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Minutes of the NEDS meeting of December 3, 2015

The Holiday meeting was held at the Buchanan Center in Mansfield at 7 pm with 21 members present. A new member from Mansfield, Scott Berger, was introduced and welcomed to the club.

Officers:

President:

Curt Gould

Vice President:

Matt Dauteuil

Secretary:

Ron Vernier III

Treasurer:

Gary Warzocha

Instructors:

Aero/Glider

Billy G. 860-429-1046

Ron V. 860-205-3277

Aero/Heli/

Multicopter:

Greg W. 860-508-2394

Rich P. 860-614-3915

Aero:

Matt D. 860-228-2059

Introductory Pilots:

Rich P.

Ron V.

Field Marshals:

Don M.

Ray B.

Treasurer's Report for November, 2015:

Income	\$142.00
Raffle	22.00
Dues	120.00
Expenses	\$121.53
Work part food	22.76
New lock	26.53
Stamps	10.00
Porta John	37.22
Raffle prize	25.00
Net Income	\$20.47
Cash and Checking	1864.66
Investment Account	TBA

Announcements and Business:

After the party and some socializing with a large food layout, a few business matters were discussed.

Liability insurance. Curt obtained a second quote for D&O insurance for the club's directors and officers. The quote (\$595 for \$1/2 million coverage) was the same as the first quote. Smith Brothers Insurance in Glastonbury was chosen.

Nominations for Officers. The slate for the December election was voted on and approved:

President: Curt Gould

Vice President: Matt D'Auteuil

Treasurer: Gary Warzocha

Secretary: Ron Vernier

Directors: Rich Pierce, Greg Watson.

Field Marshals: Don MacDougal, Ray Bettencourt.

Club name change. In view of the media's reporting of more irresponsible drone usage, and because most of our members do not fly drones (as understood by the public), Jim K. introduced a motion to delete the word 'drone' from our club name. After discussion, he withdrew the motion in favor of a clearer one presented by Scott Berger:

That the full membership be polled by email on whether to remove

'drone' from our name and to decide on another name at a later date. The motion passed by a vote of 16 to 5.

The email ballot will be sent out immediately.

Curt and Gary reminded flyers to fill out their Coventry log sheets and send in by Jan. 1st.

Raffle. Matt's big holiday raffle featured 11 different prizes which could be bid on individually with any number of tickets. Everyone who brought something for the food table was given one free ticket. Multiple tickets could be bought at a graduated discount.

Upcoming Events:

January 1st: New Years Day 'meeting' and fun fly at Mansfield Hollow, 10 am.

Recorder: Jim Knox

Minutes of the NEDS meeting of January 1, 2016

The New Year meeting was held at the Mansfield Flying Field at 11am. There were 17 members present, and a few spectators watching us fly.

Treasurer's Report:

N/A for the January meeting, it will be announced at the February meeting.

Old Business:

The Directors and Officers Liability Insurance has been purchased, if there is any question as to why we need this or what we have, please contact Curt.

Club name change has been shot down, the membership has spoken with a 25 to 13 vote to keep the existing name.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

Recorder: Ron V.



FUNFLYS

Sitting in my shop the other night thinking about the clubs activities that took place at Coventry Field and saying to myself wouldn't it be nice if we could have a real funfly like we had in the past long before many of you were members. That's when 1 or 2 individuals would organize the event, obtain approval from the membership for a certain amount of funds for food and prizes. There were several events scheduled throughout the course of the day, just to name a few (Taxi Events Around Pylons, Bomb Drop, cup attached to the wing with a ball placed inside try to hit a target, most loops and rolls in a given amount of time, all up last down, and then the infamous limbo (how low can you go)).

Then the scores were tallied up and read then the prizes were given out. I can remember that the CA adhesive and epoxies were always good prizes to be had because someone would always be going home with a plane that would be in some sort of repair. I was asked not to long ago what my interoperation of a funfly is and this is my answer. Although another club members idea of a funfly is "Just go fly, have fun." Wouldn't it be nice if we could have a "real funfly."

Submitted by,
George

Just an FYI, with the building season upon us; the Building Contest will be held at the April Meeting, so be ready!



NEDS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

1. Complete form, include a photocopy of your AMA membership ID card and return to Treasurer.
2. Dues are \$18 per year if you are under 18, otherwise the cost will be \$48.

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Applicant Certification: I agree to abide by the club rules, by-laws and AMA Safety Code.

SIGNATURE: _____

Mail to: NEDS Care of Gary Warzocha, PO Box 115, Hampton, CT 06247

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Place
Stamp
Here

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