

Meeting Minutes

IEQF Monthly Meeting

May 01, 2008

Secretary: Kurt Scudder

Meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Don Wagner presiding. 18 Attendees present.

Show & Tell:

- John Boughton showed off his Challenger wood ship, designed in the 1970's. This monster has a 145" span and weighs in at 86 oz. Quite a sight.
- Doug Russell showed a neat Sukhoi from Hyperion, using the Turnigy motor from Hobby People in Hong Kong.
- Derrick Holt brought another of his amazing micro creations – this one flies 40 min on 135mAh.
- Steve Adams showed the frequency "pole" he made for the new club field. This clever compact design is covered when not in use with a sleeve made from 4 inch PVC pipe. Very neat. Please take care when replacing the sleeve not to knock off or break the frequency pins.

Treasurer's Report:

After \$1200 for rent on Paradise field and \$72 for Meetup website dues, the balance in the club account is about \$820, compared to about \$950 this time last year. Membership is currently 35, with 40 registered on meetup.

Unclassified Business:

Robin suggested that the old frequency list be put back up on the website. The question was asked if it would be possible to make either the website or the meetup site be capable of programmatically converting individual members' frequency lists into a chart or table showing the distribution of frequencies in use in the club. Kurt & Dave promised to look into this.

Old Business:

Several items related to the new field were discussed. The new field got rolled, thanks to the efforts of several club members. It was bumpy! It was suggested that a broadleaf herbicide be put down on the

new field to kill the alfalfa but leave the grass. It was mentioned that the grass will almost certainly be gone without any water, but no firm proposal was floated to deal with this.

Electric Fun Flys will be held on June 7, and the last weekend of September.

This coming Sunday (May 4) will be volunteer trailer maintenance day, hosted by Steve Adams at his place (1102 S. Spruce, Spokane). Meet at 10 AM, flying at Paradise field after trailer maintenance completed.

The Post Falls field is still available through December of this year. We need to get the insurance certificate submitted to the U of I.

The NEFI event is coming together – Dave has had good support from volunteers, who met last week and discussed necessary work. Raffle prizes are being recruited.

Steve Adams reminded members to please land within the 100 x 300 foot designated landing box.

New Business:

A discussion was taken regarding signage for the new field, both event signage and permanent signage. Opinions were varied – some thought signs would attract interest, while others thought signs would potentially distract drivers on U.S. 95, and open the club to possible liability (or at least bad publicity) if someone had an accident on that highway as a result of reading the signs or rubbernecking instead of watching the road. For events, however, signage may be required as visitors will be looking for the entrance to the field, and need to be made aware of the entrance in time to slow down and turn off the highway. Mark Dymkoski volunteered to investigate some of these issues via a friend who might have knowledge of the law or best practices surrounding signage on the highway.

Meeting concluded at 8:30 PM