



Fairfield League of Yankee Radio Controllers



MEETING MINUTES HOBBY HANGOUT MARCH 4, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: 7:29

ANY NEW MEMBERS OR GUESTS PRESENT. One guest present, Tom

MEMBERSHIP PRESENT: 20

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTHS MINUTES: February Minutes unanimously approved with no discussion.

COMMUNICATIONS: CORRESPONDENCE, NEW MEMBERS, AND GUESTS

1. **AMA Club Charter has been renewed**
2. **Grass Roots Day at the Field will be July 7.**
3. **Al Reinhart will bring his Combat Planes for Fly RC Picnic June 27 rain date 28th**
4. **SWAP Flyers Swap Meet March 22 Wallingford cancelled.**
5. **Dirty Fair June 6 at Peaceful Valley Camp Ground**

TREASURERS REPORT: Jay Wiener

1. All bills are paid we are maintaining a positive balance have collected \$1050 in dues. Taxes and rent need to be paid for 2019-2020. Need a new battery for one of the tractors

MEMBERSHIP...Bob Motta

1. There are 48 paid members paid to date we are projecting 55 total members for 2020.

FIELD MAINTENANCE:

1. Field volunteer mowing plan was huge success. Mike is setting up schedule which will be posted when all dates are covered.
2. Spring Clean Up day mid-April weather dependent
3. Roger volunteered to build the new test stands Glenn also jumped in there will be two test stands. Rings End donated all the lumber. We sent Rings End a Thank You to post in the store.
4. Filed Maintenance Grant proposal was submitted to the AMA and expect to hear back mid-April.

SOUND AND SAFETY: Rich Margules

1. We have incorporated condensed version of the AMA FPV rules into our Field and Safety Rules which will be updated and posted on our web site and at the field.
2. Mike Herrick volunteered to a Google map of the Fly RC Field which will be overlaid with the area we are allowed to fly. Approach's from the east and west will be within this boundary to prevent flying over the satellite farm and over Purchase Road.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Membership had a lengthy discussion on new FAA Proposal; a show of hands indicated 99% of members submitted their concerns to FAA, which had 50,000 responses to the proposed rule. There are at least several years before any form of implementation
2. All planes need to be identified with their AMA Registration number on the outside of the device, AMA number and personal info can be anywhere on the plane. Every plane must have this info, no exceptions. . Membership was alerted to be sure their FAA license is active though the end of 2020. If a plane is involved in an incident without AMA info and personal identification the member is not insured.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Bill Josiger was able to meet with ComSat. He and Roger were given a 2hr. tour of the facility with the station manager Guy White.
2. The station manager had done his homework on FlyRC knowing a lot about us and had NO PROBLEM WITH US BEING THERE OR OUR FLIGHT PATTERN. The approach from the East was discussed and will be in the overlay Mike is preparing.
3. There will be a fence surrounding the entire complex when the weather warms up. If a plane ends up in the ComSat facility, **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO RETRIEVE IT**. Drive down to ComSat's front gate and contact the operator (the facility is manned 24/7) via the intercom. Explain the situation and resolve how to retrieve the plane. Most likely they will retrieve it. Then immediately call Bill Josiger at 845-821-3269 and let him know what happened before ComSat calls him.
4. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES** should anyone go on ComSat property without first obtaining permission from them.
5. Don't fly over any service trucks
6. AMA Web site was discussed
7. The Low Flying Aircraft sign will be replaced, it is old and full of bullet holes.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS:

1. Invite Southbury EMT's to our Picnic so they will be acquainted with us who we/where we are and what we do. Membership agreed Mike will work with the Southbury Volunteers.

50/50 RAFFLE: Won by Ernie

SHOW AND TELL: Bob Motta showed a couple of engines.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:45pm

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronald James". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal blue line.

Secretary