

## Nampa Model Aviators April 2011 Meeting – April 14, 2011

- **President's Report:** Jack Read called the meeting to order at 7:5 p.m. There were 14 members in attendance. Jack welcomed everyone and told the group that we had two new members, new member Donald Brisbane and returning member from 2009, Robert Eppley. Jack also commented that the club appears to be growing for the first time in several years. Several long-time members have returned recently or have expressed the desire to re-join the club in the near future. Snacks and ice cream sundaes were served to the membership.

**MOTION:** A motion made seconded and unanimously approved to approve the March 2011 minutes.

- **Treasurer's Report:** In the absence of the Club Treasurer( who had a time conflict with his soccer coaching commitments)Jack Read presented the treasurers report and went over the amounts in each of the Club accounts(checking and savings). The Club is doing well financially. Jack noted that we have garnered over \$2,000.00 as a result sale of the generous donations of models and equipment provided by Leon Waterman and more recently the donation of aircraft equipment by current active member Steve Watson. These funds have already been transferred to the club treasury. Jack also mentioned that there are more RC items and airplanes to sell and he is currently in price negotiations on some of the other donated items through potential buyers on RC Universe.

**MOTION:** A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to give Jack Read the authority to negotiate prices and related sales issues relative to the donated items, at his discretion in the best interest of our Club.

- **Web Site Updates:** Larry Bresson has done a phenomenal job of updating and upgrading the NMA website. Larry expressed that the site is a club effort and would benefit greatly by continued submissions of photos and articles by club members. Members may do so by E-mailing them to Larry, the same applies to the “for sale” page. If you have something to sell, send a photo along with the description to Larry and he will post it to the site.
- **Mowing Schedule:** A short discussion related to the current mowing schedule followed. A member questioned why a motion approved in 2010 to move the Friday mowing time to 3:00 PM had not been implemented. Jack told the group that the mowing contractor who is giving us a very good price says the current schedule fit well with his other customers in 2010 and now in 2011 which was the basis of his price quotes last year and this year.

**MOTION:** A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to keep the current mowing schedule (3 PM on Tuesdays and 12 noon on Fridays) in place.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Swap Meet:** The recent swap meet in Boise was a big success. Many members and other modelers commented that they were very successful in selling airplanes, cars and equipment. This was a win-win for everyone.
- **Safety Officer's Report:** Larry Bresson gave a short talk regarding the responsibility of every member to help enforce the club flying rules. It is incumbent upon every member to stop and correct another member if the other member is violating any of the boundaries, protocols or other flying restrictions. Do not leave this only to the club officers and board members.

- **AutoCAD Class:** Club member and High School Engineering Instructor, Roc Cox is generously donating his time and resources to teach AutoCAD for Modelers. The class will be held on 4 consecutive Thursday evenings beginning April 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30 at Skyview High School. The class roster is filling up fast so if you wish to participate contact Roc at [rcox@nsd131.org](mailto:rcox@nsd131.org) to sign up. Cost is \$20.00 which is about 5% of the normal cost of this kind of class offered anywhere else and the money goes into the students Club for Drafting Competitions.
- **Latest update on the proposed FAA rules and AMA's response.** Ron Landram provided the latest update from AMA regarding the proposed rulemaking by the FAA, governing remotely piloted aircraft, which may or may not include recreational model airplane flying. The House of Representatives has passed it's version of the FAA appropriations bill which did not include the Senate's amendment protecting RC Modeling from regulation. We are hopeful that the House – Senate conference bill will include the amendment. Continue to contact your Idaho representatives and ask them to help with this.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Definition of “Visitor” and “Guest”:** A discussion was held regarding what is the correct definition of a “Visitor” and a “Guest” as stated in the bylaws. The bylaws describe a visitor as someone who lives within the Treasure Valley and ‘may intend to join the club’. The NMA bylaws state that a visitor may only fly “once” before deciding to join the club. Conversely, a guest is someone who resides outside the valley and accompanies a club member in good standing. The bylaws state that a ‘guest may fly provided they are an AMA member and when accompanied and under the direct supervision of their sponsoring member’.

**MOTION:** A motion was made, seconded and passed (13 yea and 1 no) to revisit this issue and further discuss and possibly clarify it at the May meeting. (Open Action Item)

- **Election of Officers:** Nominations were opened for the 1211-1212 officers and directors.

**MOTION:** A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to retain for the rest of the 2011 term the two new (replacement) Board Members (Mike Nipp and Roc Cox) appointed by the NMA officers.

**MOTION:** A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to nominate the current slate of officers: Jack Read, President, Larry Bresson Vice President and Safety Officer, Mike Jordan, Treasurer, Ron Landram, Secretary, Mike Nipp, Board Member and Roc Cox, Board Member. (Open Action Item as additional nominations can be made at the May Club meeting and an election of the officers and board members will occur at this meeting per the Club Bylaws.)

- **Wayne Stanford Annual Service Award.** Jack Read opened nominations for the 2011 Wayne Stanford Annual Service Award.

**MOTION:** A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to award the Wayne Stanford Annual Service Award for 2011 to Roc Cox.

**Discussion to the Motion:** It was pointed out that Roc well deserved this award for his time and resources that he has donated many times to the club. Roc has made trophies for the Club Fly-in, War

Bird fly-in; name tags for NMA Members and is even involved in building a bulletin board for the club field. Congratulations Roc and thanks for your hard work.

- **Annual Wings and Wheels Event at Emmet:** NMA will be again participating in the Emmett Fly-in. Bring your models for display to the Emmett Airport on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Modelers are asked to be there between 8:00 am and 8:30 am for set-up. We will be providing flying demonstrations with our airplanes and helicopters at lunch time (12noon to 1 PM). This is a fun event and features many full sized airplanes, some full size aircraft flying demos and a great food at the Airport Restaurant.
- **Club Hats:** Jack has made arrangements for some nice canvas ball caps with Velcro brim size adjustment and the NMA logo embroidered on it. Several colors are available, including White, Black, Navy, Royal Blue, Green, Red and Tan. The cost is \$12.00. Contact Jack Read to order yours soon.

**Show and Tell:** Larry Bresson bought his giant scale foam A-10 Thunderbolt II to show the members. This model features working flaps, retracts, lights and even a canopy that opens and closes. It is powered by (2) 70 mm electric ducted fans. Robert Terhune showed his beautiful E Flight “Habu” ducted fan jet. This is fiberglass and buildup version of the previously offered foamy version. The airplane will incorporate flaps, retracts and should be very fast, possibly with speeds approaching 130 mph! Thanks guys for taking the time to bring your models in.

- The monthly raffle drawing was held and Lynn Hyslop held the winning ticket. Special thanks to RC Hobbies in Boise for contributing the \$20.00 gift certificate.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ron Landram, Secretary, Nampa Aero Modelers

Approved:

Jack Read, President, NMA