRUARY		NONE		
MARCH		NONE		
APRIL	7	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
	27	OPEN HOUSE	10:00	
MAY	5	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
JUNE	2	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
JULY	7	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
	27&28	MEET ME IN STL PATTERN FLY	10:00	ED/JIM
AUGUST	4	2 METER SAILPLANE	10:00	LARRY/JAN
	10	OPEN HOUSE	10:00	JACK
SEPTEMBER	7	SCALE FLY-IN	10:00	DON G
	14	EDF FLY-IN	10:00	KEVIN
	28/29	PHANTOM FLYERS PATTERN CONTEST	9:00	ED W/JIM
OCTOBER	12	COMPETITION FUN FLY		
NOVEMBER		NONE		
DECEMBER	TBD	CHRISTMAS DINNER	TBD	ED W

Don't forget to renew your membership!!

<https://www.phantomflyersrc.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024-membershipform2.pdf>



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<https://www.facebook.com/Phantom-Flyers-RC-Club-139791882811519/>

Check there for the back issues of the Carrier Wave Newsletter, mowing schedule, event calendar and club roster/contact information (handy for mowing).

Articles, pictures and tech notes for publishing in the Carrier Wave are always appreciated. Let us know what you are building, repairing or flying!

Send them to:

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