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**The meeting for November will be on Tuesday, Nov 8th,
 Deane Hills Rec Center at 7:00 PM. Please attend.**

PROPWASH

At the October KCRC meeting, the Club decided we should REALLY implement the Certified Flight Instructor Program, which a committee of four of us created a couple of years ago. Background research for the program was done by David Dabbs, who gathered material from the AMA and from other clubs that was used to help design the KCRC program. The intent of the committee was twofold:

1. To have for KCRC an approved training program that was assured of having competent instructors, and
2. To relieve Phil Cope of some of the extensive training duties he has so willingly and successfully shouldered for all these years.

The program comprises two main parts, the Flight Training Program, and the Solo Pilot Exam. There is also a "wallet card" that the student carries with him to enable various instructors to progress the student through the stages of the training. This way, the student is not dependent on a single instructor. The Flight Training Program consists of six steps:

1. Ground School
2. Takeoff
3. Demonstrating control of the aircraft while flying
4. Simple aerobatic maneuvers
5. Set up for landing/landing
6. Pass Solo Pilot Exam

The Exam consists of 10 steps from Takeoff to landing, demonstrating the elements learned during

training. Upon completion of the Exam, the student will receive a certificate of achievement from the Club. The documents for this program are available on the KCRC web site (<http://www.kcrctn.com>).

The list of Certified Instructors appears in the Minutes of the October meeting. I plan to print the list, have 2 copies laminated, and post one on the AMA side of our Frequency Control Board, and the other in the right side of the bulletin board in the pavilion. It appears that there will be two categories of instructor: One group will be there on certain days (such as most Saturdays and Sundays), and the other will work mostly from appointments made either by phone or email. I will fall in the later group; Phil Cope will be in the former

Does this program mean that others cannot use a buddy box to help friends? No, but we will encourage those who begin to do regular training to become certified. The Instructor Certification test is simply to demonstrate that you can do what the student has to learn, and to recover a plane from a student-induced bad attitude, as well as land dead-stick.

Meanwhile, this is The Wingman, turning final...
 Phil Spelt, KCRC President

This is a desperately needed program. New prospects trying to get help need to be able to call someone for that help. I can sympathize with a new member trying to locate someone to help. Perhaps with a list posted on the bulletin board an instructor can be found.

AT THE FIELD

At the October meeting, it was announced that there would be no more posting of ads on the bulletin boards. Apparently folks were putting them on top of the required club information postings or leaving them up until they rot. Phil says "no more".

What beautiful days for flying we're having at this time of the year. Went to the field on Saturday the fifteenth and found a few guys enjoying the big blue sky.



Some were busy adjusting equipment getting ready to take off. I don't know how long Charlie Wilson has been flying this Ugly Stik, but he has gotten his moneys worth out of it.

Finding a pilot to take care of your plane in the air gets to be tricky, and guys will try anything if it works.

Here is Shrek getting ready to guide Mike Gross's 4Star-40 into the big blue yonder. I think this model may be the most versatile flyer I ever flew. It will fly like a trainer if you slow it down, or it will do most any trick you can dream up.



On the other hand, it can be very relaxing to fly something like this Elder that Mike Gross is holding. All the wires cause drag to really keep it slow and restful.

Found Kevin Miller getting some stick time also. He was relaxing with his trainer. Kevin is one of our members that I seldom get to see, since he does most of his flying on weekends and holidays and these are the days that I seldom go to the field. The reason I stay away is because the sky can get pretty full on those days with guys who still work for a



living, and retired guys like me can go on the uncrowded weekdays, although for some reason, none of the days lately have been all that crowded. Gary Lindner

said he went up recently on a pretty day, and no one showed up!

Doll Thompson and Gene Waters were up on this Saturday and they had their electrics. I talked about Doll and his MIG last month, but today was the first time I got to see Gene's P-51 fly. WOW! I felt like the wing loading was pretty high but the thing really whizzed and seemed to be very smooth and stable. Unfortunately, Gene tried to stretch a little too much time out of the flight and the BEC cut the motor power while on a low pass and Gene had to ditch in the high grass. Not much damage to the ABS structure.

