

**Tri County Wing Snappers**  
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 24, 2018  
Club Field

**Call to Order**

- 1:30 PM Meeting called to order
- There were 13 members and 1 guest in attendance.

**Agenda Items**

50/50 drawing - \$8.00 to winner -- \$ 8.00 to Club – Dennis Sell donated winnings back to club – Thank You Dennis!

Reading of the Treasurer’s report – read by Dennis Sell -

- Motion to accept treasurer’s report - motion by Walt Gladney seconded by Mike Correll

Field Maintenance – Reported by Bill O’Neill

- Everything is fine – seems to be caught up with the mowing and trimming

Safety Issues - Reported by Jack Hilbert

- New AMA Model Aircraft Safety Code – effective 1 Jan 2018 is now located at the field -- under the pavilion.
- No significant changes over previous version – but less words to read
- AMA Safety booklets are available in the big shed if you care to review one.
- Remember that pilot stations are well defined and safety cages are located where the flight tables are usually stored and need to be utilized when flying.

New Members Introduction

- Robert Genenerella gave some background on himself – he is a past active RC enthusiast and a previous member of the TCWS club back at the original Grim air field. Bob was unanimously voted back into TCWS – Welcome Back “Lefty”
- Peter Patricola was not present, and his application will be voted on when he attends a future TCWS meeting

## **Old Business**

Discussion was held as to whether to have a special time set aside for float flying. The membership felt it was not necessary to do so.

Construction has not begun on the BMA hangar yet however the project is believed to be in the approval process by the township and it is expected to begin later this summer. The officers are trying to set up a meeting with the new director of business for BMA to get an update on construction and the possible impact it may have on the club

Membership approved the funds needed to install a solar powered charging system. A meeting was held with the installer, Ed Larson to discuss the best way to install all the components. Cliff will be initiating the work involved to install the equipment once it arrives.

Jack Hilbert set up a nice display for the BMA camp meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> but due to rain there was limited activity during the event. Later in the week Jack had several students down for buddy box training flights. Thank you to Jack for taking this event on and for all who assisted.

## **Motion to accept updates**

Motion by Steve King  
Seconded by Ed Smith

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There has been some recent conversation between Tom, the BMA maintenance manager, and some of the membership in regards to how members are accessing the property and where they are parking. He has told members that we can no longer park by driving between the safety fence and the shed, and no vehicles should remain parked on the other side of the fence.

- Please access the parking next to the pavilion using the area alongside the pavilion as you enter off of BM drive. If there is no space to park at the pavilion you may drop off your equipment at the pavilion and then park your vehicle on the other side of the Porto john and facing the street.
- There have been some other issues Tom has brought up to members which should be addressed to the officers of TCWS. If Tom should stop by when you are flying and tries to engage you in conversation about our future use of the facility and an officer is not on site, please direct him to address it with myself or Jack.
- We have been assured by the management of BMA, that they are very pleased with our operation and participation with the students and want us to remain for the future.

It has been asked if there was a way to possibly fly without the use of a spotter when flying smaller electric aircraft.

- At this time the answer is no, you must have a responsible spotter when flying any aircraft.
- As a reminder the spotter does not have to be a TCWS member but must be capable of being actively engaged in spotting for any full-scale aircraft.
- If you are flying and one of the full-scale pilots shows up to take a flight, take it upon yourself to go speak to the pilot and ask what their flight plans are.
- Remember we are guests here and the responsibility to avoid an incident with a full-scale aircraft is on us.

Wednesday flying has been well attended when the weather permits and Chef Jacque, has been working hard to provide a good meal at a reasonable cost.

There will be dinner serve this Wednesday, the 27th as well, if the weather allows us to fly.

This week's menu is a buffet style encounter, featuring;

- Ham Burgers / Cheese Burgers
- Hot Dogs
- Sausage w/ Onion & Peppers
- Corn on the Cob (maybe)
- Chips
- Water Melon
- Soda
- Water
  
- \$6.00 per person
- \$3.00 kids under 8 years old

Portolet Issue - be sure to re-latch the door when leaving the toilet

Faye Wunder -- Walt Gladney reported that Faye is currently in the Reading Hospital with pneumonia and related issues. – Please keep Faye and Bud in your prayers.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion by Steve King  
Seconded by ALL

Next Meeting

15<sup>th</sup> July 2018  
TCWS Field

