



Tri-County Wing Snappers Inc.

**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
20 DECEMBER 2015  
HAMBURG MOOSE LODGE**

**Call to Order at 1:30 PM**

**50-50 Drawing**

- Won by Dennis Sell - \$20.00
- Club received \$20.00

**Treasurers Report**

- Report presented
- Motion to Accept by Nelson Gould
- Motion seconded by Bud Wunder
- Unanimously accepted.

**Old Business: (Updates)**

**Field Close Update**

- Ms. Christman has been notified that all agreed actions have been taken and completed as far as TCWS is concerned -- one exception – Job Johnny not moved yet
- She refuses to sign the agreement letter which has been prepared and submitted which would attest to her acceptance of the items we have completed
- She will be chaining/locking off the access road as of 1 January 2016
- A HUGE thanks to all those members who came out to help with the work that had to be accomplished
- All items are at Cliff's residence except the Swap Meet items which are at John Messersmith's
- Someone's long green pry bar is in safe keeping

**2016 Lebanon Swap Meet**

- Walt Gladney is coordinator
- Club tables have been reserved
- Walt Gladney, Jeff Shriver and Jack Hilbert will man the tables
- Any other members wishing to participate or bring equipment to sell – contact Walt Gladney

### **2016 Hamburg Swap Meet-**

- Jack Hilbert is over-all coordinator
- First announcements have been emailed / sent out to all vendors last year
- 1<sup>st</sup> ad in AMA magazine should appear in the February edition which comes out in January
- Rich Kratzer will be kitchen coordinator
  - Anyone willing to help out in the kitchen – contact Rich Kratzer

### **2016 Membership renewals** are due by 31 December

- (30) members have renewed to date
- Extension granted until 31 March to make decision to renew without penalty

### **Search for New Field Update**

- Cliff Nash is overall coordinator and is spearheading the drive to investigate and validate any possible opportunities.
- Anyone hearing or seeing an opportunity is asked to provide the information to Cliff for follow up.

### **Potential Merger /Relationship Opportunities with other clubs**

- Jack Met with representatives of Farview and 222
  - Farview is interested in a merger and cooperative efforts to find a new site
    - Structure of the combined organization would need to be worked out
    - They will always have turbine jets in their club in some form
  - 222 is not interested in any relationship other than as they have openings available in their current (40) member cap – new applications from TCWS members would be accepted on a FCFS basis.
    - The first opportunity for membership consideration would be 1 March 2016 when they will know if any new membership slots are available.
- Buc-Le, Lehigh Valley, Cocalico and Exeter Eagles were all suggested as other clubs to consider and Jack will follow up accordingly.

### **New Business:**

#### **FAA Registration of RC Aircraft – Jack to update**

- Current FAA requirements - Registration opens 21 Dec
  - 0.55 pounds to 55 pounds
  - Owners may register through a web-based system at [www.faa.gov/uas/registration](http://www.faa.gov/uas/registration)
  - Paper based system is also available
  - \$5.00 refundable application fee if registered in first (30) days – (20) January 2016
- AMA Position
  - Hold off registering as AMA is actively appealing the ruling and registration process
- TCWS Club Position
  - Recommend following AMA Position as long as possible
  - Individual decision to make at this time
  - If after 19 February - the mandate remains as a statutory requirement – TCWS will need to revise their membership requirement to include an FAA registration number.

**POLAR BEAR FLY IN – 31 December.**

- 9:00 AM start
- Coffee, soda, water will be available
- Hot Dogs cooked in beer, Bratwurst and Sauerkraut will be available
- All aircraft are welcome for the final flights at the field

**Announcements/Future Topics:**

- XMAS party immediately followed the meeting
- Door prize drawing was held
- (27) members and guests attended -

**Next Meetings:**

- Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge.

**Close Meeting:**

- Motion to Close by Ed Koch
- Motion seconded by Bud Wunder
- Unanimously accepted