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Next Meeting Date

The next Monthly Meeting will be
Tuesday, April 1, 2008
7:00 PM
Bountiful Library

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:

Spring has finally arrived! I hope all of you are getting a change to try out your new (or old) planes after a long winter. I have been out to the field a few times over the last couple of weeks. The field is in great shape, the runways are dry and the grass is green! Remember to be careful with the runway if it is wet. We don't want permanent footprints all summer.

Brett Forsberg

MARCH MINUTES:

The monthly Modelers was begun at 7:10 PM at the Bountiful Library. Our President, Brett Forsberg conducted. There were 12 members present.

Discussion:

Treasurers Report: Our treasurer, Frank Hunt was excused but reported by phone that we now have 33 members in our club so far in 2008. As of the meeting there is \$4639.74 in our savings account.

AMA Charter: Our secretary reported that the application for our AMA charter had been sent but not yet received.

AMA Park Flyer Program: The club members discussed the new AMA Park Flyer program. A motion was made and approved by the members to accept AMA Park Flyer members into the club. Bret Forsberg agreed to modify our constitution to reflect this change. We will review the changes and vote on them at the next meeting.

Future Club Meetings: The field is drying out and the weather is improving so our last meeting at the Library until this fall will be at the Bountiful Library April, 1, 2008 at 7:00 PM. Our next meeting will be at the field on May 6th at 7:00 PM.

Show and Tell:

Don Buckbee showed off two new airplanes he has been working on. The first was the *EP Rambler* with an electric 400 geared motor. The second was a unique German airplane the *Funky Chicken*. It was constructed with foam wings covered with brown paper sacks and white glue. An interesting but effective way to sheet foam.

Web Site: Bill Sutton continues to be our Web Master. The members were encouraged to send him photos or any other information that would be of interest to the club members.

DUES - Just a reminder that yearly dues are to be paid by January. Yearly dues are \$30. Make checks out to South Davis Modelers. Remember there is a penalty for paying late.

After February 15th - \$5.00

After March 17th - \$10.00

After April 15th - \$15.00

After May 3rd - you are no longer a member. You must reapply and pay the initiation fees. You can pay your dues at the March club meeting or send them to Frank Hunt, treasurer. REMEMBER. You must show a 2008 AMA Card when you pay your dues.

REMEMBER. If you haven't paid your dues by May 3rd, according to the constitution, you will forfeit your membership and have to start all over with initiation fees if you plan to join again. This will also be your last newsletter if your dues are not paid soon.

Silly R/C Definitions

PROPELLER: Wood, plastic or composite device used to stabilize inferior landings.

TRAINER: Inexpensive throw-a-way device used by beginning pilots to scare instructors and spectators with.

INSTRUCTOR: Old pilot who loves flying and teaching others to fly...usually cannot tell you how many planes he has crashed.

TAIL ASSEMBLY: Fragile device which has an affinity for door frames during non-flight transport.

TRANSMITTER or RECEIVER FAILURE: Something which happens only on the first flight of a plane (usually the last flight, too).

RUNWAY: Flat object used by student pilots to retrieve aircraft which "almost landed OK".

AEROMODELING: The art of turning precision-cut and glued balsa wood and foam into toothpicks and confetti.

AIRPLANE: Heavier than air machine that flies like it's heavier than air.

BALSA: An extremely light substitute for gold.

CRASH: Method of seeing inside a model airplane.

DINNER: A meal that is always cold by the time you get back from flying.

ELEVATOR: A device to prevent level flight.

ENGINE: A device that doesn't start when you want it to and cuts your fingers.

FAIL SAFE: An option on PCM radios that allows a pilot to choose whether to crash near him or a long way away.

FLYING FIELD: Take off area. Landings occur elsewhere.

GIRLS: Something to be interested in before you take up flying.

HINGE: Device to prevent control surface movement and cause flutter.

INVERTED FLIGHT: Method of landing without wear and tear on the wheels.

JOKER: A person who invites you to "taxi" back" after a dead stick landing.

LANDING: Test of strength between your plane and the planet.

MIXTURE SCREW: Device to meter too little fuel to the engine at critical moments.

NOSE WHEEL: Device that prevents an airplane from landing without bouncing.

PLUG (1): Electrical device for making intermittent contact in your engine's ignition.

PLUG (2): Electrical device for making intermittent contact with your receiver.

RADIO: A device that enables an airplane to crash in different places that it otherwise would.

RECEIVER: Part of the radio what picks up interference.

SKID: Another word for spinner.

SPINNER: Critical part of the landing gear.

TANK: Temporary storage place for chemicals before they saturate your airplane.