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Presidents Column: Randy Rogers

Up Coming Meeting Schedule:

There will not be a February meeting.

The January meeting is planned to be held at the flying field on Monday January 1 2024 at 1:00 PM for our traditional New Years Day fly. Cancelled only if its unsafe to drive.

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Activities

Newport News Park RCC is having their annual swap meet on February 17th. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more information.

Training Coordinator

Still looking for trainers and or a training coordinator. See me if you are interested in helping people get started in flying.

Club Membership

It is time to renew your club membership. The 2024 CVA application is available on the website. Club membership for 2023 expires at the end of the year. The fee for returning members is the same whether you renew now or wait until May or June. Remember to make sure that your AMA membership is current.

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Mining Operations at our field

Branscomb Is concerned about safety in the pits that have been dug for sand and gravel. The pits are very hazardous, with very steep sides and lose and extremely unstable footing. A person could easily fall and be injured or worse. Someone would have to come and get them out, and the rescue people would also be at risk. We love our airplanes and our hobby. But it's not worth getting injured over or having some else being injured trying to rescue us. Let's all do our best to keep our planes on the runway side of our field. And if we do drop a plane let's do our best to not drop it in a pit. We need to do our absolute best to put that airplane down on our side of the field. And if we do put one in a pit, we'll need to get Branscomb's help to retrieve it.

Please be safe so we all can enjoy our hobby for a long time to come.

Show and Tell

Let's keep bringing items for show and tell.

Here's wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday.

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Secretary's Report: Fred Hill

CVA Meeting – November 11,2023

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by Randy Rogers. A total of 20 members were in attendance. The meeting was held at the flying field.

Minutes – there were two amendments to the published minutes.

- 1. The budget information was left off the minutes so the 2023 budget and the 2024 projected budget was added.
- 2. Steve Sobel was left off the finance committee.

Treasure's Report – Jon Persons

Income – There was one new member.

Bills paid – Bill Talbot \$36.31 for tractor equipment Randy Rogers - \$ 140.49 for gas

The operating fund and mower funds were reported

Site Improvements – Randy Rogers

Randy asked for volunteers to help clean up the pavilion and the storage shed.

Activities

There will be a club fly/ meeting on January 1, 2024

Safety -

Great care needs to be taken around the construction/mining site. The sides are very steep, and the footing is very loose. Do not fly your planes over that area at all. Should your plane go down in that area do not attempt to retrieve it, contact Branscome Company to help you get your plane. Randy R. will contact the company for a good contact number.

Training -

Randy R. stressed that even though we don't have a formal training leader, it is everyone's responsibility to help train members, both new and old. We should be co-pilots for each other.

Old Business

The supplemental Use Permit passed the Charles City Planning commission. In five years, it will undergo a review.

Steve Sobel reported for the finance committee that they had met. Their objectives are:

- 1. Protect the money that has been given the club.
- 2. Protect the members from financial responsibility

They are not to come up with how the money will be spent.

Toward that end they contacted the law offices Kaufman & Canoles and received an estimate to start the process of securing the money.

A motion was made to authorize \$1000 to contact the attorney seeking advice on securing the money in the accounts.

The motion was passed without objection.

New Business

A committee has been formed to update and review the Clubs Charter and by-laws. The committee members are: Mark Motter, Harold Francis, Ed McMahan, Bob Juncosa, Steve Sobel and Peter Brownell. They will schedule their meetings and update Randy Rogers and the club with their progress.

Show and Tell

Alan Hall talked about 3D printing and how he has started to print a 3D plane with the help of Randy Rogers.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05pm



PLACE: Immanuel Baptist Church, 69 Saunders Rd, Newport News, VA. Same location as last year. <u>https://goo.gl/maps/6Ah7a4h8btF7gckf7</u>

TIME: Doors open for set-up at 8:00am. Open to Public at 9:00am. No selling before 9:00am, Swap Meet hours: 9am to NOON

GENERAL ADMISSION: \$5.00 (Ladies free, Children 10 years and younger are free).

SELLERS: All tables are \$12.00 each. Only the renter of the table or tables gets free admission. Don't delay reserve early. Contact Todd Smith <u>rctreetopflyer@gmail.com</u>

Food and drink provided by the Church Youth Group.





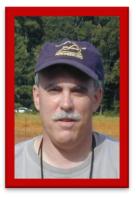
Special thanks to swap meet sponsor





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