



Hangar Rat

Spillway Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Chapter 979

Founded 1972

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Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Spillway Radio Control Club will be Thursday, March 9th at 7:30 PM. at the P.A.C.E. 750 Union Hall in Norco, LA at 601 Good Hope Street.

Minutes:

Nathan at called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Treasurer's Report – Loren reports that our current balance is \$1263.10.

Old Business – Nathan discussed the current status of the field and what progress is being made to remove all obstructions from the flying area. It was reported that the Port-o-Lets have been removed from the area and it will be much safer to fly again. It was also reported that the field would be open for flying while the Corps of Engineers will not be working for at least six weeks.

New Business – It was decided to postpone formal officer elections until the May or April meeting when a more stable membership list could be determined. The normal March 1st deadline for membership dues has been pushed back to May 1st and the dues amount per member may be reevaluated depending the number of members remaining in the club.

Cary and Mark have volunteered to write the AMA and inquire about flying field assistance due to the hurricane. It will be in regards to a club disaster assistance program that will provide any club a grant of up to \$500 for field damage caused by natural disasters. This grant application can be found on page 192 of the January 2006 issue of "Model Aviation".

There was brief discussion of writing to FEMA or the Corps of Engineers and to ask them for any assistance they may lend to us to get our field back in condition we left it. It was agreed that it is a delicate issue because they are already allowing us to use the field rent-free. Most members feel that the most we could ask would be to help us smooth the dirt that we purchased last year with the heavy equipment already on site.

Cary attempted to contact Entergy to get some wire to replace our fence around the field. We also would like someone to contact Shell to see if they could donate extra mesh fencing to use to protect our pit area.



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The SRCC would like to thank Hobby Hut for helping to provide our door prizes for each meeting.

The SRCC thanks the PACE Union for allowing us the use of their hall for meetings.

Members please be courteous and pick up trash and straighten chairs after each meeting.

For the **Plane of the Month** Cary brought a B-25 kit that was originally made by Royal and more recently Marutaka. The kit is no longer in production and Cary had to search hard to find this one. It requires two 2-stroke .40 engines and more interestingly only has 2 pages of building instructions.



Nathan also brought in wheel pants for his Stearman that he has been working on for some time. He custom made the wheel collars for a more realistic look. It was done so well that most members agreed it appeared it was already a part of the kit.

The club would also like to recognize Garland Trepagnier for taking it upon himself to send out meeting reminders. It was greatly appreciated.

Dale Gallodoro introduced himself and his sons Eric and Evan as prospective club members. Dale works for Entergy and lives in Kenner. They already have a NexStar 46 trainer and have since been practicing on a simulator. Cary has agreed to be their flight instructor.

02/09/2006 Attendance

John Violette
Pat Dekat
Dutch O'Neil III
Nathan Bivalacqua

Garland Trepagnier
Loren Bailey
Dutch O'Neil IV
Eric Gallodoro

Glen Vicknair
Mark Delcambre
Bob Lack
Evan Gallodoro

Cary Armand
Darryl Champagne
Dale Gallodoro
Bret Perilloux