

**Tri County Wing Snappers**  
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
March 18, 2018  
Kutztown Fire Co.

**Call to Order**

- (11) Members and (1) guest were present

**Agenda Items**

50/50 drawing was won by Mike Correll- \$12.00 and graciously donated winnings back to TCWS

Reading of the Treasurer's report - Dennis Sell read the report

- Motion to accept by Bud Wunder
- Seconded by Mike Correll
- Unanimously approved

Any Field / Indoor Safety Issues to Report

- No updates reported

Field Maintenance Issues to Report?

- Bill O'Neil reported he recently ran the tractor and it is fine - Runway had some reported "rut damage" from a full-size plane but has since been repaired
- Jack Hilbert is handling the top seeding of grass around the pavilion and organic fertilizer.

**Old Business**

**1. Indoor Flying Update**

- a. Our indoor events have been progressively more successful with each event
- b. The last scheduled event may be 8 April - details to follow from Ed Brazina concerning time
- c. ***Thanks to Ed Brazina for the job he is doing as the Indoor Event Coordinator.***

**2. 2018 Hamburg Swap Meet - Jack Hilbert advised 100% sellout of tables -plus a few extras and now building a waiting list**

- a. Volunteers to help with the Field House setup on 23 March should meet at the TCWS field at 3:00 PM.
- b. Work is usually completed by 6:30 PM at the Field House with pizza being served around 6:00 PM.
- c. **WE ALL NEED TO PROMOTE THE EVENT AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE TO BE SURE WE GET THE MAXIMUM PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AS WE CAN TO SUPPORT THE TABLE VENDORS WHO SUPPORT OUR ANNUAL EVENT.**

### 3. Trainer Radio Replacement

- a. Mike Correll's sister donated a Fun Club foam electric trainer and Futaba 7c computer TX to TCWS as an electric trainer.
- b. Cliff noted we still need two new student TX's. Anyone with reliable DX 5's who might wish to donate them to the club should contact any of the club officers.

### 4. 2018 - Lebanon Swap Meet

- a. TCWS had a great result at this year's event - we helped Mike Correll and his sister sell her late husbands RC collection and we sold (12) tables for our Hamburg event. - ***Thank You Walt for once again coordinating the TCWS activity in this event.***

### 5. TCWS Membership Documents Update

- a. Changes to the By-Laws, Membership Policy and Field Safety Rules have all been revised.
- b. Final copies will be combined into the new TCWS Membership Handbook which is being targeted for distribution at the April meeting - but may slip to May.

Motion to accept updates - Motion by Walt Gladney, seconded by Dale Davis, unanimously accepted.

## New Business

### 1. Field Opening Date

- a. First outdoor meeting is scheduled for 15 April 2018
- b. The field opening activity will start at 10:00 AM and should be completed before the meeting starts or - if not - will be completed after the meeting.
- c. Lunch will be available for sale starting around 12:30 PM

### 2. Bi-Monthly Club Meeting Dates

- a. Cliff tabled a discussion concerning revising our Monthly Membership Meetings to be on a Bi-Monthly schedule going forward.
- b. A brief discussion was held with member in attendance comments suggesting leaving the meeting schedule as is.
- c. Cliff suggested the topic be raised at the April meeting with hopefully more members in attendance.

### 3. Electrical Power at TCWS -BMA Field

- a. Last summer the club was provided a quote to install a solar power system which would power a charging station and a refrigerator. It was decided at that time to shelve the idea until a later date. With the anticipation of a successful swap meet this year.
- b. Cliff Nash proposed the membership revisits the installation of a solar system.
- c. Since it is not a necessity to have a refrigerator on site a system designed to provide power suitable for charging flight batteries could be installed at a much lower cost.
  - i. Consideration to include running normal lights and maybe a few 110 outlets in the big shed, tractor section and under the canopy as well would be included.
- d. Membership consensus was favorable to revisit a formal proposal with updated cost estimates once the swap meet results have been finalized.

### 4. Open House Event at TCWS / BMA Site

- a. Cliff has suggested TCWS hosts an Open House at our field which can include the following:
  - i. Invite other clubs as a Fun Fly event
  - ii. Invite the general public
  - iii. Schedule the event before BMA classes end to get BMA student participation as well
- b. Cliff will retable for more discussion at the April meeting

### **Call to Adjourn. - 2:00 PM**

Motion to Adjourn by Walt Gladney; seconded by everyone, unanimously approved

### **Next Meeting:**

18 April 2018; 1:30 PM at BMA site - first scheduled outdoor meeting unless ANOTHER Nor-Easterner dictates otherwise.

Field Opening Work Starts at 10:00 AM