

Spirits of St. Louis RC Flying Club

Monthly Meeting Minutes for February 13th, 2018

By Greg Bowles, Secretary

President Ralph Grant called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Attendance:

15 members were in attendance.

New Member(s):

No new members were present.

Secretary's Report:

Greg Bowles, Secretary

A motion was made, seconded and voted to accept the January meeting minutes as published on our website.

Treasurer's Report:

Bill Lindewirth, Treasurer (Not present)

Field Committee Chairman's Report:

Field Committee Chairman [Open]

No issues reported at the field.
Please remember to take your trash home. The fire pit is not a trash can.

Safety Committee Chairman's Report:

Safety Committee Chairman [AMA Req'd.] [Open]

No issues at the field. Everyone is being safe.

Membership Chairman's Report:

Ralph Doyle, Membership Chairman

At this meeting date, we have a total of 102 members for 2018 (12 new members). (During the same month in 2017 we had 102 members.) The 2018 membership card is "Yellow".

Upcoming Spirits Events:

- 1) A "Contest/Event" schedule has been created for this year. It will be published on the website and posted at the field. Our first event is Sunday, May 6th "Warbirds (Mustangs). Then on Saturday, May 12th is our "Annual Tailgate/Swap Meet".
- 2) On Saturday, August 11th we will be hosting a National Model Aviation Day/Fly-In. We are in contact with SLRCFA about joint hosting of the event.
- 3) A proposal is made to the members to visit the Commemorative Air Force – Missouri Wing museum at St. Charles County Airport, Smartt

Field (cafmo.org). They offer a guided tour on Saturdays between 10am-2:30pm. I was thinking of scheduling a tour of their facilities, then having a late group lunch at Llywelyn's Pub in downtown St. Charles. The event will be open to non-club members. If you are interested, email your response to Greg Bowles at gabowles@sbcglobal.net.

Upcoming Local Events:

SLRCFA Indoor Flying; Every Friday Night (6-9pm); Eureka Central Baptist Church, 601 North Central Avenue, Eureka, MO; \$5 and a current AMA are required for entry.

Mississippi Valley Soaring Assoc. (MVSA) 2M/HL; March 17, (10am start) 1722 Hwy 79, O'Fallon, MO.

St. Louis Aeropilots "St. Louis Piper Cub Day"; April 6, Buder Park, Valley Park, MO.

SLRCFA "Open House & Camp-N-Fly"; April 21-22, Hwy 44 at 109, Augustine Rd., Eureka, MO.

Old Business:

- **By-Laws Changes:** Changes to "Article 1: Section 9"; "Article 7: Section 6" and "Article 8: Section 2" were discussed at the meeting. The results of on-line voting and with members at the meeting, it was motioned, seconded and voted by the majority of the members to accept the By-Laws changes. The revised By-Laws will be posted on our Website and a copy sent to AMA for their records.
- **D&O Insurance Renewal:** The D&O (Directors & Officers) insurance is due in March and Ralph Grant received quotes (Cornerstone \$800-600, State Farm \$800, Farmers No Bid) and queried some of the other R/C flying clubs in the area (none of which have it). Based on these facts, the Board members recommended not renewing the D&O insurance. This was presented to the club members and a motion was made, seconded and voted not to renew.
- **2018 Board of Directors Positions Required:**
 - Field Committee Chairman...**Open**
 - Contest & Event Committee Chairman...**Open**
 - Newsletter Editor...**Open**
 - Meeting Activity Coordinator...**Open**

New Business:

- A request was made for receipts related to field improvements. The AMA requires this so we can apply for the AMA Flying Site Grant, which

will reimburse 10% on the total expenditures. This is due by March 1st.

- This year we will be performing an inventory of club assets. If anyone is in possession of club stuff, contact Babe Raab at (636) 936-8952.

Technical Presentation(s):

Presentation #1: Babe Raab Balsa USA Phaeton 90 kit build. Started in 2012 and purchased at a Swap Meet for \$20, it is equipped with an O.S. LA40. Babe doesn't know if it will ever fly, but he did enjoy building the balsa kit.

Presentation #2: Steve Ramonczuk brought in his latest aircraft purchased from Motion RC. This is the Freewing F-16 V2 Arctic Camouflaged EDF Jet. Equipped with a 3048-2150KV Brushless Outrunner, 70mm 12-Blade fan and a 80 Amp ESC. It is powered by a 6-cell 22.2V 4000mAh Li-Po battery and available for \$229.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Next Spirits' Meeting:

Tuesday, March 13th, 7-9pm

Dorsett Village Church

2240 Bennington Place

Maryland Heights, Missouri 63034

****See website for directions****

Join us after the meeting at

Serra's Pizzeria

12218 McKelvey Road

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Babe's Balsa USA Phaeton 90: Photo by Greg Bowles



Steve's Freewing F-16 V2: Photo by Greg Bowles



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2018 Spirit's Contest/Event Schedule

EVENT DATE	RAIN DATE	EVENT TIME	EVENT NAME	EVENT COORDINATOR
Mon., Jan. 1		9:00am – 1:00pm	Frozen Thumbs Fly-In	Greg Bowles
Sun., May 6		9:00am – 1:00pm	Warbirds (Mustangs)	Ralph Grant
Sat., May 12	Sat., May 19	9:00am – 2:00pm	Annual Tailgate/Swap Meet; Concessions; Field is Open	Babe Raab
Sat., May 19		9:00am – 2:00pm	Pylon Races: Four-Star 40; Unlimited Electric Warbirds	Steve Cross
Sun., May 20		9:00am – 1:00pm	Warbirds (WWII Navy)	Ralph Grant
Sun., June 3		9:00am – 1:00pm	Warbirds (The Enemy)	Ralph Grant
Sun., June 17		9:00am – 1:00pm	Warbirds (Bombers)	Ralph Grant
Sun., July 1		9:00am – 1:00pm	Warbirds (Jets)	Ralph Grant
Sun., July 15		9:00am – 1:00pm	Warbirds (Jugs/Tigers)	Ralph Grant
Sun., July 29		9:00am – 1:00pm	Warbirds (Multi-Engine)	Ralph Grant
Sat., August 4		9:00am – 2:00pm	Pylon Races: Four-Star 40; Unlimited Electric Warbirds?	Open
Sat., August 11		9:00am – 4:00pm	National Model Aviation Day: Fly-In; Warbird Best of Show; Aerobatics; Gliders; Helicopters; FPV; Training & Intro Flights; Cookout/Lunch	Ralph Grant, BOD, St. Louis R/C Flying Assoc.
Sat., August 25		9:00am – Dusk	Annual Heli Fun-Fly Extravaganza: Concessions	Jason Cummings, BOD
Tues., Sept. 11		5:00pm - Dusk	Membership Appreciation Dinner/Nomination of 2018 Officers	BOD
Sat., Sept. 22		9:00am – 2:00pm	Pylon Races: Four-Star 40; Unlimited Electric Warbirds	Steve Cross
Sat., Nov. 3	Sat., Nov. 10	4:00pm - Dusk	Last Blast of 2018 Fly-In: Bonfire; Hot Dogs; Canned Food Drive	BOD