

# Mt. Silverwood RC Club Newsletter



March 2010

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## Flying Field in Best Shape Ever (GO FLY)

### March 2010 Mt. Silverwood Minutes

The meeting began at 7:03 p.m. on March 1, 2010, with 11 members present. It was raining, and someone brought brownies.

The minutes were approved as printed although, once again, some members failed to receive the e-mail attachment.

Treasurer Al Fiedler reported that we have \$1,185.38 in the bank, a good amount for this time of year.

Visitors: Bill Engelman, of Hubbard, brother-in-law to Howard Wurdiner, attended the meeting. He has a background in freeflight – welcome to the meeting, Bill.

Field Condition: It's generally good but we do need to put some work to prepare for the upcoming season. Specifically, the whole field needs to be rolled, especially the geo-textile fabric runway. Jeff noted that he has access to a roller and will take care of that. Also, we need to put some Iron Phosphate on the field to get rid of the moss. Sy offered to purchase the fertilizer and get it spread. Additionally, a mowing calendar will be set so we can keep the field in good condition this spring.

Safety Report: Some more lessons learned in the past month or so.

Item 1) Pin your hinges. Randy carefully pinned his U-Can-Do hinges after his near disaster in February. Thankfully, despite the loss of the left horizontal stabilizer and elevator, and the left aileron and the left wing's top covering, the plane was relatively easy to repair and is flying quite well now.

Item 2) Pin your Transmitter. There's generally not a need to pin your transmitter if you're the only person on the field. However, if someone else shows up and starts flying, be sure and ask what frequency they're on (as a courtesy, they should ask you, but it is your plane at risk). If another person shows up, then one of the three should open the frequency pin box and make sure all pilots have their pin. I nearly put Wayne Jensen's pretty P-51 in the dirt when just such a situation occurred.

Item 3) Check your batteries, especially on old planes. Cole recently put his P-38 in the ground because the battery died. The plane is repairable, but the outcome could have been much worse. He had quick-charged the battery but had not cycled it recently or checked the voltage. A post-mortem cycling showed it was running on 3 cells, not 4, and drained very quickly. Reconstruction continues.

New & Old Business: None was brought up.

## calendar

**Next Meeting:** Monday, April 5, 7 p.m.

Jeff Ruef's Machine Shop

**Next Funfly:** Saturday, April 10

## 2010 officers

President .....	Wayne Jensen
Vice President .....	Jeff Ruef
Secretary/Membership/Newsletter ....	Randy Henry
Treasurer .....	Al Fiedler
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Drawing: Wayne Jensen's making some garage room and donated a couple planes to the raffle. Sy won nice pattern plane complete with a rear-exhaust K&B engine, and Manny won an electric aerobat. Congratulations!

The meeting adjourned about 7:35 p.m. and members commenced on the brownies. Outside, the rain continued to fall, and somewhere a dog barked.

## Work Time at the Field

Hey, kudos to all who contributed to the great condition of the field. It's really nice to see the energy, sweat and enthusiasm sweep off the winter mildew, compact the worm piles, fill in the mouse holes and spruce up the benches. The lawn is exquisitely mowed and the whole field just has the aura of a very sincere, low-key RC flying field. Like Linus' pumpkin patch, I expect the "Great Plane" to rise from the tarmac and drop piles of 3-D ARFs, little electrics, gallons of fuel and bottles of CA on our flight tables just for us.

As for the odd tone of this month's newsletter – sorry. It was a helluva week and I'm blowing off some steam!

## Next Project

I have next to me the instruction manual for a "Wing MFG" North American B-25 Pro Series. This is a beautiful kit that could be competition quality scale and will use a couple of Saito 72s as power. In my dreams I plan to fabricate my own retracts, carve my own props and load my own 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale 50 caliber ammo upon which I can wreak havoc on all who cross my path. I'm currently carving small army figurines from a flesh-like polyvinyl gelatin so any

crash will result in a realistic and satisfying demise to the time-consuming project.

I'll let you know how it turns out.

## Fun Fly Anyone?

It's been a while since we've had an actual fun-fly. It really takes five or more contestants to have one. We have a number of members who are a little nervous about competing, but are perfectly capable (if their fingers stop shaking) to perform the basic maneuvers.

Therefore, I'd propose the following. On the next viable Saturday morning (could be April 10) we have a fun fly with three events and three gallons of fresh fuel. You compete in each event individually, so it's not a collective score and you can pass on any event that you want. The first event is a skill event called Dixie Death. The second is a basic take-off-and-landing event where you try to match 60 seconds of flight from wheels up to wheels down. The final event is the "Successful Landing" event. You roll a dice for a key number, you fly your plane and try to land. If you land in a 20x20 box, you get 10 points times the dice roll. If you land on the field but outside the box you get five points times the dice roll. Winner gets a gallon of fuel. Electrics are legal, so are helicopters! I even have a gallon of 15% heli fuel to give away.

If you have another event, please let me know.

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## 2010 APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

### Membership Fee:

One-Time Initiation : \$25.00      No Youth Initiation Fee:  
Adult Annual: \$25.00      Youth Annual: \$5.00  
Family Annual: \$40.00 (Maximum)  
New: \_\_\_\_\_      Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_

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