Gene did a masterful job on the molds for this model. I think Dennis Hunt is considering using the molds and making a fiberglass attempt.



Could make a nice commercial product. The model is almost 100% scale, complete with lines and rivets.

Can't Keep A Good Man Down category award for today; John Gluck is another member that I seldom see unless I go to HobbyTown. John, as you know, recently battled back from a heart attack. It was good to



see him back doing some things that he likes to do instead of just taking medicene. John is one of our certified instructors and a

good man to see at HobbyTown for advice.....Jim

MINUTES OF OCTOBER MEETING

The October 11, 2005 meeting of the Knox County Radio Control Society was held at Deane Hill Recreation Center in Knoxville, Tennessee. The meeting started promptly at 7pm, with President Phil Spelt welcoming all members and guests present. The meeting minutes from the previous meeting were passed as read in the newsletter. Joel Hebert presented the Treasury Report. There were no reports from any of the other Officers. There were a total of 19 members present at the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to be presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim Scarbrough told the members present about an Arizona Club that gave new members free flight instruction and offered a \$19.95 three month trial membership to the AMA during the time period, so the prospective member could see if he or she would like leaning to fly. The Club would provide the plane and all the related equipment during the training period. It was asked why we couldn't do something like that. Which brought up our own flight instruction program, which has lain dormant since its inception, due to the fact that no one, with the exception of a very small group, was ever "certified". A motion was made to grandfather in John Gluck and Phil Cope, both who have in the past years, have taught many to fly, and are excellent instructors! It was noted that we needed to post a list of flight instructors both at the field and on the website. It was also noted that no other Club member could teach another to fly unless they took the test and became certified. The current certified flight instructors are: Phil Spelt, Dennis Hunt, David Dabbs, Phil Cope, John Gluck, Craig Dieter, and Scott Anderson. If you want to become a CFI, contact one of those people.

Also..... it was noted that there were ads for planes, radio equipment and such that was covering up information about flight instruction and other Club news. Please note.... The boards are for Club business only! **NO ADS!** If any ads are found, they will be torn down and thrown away.

The next order of business was a short report about the date for the next Pattern contest. Scott said that since the Club didn't want to hold a contest during the last weekend of May, he had to try to find another date for the contest. That threw a monkey wrench into everything because most other contests have already been scheduled. After a short discussion among the members, a motion was made and seconded that we have a SPA contest on May 20 & 21, 2006 and a AMA contest on August 5th and 6th, 2006. Scott and Dennis said they would check to make sure the dates were clear.

The next order of business was the KCRC website, which has not been updated in over 6 months. Our current webmaster has not been seen or heard from in quite sometime. With that in mind, it was proposed that Phil Spelt take over the job of webmaster for the Club website. A motion was made and seconded, and Phil said he would take over the job. He enjoyed doing that sort of thing.

Then next order of business. A motion made for the

KCRC 2006 membership dues. It was proposed that it be as follows: \$24 for students, \$48 for regular membership, \$60 for a family membership, and due by the end of the March meeting. The late fee would be \$5 after the April meeting, and a \$10 late fee after the May meeting. This was seconded. It will be discussed, and voted on at the next meeting.

KCRC renewed the subscriptions of the AMA magazine for the 3 schools that we sponsor.

Ed Hartley said he needed to get some people to run for Office next year. He said that he had all the other positions filled with the exception of President, Secretary and a Board Member. If you would like to run for an office, please let Ed know so he can put your name on the ballot. And the question was asked.... Do we wish to add a Club Chaplin position, as a voted elected office, who functions basically, to bless events, Pattern contests, picnics and the like? After a short discussion among the members present, it was decided against it.

It was noted that Gene Waters had fuel for those that needed it. Remember, if you need fuel, please see Gene.

CRASH OF THE MONTH

There was no crash to report this month.

MODEL OF THE MONTH

Kevin Giles brought out a slick looking Ultimate Biplane ARF that is produced by World Models. The plane is covered in white with purple and gray trim and features a fiberglass cowl to match the trim scheme and the plane has a 42 inch wingspan. Kevin chose to power the plane with an Evolution .46 two stroke engine, which he says is more than enough power for the plane. He said he asked Phil Cope to take it up for the maiden flight and Phil said the plane was quite spirited. Nice job, Kevin.

