



Tri-County Wing Snappers Inc.
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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
March 19, 2017
Kutztown Fire Company

President Jack Hilbert called Meeting to Order at 1:30 PM

1. 19 Members and 1 Guest Present

Agenda Items

1. 50/50 Drawing
 - a. \$19.00 won by Ed Koch generously donated back to the Club.
 - b. \$38.00 total to TCWS.
2. Candidates for Membership
 - a. None today.
3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Dennis Sell presented the March report.
 - b. Motion to accept as presented by Bill O'Neill.
 - c. Seconded by John Messersmith.
 - d. Approved by the Membership.
4. Field / Flying Safety Issues
 - a. Nothing to report until April Meeting when Flying Season begins.
 - b. Steve King - TCWS Safety Officer will review both the AMA Safety Rules as well as our TCWS site specific safety rules at our April meeting.

Old Business

1. BMA Site Update
 - a. Shed, picnic tables, etc. have all been moved from Cliff's house to the BMA Field and put into place.
 - b. Contractor will be back with seed when he cultivates the BMA soybean field.
 - c. BMA has a new 182 Cessna parked over at the field.
 - d. Dennis has received our insurance policy for our liability insurance required by BMA for our property at the site.
 - e. Will review finances at April Meeting after Swap Meet to discuss buying Canopy and Kitchen Shed.

2. Noise Level Plan
 - a. Nothing to report at this time.

3. TCWS 2017 Hamburg Swap Meet Update
 - a. Tables are 100% SOLD OUT!
 - b. Rich and Cliff will coordinate supplies needed for kitchen.
 - c. Bud Wunder is donating 2 more cans of coffee and cups for the Swap Meet.
 - d. Menu will be the same as usual. Any leftovers can be put in the freezer as always. John Messersmith volunteered his garage for storage of the freezer and its contents until there is space and electricity at the field.
 - e. Jack will send out an email concerning the Friday setup as a final reminder.
 - i. All Membership help will be appreciated.
 - ii. We are allowing vendors who have purchased (3) or more tables to set-up Friday night between 6 and 9 PM.
 - iii. Members meet Friday at BMA at 3 PM to load supplies and take to Hamburg Field House. They will let us in at 4 PM to start setting up tables and unloading supplies.
 - iv. Saturday morning Kitchen Help should be there at 5:30 AM to set up.
 - v. Vendors allowed in at 6:30 AM with orange bracelets.
 - vi. General Public allowed in at 8 AM.

4. Lebanon Swap Meet Updates
 - a. Walt said he sold some tables and passed out some Swap Meet flyers.
 - b. Our tables full of sale items, plus tables next to us were no shows so used their tables as well. We had a lot of lookers, but only a couple of planes were sold.

5. Indoor Flying Update
 - a. A volunteer Time Keeper will be needed for the April 30th Event.
 - b. Gym is currently reserved next for April 30th from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM.
 - c. There will once again be a \$10.00 landing fee.

6. Float Flying Activity Update
 - a. No update but Bud asked how we will be able to retrieve any planes that crash into the pond. Jack reassured him there is a canoe there now and we will have access to a rowboat as well.

7. Club Apparel Update
 - a. Jack had samples of new logo as it will be when printed on apparel.
 - b. Ed Brazina also had samples of embroidered logo items.
 - c. All printed orders have been filled at this time. No embroidered orders have been placed to date.

8. Watts Up Update
 - a. No update.

9. AMA Leadership Program Update
 - a. Jack had sent in an application for TCWS to be recognized for Silver Award Status in February.
 - i. What we received was *GOLD* Status instead. We received a framed certificate and gold plaque, along with Gold Status pins for each member.
 - ii. Jeff Shriver suggested we let BMA know about our Gold Status, and Jack said he will let them know at his meeting with them in 2 weeks.

10. AMA Site Improvement Grant Update
 - a. Original application was filed in January, but needed to be revised. The updated application was redone and re-submitted prior to the

March 15 deadline. Everything was accepted and approved for submission. AMA will announce the winners on April 1, 2017.

11. TCWS Club Events Update

- a. TCWS Swap Meet at Hamburg Field House 8AM- ??, 3/25/17
- b. Indoor Flying Event at BMA 1:30-4:30PM 4/30/17
- c. Static Display and RC flight demonstration at BMA 5/7/17
- d. TCWS Annual Picnic at BMA 9/17/17

New Business

1. This was our last 2017 indoor meeting at KFC.
 - a. Membership voiced no objections to making a commitment to hold our November 2017 - March 2018 meetings at KFC again.
 - i. Motion made by Bill O'Neill, 2nd by Dale Davis, approved by Membership.
2. Christmas Party again at KFC was discussed.
 - a. Dennis was concerned it was too expensive and compared prices from the last 3 years when we were at the Moose with less people, and last year at KFC with almost twice as many people.
 - i. After many other ideas, with no one wanting to take charge, Bud made a motion to have a \$5 subsidy per person and to have the Christmas party at KFC once again. Seconded by John Messersmith, and approved by the Membership.
 - ii. Every effort will be made to keep the KFC costs as low as possible without jeopardizing the quality of the event.

Next Meeting:

April 9, 2017 - 1:30 PM at BMA Pavilion. Lunch will be available at 12:30 PM.

Close Meeting

1. Motion made by Bud Wunder at 2:25 PM to adjourn meeting.
2. Seconded by Walt Gladney.
Unanimously approved!

Respectfully submitted,
Nanci Messersmith, TCWS Secretary