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THE MEETING ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, IS AT RIVERWIND!!!

PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

The holiday season:

The thankfulness and the joy of the Christmas season are here. Inclement weather can only mean one thing, a time for those winter projects to get started and for those with a bit of grit or craziness to look forward to putting on skis and embracing the weather. I for one am looking forward to the January 1st freeze fly with maybe a cup of chili and a hot dog! I am hoping to see you there.

MARCEE is again coordinating some indoor winter flying at the golf dome near the Fleet Farm in Maple Grove/ Osseo. As soon as information is available it will be sent to members via email.

I have now sold 15 calendars to support our runway improvement fund. I encourage you all to do your part.

Thanks
Jeff Slater

VICE PRESIDENT

The weather once again ruined another fly-in and our swap meet. It also delayed our giving away the Grand Tundra, which I am confident we will give away at the November meeting. Only 3 tickets remain so make sure to attend the meeting. Once this plane is gone we will begin selling tickets for our next plane raffle. This plane will be an ARF, will be balsa and ply construction, will fly on gas, glow or electric and a wingspan of 63". I hope to unveil the plane at the next meeting.

Tickets for this plane again will be a total of 25 tickets at \$20 each. Lets see if we can give them both away at the November 21st meeting!

I am sure our normal flying season is now over, anyone who does brave the cold and flies at the field, please report anything that has been tampered with or looks suspicious.

Tony Hahn

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

ACRC rules require the use of either the ACRC card or an AMA card for guests. This is the only way that AMA insurance can be verified. According to the AMA, club rules become part of the AMA Safety Code for the club, and the Safety Code has to be followed for the AMA insurance to be in effect. Let's get those cards on the frequency board!!!

Newsletter editors are always looking for interesting items to put in the newsletter. These can be articles that you have written or articles that you find on line. Pictures and hints are also welcome. Just email me the link and I can copy the information. My email address is szdon@yahoo.com.

There is an application included in this newsletter and there will also be one in the December newsletter. If you lose both of these you will have to pick one up at the meeting or send me a self-addressed stamped envelope. Members who read the newsletter on line can print the application and rules from the ACRC website. Remember, **ALL** current members have to fill out a 2020

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application and have their year 2020 AMA verified before they can be issued a 2020 membership card. Dues for 2020 are \$75.00 and if you rejoin after January 31 there is a \$5.00 late fee. Please rejoin as soon as possible after you get your November Servo Chatter and your AMA card for 2020. It is easier to set the budget if the majority of the dues are in by mid-January. A place has been added to the application for a donation to the runway fund. Please donate if you feel so inclined.

REMEMBER - I need verification of your **2020** AMA. Sending a copy of your 2019 card will only delay the processing of your application. Please also include a stamped self-addressed envelope. It's not that the club cannot afford the stamps, but it makes it easier for me. I do membership for both ACRC and SPMRC. Thanks

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT RIVERWIND ON NOVEMBER 21, AT 7:00 PM. Remember, if you don't come to the meeting you can't win wonderful prizes.

It's not too long until the Freeze-Fly so put your skis on your plane and get ready for some winter flying.

Stan Zdon

A Look Back

NOVEMBER 2001

18 Years Ago

President Dan Stahn writes his last newsletter article, as his term is up, thanking the varied membership that he has enjoyed over the last year.

Dan also took the Binford Tools slogan of "Real men don't need instructions" to heart. After struggling with the wing assembly on his P51, a local hobby store employee suggested to "...throw away the instruction book and start building." Dan did precisely that, and with a considerable amount of TLAR, the wing is together.

The Pros and Cons of dual onboard battery packs and attendant control devices were discussed at length by battery guru, Red Scholefield.

NOVEMBER 1991

28 Years Ago

Dark times descend upon ACRC, as in blacktop anyway. Landowners Al and Karl Johnson, need the entire field of sod that we were flying on, to meet increasing economic pressures. Al will prepare a weedy and uneven section of ground, several hundred yards to the west for us to fly from. This was the opportunity for ACRC to obtain a hard surface runway, plus Al will have less ground preparation and filling if we install an asphalt runway. Financial plans and ballots were quickly put into motion.

Last month, Jeff Slater had his daughter write his Who's Who column but he out did himself this time around. Lack of time to write the column not only affected Jeff, but his daughter as well. She did, however, write a paragraph explaining why she didn't have time to write an article. Fortunately, Jack Cottingham came to Jeff's rescue and wrote about himself. Sheesh.

Tim Karash

ACRC FUNDRAISER

Greetings from your Fund Raising Bureaucracy.

Calendar sales are moving along nicely, a few members have sold quite a few.

The holidays are fast approaching. It's time to hob-nob with friends and relatives. Some you can tolerate, others not so much. It is, however, a perfect time to ply your skills of salesmanship. Friends, neighbors, or relatives have all hit us up for fund raising, so now it's your turn for payback.

Perhaps your friends have relatives who are difficult to purchase Christmas gift for. Suggest a calendar. Maybe you have similar relatives: calendar for uncle Fred perhaps? Lots of possibilities are out there; you just need to put on your "used car salesman's" hat.

I will be at the November meeting with calendars for your personal arm-twisting sessions. If you cannot attend the meeting, please feel free to contact me, and we can arrange a meet up.

Tim Karash

ACRC MINUTES

23 Members present.

No visitors

President: Jeff Slater was back in charge. He missed last month's meeting because of health problems.

Vice President:

Tony Hahn showed the Tundra ARF that is being raffles off. The raffle will be held when the 25 tickets (\$20.00 each) are sold.

Membership report:

99 members at the end of 2019. 5 members signed up so far for 2020.

Events:

The Electric Fly had 16 pilots from 5 clubs. After the bills were paid the club made a profit of \$5.00.

A Pattern Contest for June 13 & 14 was approved by the ACRC membership.

Safety report:

No safety issues in the past month.

Treasurer's Report:

Income:	\$370.00
Expenses:	\$527.37

Training:

ACRC currently has 2 electric powered training planes and 4 glow powered training planes.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A discussion took place concerning the relative merits of electric training planes vs. glow engine training planes. It was concluded that we need both types

Also discussed was who could have access to the lawn mower for mowing the field. Members were reminded that at a previous meeting it was decided that only mowing team would have access to the mower

Show and Tell: None

Raffle: None

Stan Zdon

R/C AIRPLANE DEFINITIONS

FLYING WING: To be seen after a too tight loop.

FUEL TANK: Plastic bottle, designed to leak when placed in totally inaccessible locations. A temporary storage place for chemicals before they saturate your aircraft.

FUSELAGE: Interconnecting structure between wings and engine. Receptacle into which R/C pilots stuff money in hopes that it will fly better.

GLITCH: What you holler when you pull up elevator while flying inverted at 10 feet.

GRAVITY: The force of nature designed to reduce aircraft to their component parts.

HINGE: A device to prevent control surface movement and cause flutter.

INVERTED FLIGHT: A method of landing to save wear and tear on the tires.

LANDING GEAR: A structure designed to separate fuselage from the runway after landing. Does not always succeed in doing so.

MIXTURE SCREW: A device to meter too little fuel in to the engine at critical moments.



“Sorry Harry! But you know the club rules about running an engine too long in the pits.”

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday – November 21

- ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Thursday – December 19

- ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Wednesday – January 1

- ACRC Freeze Fly

