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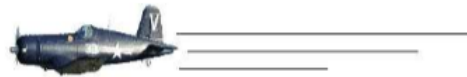


Flying Pilgrims Aero News

Next Meeting: May 17th 2017 at 7:00pm

Location - Flying Pilgrims Club Air Field

This may be a good time for those of you who were reluctant to attend the more formal meetings at EAA hanger.



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President Bill Slabey opened the meeting at 7 pm with 21 people present.

Discussions

Old Business

Field operations and lawn care:

Lawn care service has started but unfortunately the depth of cut is not as we had hoped. Bill's working with the service and has looked into other services to do a lower cut. John put forth a company named Flat Top Care, who's quote from a satellite view was \$20 cheaper. Bill contacted the company and will arrange for them to see the field in person. One of their selling points is that they would do a lower cutting than the company we have now. Dialing in the correct grass height has been more difficult than imagined. The new mowing service for this year (not the alternative that John provided) promises to cut it shorter. If not, we will find another service.

Entrance Road Repair:

Jack Kezelian and Glen Rex did a fantastic job on the entrance road. Jack reported that Glen had gotten some prices on asphalt filler but with the added cost of delivery, the total cost was too high. Our best deal ended up with 50 tons of coarse gravel. When delivered, the driver spread it along the road way as part of the total price of gravel hauling and delivery. The approximate price on the 50 tons and spreading was around \$1100. Jack & Glen would like to remind everyone to drive slow. This will help pack down the gravel, forming a long lasting solid road.

New Business

Canton Festival:

Jack Kezelian came up with a promotional idea for the September ¼ scale meet and general club awareness. Based on his recommendation the club rented a booth at “The Taste of Liberty Fest”. This event is being put on by the Canton community leisure services and will feature and promote a variety of local foods and drink business. The Festival will be held on Thursday, June 15 from 5-10 pm; Friday, June 16 from 1-10 pm; and Saturday, June 17 from 11 am - 11 pm. The Food Fest will be located on the south end of the park, at 46000 Summit Parkway Canton, MI 48188.

Public access to the booth area will be on **Friday and Saturday**. Jack would like some volunteers to help man the booth on those dates. Consider coming out and promoting our club to the public and handing out flyers on the September Giant Scale event. Please contact jack at 734-207-3626 for more details.

Flight Instruction:

Our chief flight Instructor (pictured here) is Ed Hernandez has now started flight instruction on Wednesday afternoon at 5pm. All who are in need of help are welcome to come. Other senior members may be there earlier who may be willing to help out as well. In case of schedule conflicts or inclement weather, Ed tries to contact participants via text. So, make sure he has your cell number or other contact info.



Field operation and Safety:

Please call out new model test flights and make use of a spotter. Above all, fly safe and as Rick Vera-Burgos says “Don’t push a bad landing or takeoff”.

(From F.P. Aero News 2015) Discussion on first person video and autonomous flight:

A club member inquired on where we stand on this issue. stated, our club allows these modes of flight in accordance with AMA’s regulations.

It’s been brought to our attention that article (d) of AMA Document #550_ “All FPV flights require an AMA FPV pilot to have an AMA FPV spotter next to him or her, maintaining VLOS with the FPVs UAS throughout its flight”. May have been over looked by our members.

To clarify VLOS means “Visual Line Of Sight” – Note: You may not fly your equipment beyond VLOS at our field.

We would like to remind everyone who is using FPV to review AMA Document #550 in its entirety.

FIELD OPERATION SAFTY starts with all members!

Follow the “SEE AND AVOID” GUIDANCE set forth by the AMA.

Call out warnings of approaching full size aircraft.

Fly at a safe low altitude relative to oncoming full size aircraft.

Because of our location relative to Willow Run Airport, we have a **400 Ft.** height restriction.

Commercial test development of UAV’s is prohibited at the field.

Club Fun Fly’s:

June 11th Club Fun Fly

Hosted by: Glenn McInstosh, Joe Nazelli, Don Kolehmainen

July 23rd The Jack Swint Memorial fun fly

Hosted by: Glenn McInstosh, Joe Nazelli, Don Kolehmainen

August 20th The Corn Roast

Hosted by: Glenn McInstosh, Joe Nazelli, Don Kolehmainen

September 16th & 17th The Fall Phase out

Contest Director: Jack Kezelian

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If you have any items you would like to sell and list in the newsletter, feel free to email me pictures. I will be happy to list them. Anything worth mentioning for the Fun Stuff section, ongoing projects etc. are welcome as well. secretary@flyingpilgrims.com

If you’re interested in getting more information or joining the club. Please feel free to contact me by phone at 734-482-8258; See us at the field or attend our monthly meeting, Now being held at the club air field. The address is **7121 Ridge Road Superior Township. Google maps, search “Flying Pilgrims Trail”**

Note: A high resolution copy of the **newsletter and pictures** can be viewed or downloaded via the [Microsoft OneDrive](#) secure link provided at top of letter. All links referred to in this letter are listed at the top and should be active depending on your browser settings.

Flying Pilgrims Club Officers for 2017

President: –	Bill Slabey		
Vice President: –	Joe McCarthy	<i>Trustees:</i>	Steve Cecale
Secretary: –	Daniel Debens		Don Kolehmainen
Treasurer: –	Jordan Hall		Joe Nazelli
Safety Officer: –	Glenn McIntosh	<i>Chief Flight Instructor:</i>	Ed Hernandez
Lead Instructor: –	Ed. Hernandez	<i>Sub Instructor:</i>	
Webmaster: –	Carl Cornell		

Miscellaneous

Show and Tell: Eaton, unfortunately I didn't get any pictures of your Flight Test twin engine airplane.
Thanks for bringing it in to the meeting, We all enjoyed seeing a project, keep up the good work.



Landscaping crew 2016



Our new storage shed 2015



Cold weather crew Oct. 2015



April show stopper 2017



Remember Our Service Men & Women this Memorial Day weekend

