

## JCRC Meeting Highlights and Meeting Minutes June 26, 2012

Eddie Cline opened the meeting at 6:45. The April and May 2012 meeting minutes were approved as written (Dave Collea, Klaus Kogler 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed) . The Treasurer's report was presented by Anthony Hall. Thursday evening cookouts are still paying for themselves and 7 new members were admitted to JCRC in June.

**Old Business:** Be looking for the officers/board members working on the JCRC By-laws. Eddie commented that these need updating and are to be re-written to accommodate recent club changes in board membership, etc. Also to be considered are spending authority limits for president and treasurer. For example, the treasurer could perhaps approve up to \$250 for routine expenditures without presidential approval, and the president could approve up to \$450 without board approval. This would streamline the club function, and still maintain ultimate control on spending by the board and or voting membership. No such limits are formally in place at present.

The club picnic date has not yet been set, but most favored to do it again in September. BBQ is planned again, and other activities outside of flying will be considered to amuse the non-flier members of our families.

**New business:** New benches from David Collea are nearly completed for the new shed. These will have some bench space for battery charging. Skip Weller repeated his offer of providing aluminum for tables, and the voters present approved the construction of 3 to 4 tables. Skip will buy the wood using club funds. A motion made by Doug Lindauer, seconded by David Newcomb, passed with no opposition. Dave Collea has found some conveyor belt for covering the tops of charging tables so that the surface is not electrically conductive.

Be thinking about field improvements needed for the next year or so. Some options are improvements in the L.A. Area (lower area where heli's and small aircraft are flown near the entry gate). To run 110 volts is being costed compared to solar system to allow battery charging at that site. Other car-port type structures are also being considered for the charging station and the L.A. Area. These structures, while costly, will not be lost if we have to move from our current site at some point. Doug Lindauer suggested repairs be made to pilot stands.

Eddie brought up the desirability of club membership deadlines for club member renewals. Johnson City has asked us to make sure that we do have insurance protection when we fly at the field. To make this happen, our members need to have their AMA and be club members before the new calendar year begins. The best way to accomplish this was proposed as requiring renewing members to have their member request and funds in to the treasurer by the last meeting of the year (typically in November), and then change the gate code on Jan. 1 each year. Also discussed were possibly lowering dues since membership is growing. A good incentive to achieve earlier membership registration and accomplish lowering dues was proposed as giving folks renewing on time a \$10 discount on dues. This will be voted on at the next JCRC meeting in July.

Eddie reminded everyone, including new members, who may wish to apply for AMA college scholarships for children or grandchildren not to let their memberships lapse for children who have them. A requirement for the scholarships is 3 years continuous membership for the children.

David Newcomb discussed the upcoming VBS program at Pactolus United Methodist Church (Near Kingsport) on July 11, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. JCRC is invited to fly and display small aircraft and

heli's similarly to the last VBS event. Contact Eddie or David Newcomb if you can participate.

JCRC is invited to display and fly for Kingsport's Fun Fest on Sunday, July 15, next to the Civic Center (same place we have had our indoor fly-in sessions). Contact Danny Rhudy if you can help display aircraft at tables or fly. Small aircraft are preferred since only limited space is available.

Come join in the fun of the JCRC Fun-Fly on Saturday, July 21. Eddie Cline, and Danny Rhudy (our interim event coordinator) are heading up this one. Bring out a versatile plane and have fun!

Also beginning Saturday, July 21 is the Asheville Senior Pattern Contest (SPA), which runs through Sunday. Go visit and cheer on our pattern fliers (Jerry Black, Vic Koenig, Dennis Sams). Jerry is just returning from winning first place in the SPA contest in Expert Class at Mac Hodges Field in Andersonville, GA .

Doug Lindauer provided a brief discussion of his new FPV (first person view) equipment to be installed in an aircraft, maybe a Skywalker. He is even instrumenting his view using on-board sensors. He was asked to write a story for the newsletter as he becomes more familiar with the equipment. He also has a "head tracker" meaning the camera in the plane rotates to mimic his head motion as he rotates his head to look from side to side.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ed McEntire, JCRC Secretary