Dennis Hunt brought an Ultimate Biplane as well..... except his was electric! And a foamie. Dennis said that he couldn't compete with the models coming out of China, so he thought, if you can't beat 'em, join 'em! He said the plane itself cost \$33 and features carbon fiber on the wings and fuselage. Dennis showed off all the components that the plane required, such as the motor, speed controller, battery charger and such.

Kevin won a bottle of glow fuel for his effort.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Michael J. Foley, Secretary KCRC



This'n That

Since this is November, it must be time for election of officers for 2006. Ed Hartley is busy again this year looking for possible candidates for the various offices to be filled. The bylaws require that

“ The Nominating Committee consist of three (3) members appointed by the President and should be appointed no later than October.”

The voting bylaw states:

“ The Nominating Committee shall submit no less than two (2) candidates for each elected office, and this report shall be given at the November meeting. Additional nominations can be made by any active member holding voting rights, either in person, or by submitting a proxy nomination to an existing officer. All nominations for office shall be published in the newsletter prior to the election.

Mail-in and electronic balloting shall be available for those members holding voting rights but cannot attend the December meeting. Those ballots received before the December meeting shall be counted as though the members were present.

A secret ballot is required for elections, for removal of a club officer, a member of the Executive Council, and for expulsion of a member from the club unless waived by a simple majority vote of the members present at the meeting.”

The nominees for 2006 officers will be printed in the December newsletter, along with a mail in ballot and information about electronic voting for those who know they will not be able to attend.

A proposal was made by Joel Hebert, KCRC Treasurer, for the dues structure for 2006. It is essentially the same as 2005. Voting for this proposal, as well as any other proposals for the said dues will be conducted at the December meeting. The bylaw states:

“ The Dues and Field Fees shall be set for the following year at the regular December Meeting, and shall be reviewed and voted on annually. The Executive Council, being cognizant of the fiscal needs of the club, should present a summation of these needs and recommend dues as appropriate to cover these needs. The membership shall give proper recognition to these recommendations, but which are not binding upon the voting members. “

The legislative process for any motion voting is;

“ At any club meeting a simple majority voting on a motion shall be sufficient for approval of the motion, subject to the following; In the event that a motion is made, and upon calling for the question is apparent that the issues may be unusually controversial, the president may, at his/her discretion, determine that the issue should properly be put to a vote of the entire membership. In such cases the president shall convene the Executive Council for a final decision on which type of vote will be most responsible to uphold and reflect the best interests of the club membership.”

For all the KCRC members who occasionally visit a club meeting, it should be apparent that the December meeting is one that every member who cares about what goes on in his club should attend. Every club meeting is important, but December is especially important. If you don't care enough to come out and vote, don't complain about any decisions made by the officers you elect by your abstinence. By not attending you are saying that you put a lot of trust in the officers you didn't bother to vote for.

December would be a good time to start attending every club meeting. Just think how much we can get done.

There has already been one change in the leadership to notify you about. Phil Spelt was nominated and elected to become the club website webmaster. He has some ideas about improving the website to more exemplify the club personality and to promote the club to prospective members.

There are a number of members who are having some problems right now. Denny Evans had an accident on his motorcycle (a deer hit him) and he got banged up some. Hopefully he will be up and active soon.

Ed Hartley is going in for some surgery and I imagine he will be indisposed for awhile, although knowing Ed, he might just shrug it off and go fly.

At the October meeting, Dennis Hunt brought up the subject of Denny Evans as a club Chaplain. Mainly because Denny always has performed the Chaplains duties at club functions. Some members thought it might cause legal problems. Listen, folks, we have a Chaplain in the Congress and the House of Representatives of the United States government, a Chaplain at every military base in the world, every hospital has one, as well as most national social organizations, and a model airplane club can't have one? Tell me it isn't so! The state of religious sensitivity surely hasn't sunk this low. A Chaplain's duty is non-discriminatory and non-denominational, so how can anyone object? At least I can't think of anyone.....
