



Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 3rd, 6:30 PM, at HobbyTown (Fort Collins)

A Letter from the President

Greetings Modeleers

Well, we are fast approaching a new year. I hope you all had a good holiday and are contemplating where the heck you are going to hangar that new airplane.

Attached are the minutes for our last club meeting in November. Boy, it seems like a long time ago. Our January meeting is going to be a full one. First I would like you to peruse the Club's test webpage at <https://rmmodeleers.wixsite.com/rm-modeleers> that Carl Beisel has developed. I hope to receive your input at the meeting so that we can implement the changes to our current webpage. The second big item is the review and approval of our 2018 budget. Aside from the usual operating costs, I have asked for a bid on filling the cracks and possibly resurfacing our runway. In 2014, it cost \$4,000 and I just received the bid to essentially go back in and do the same work for \$5,500. We can discuss this more at the meeting.

Several new members have landed in our midst and I hope to meet them if they can find their way down to our meeting at HobbyTown's dungeon. Plan to bring your latest acquisition for the show and tell I hope to shoehorn in at the end.

We will meet on Wednesday, January 3rd at 6:30 PM in the basement of HobbyTown at 3500 So. College in The Square Mall. The Executive Committee meets at 6:00. Those of you who attended the last (November) meeting may recall that I pushed the meeting back a half hour but we ran into conflict with HobbyTown's closing hour, so we are back to meeting at 6:30. We will station someone soft at the bottom of the stairs to break your fall.

See you Wednesday!

Jerry Craig President

Minutes of the November 2017 Meeting

Date and Location: Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 7:00 PM at HobbyTown (3500 So. College in The Square Mall).

Call to Order: President Jerry Craig called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM on a Wednesday evening with 13 members in attendance, including Vice-President Durbin Seidel, Safety Officer Joe Wilson, Treasurer Jim Ferry, and Secretary David Dust.

Minutes: The minutes of the October meeting were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Ferry reported the club's current checkbook balance is \$4,119.56 and the savings balance is \$7,628.15. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

Safety Officer's Report: Safety Officer Joe Wilson led a discussion regarding a recent event at the flying involving a very low flying full-scale aircraft and made the following key points:

- Full-scale aircraft should stay about 500' above persons, structures, and vehicles.
- If an incident should occur with a full-scale aircraft, the incident will result in extreme litigation, even if the full-scale aircraft is at fault.
- Avoid at all cost a collision or interference with a full scale aircraft, even if it requires crashing your model aircraft into the ground.

President Craig and Secretary Dust both added that it is everyone's responsibility to look out for full-scale aircraft and warn the RC pilots accordingly.

Old Business: President Craig pointed out that this evening's meeting had accidentally been scheduled for 7:00 PM instead of the usual 6:30 PM. Initially the membership discussed and voted on keeping the winter meetings at 7:00 PM; however, it was soon discovered that HobbyTown closes at 8:00 PM and, therefore, doesn't leave enough time for starting meetings at 7:00 PM. Hence, future winter meetings will be scheduled, as before, with the Executive Committee Meeting and the Business Meeting starting at 6:00 PM and 6:30 PM, respectively.

New Business: Secretary Dust briefly introduced Carl Beisel who volunteered to update the Club's webpage. Carl Beisel described how he had reconstructed the Club's current webpage within the WIX webpage development environment and set-up two laptops to demonstrate the key

features of the Club's new test webpage. During discussion regarding the transfer of the Club's webpage to a WIX hosted webpage, the following points were discussed:

- Carl B. described that he was working on a way to do email forwarding to the officers in the WIX environment, which is an important feature of the current webpage.
- Carl B. indicated that he will transfer the test webpage from his Google login to a login that he will create for the club.
- WIX's "premium" packages, which cost about \$10 to \$14 per month, would allow the use of the Club's current domain name.

The motion appointing Carl Beisel as the Club's Webmaster and to continue to use the "free version" for the time being was approved unanimously.

2. Safety Officer Wilson reported that he has been making arrangements for scheduling of the "swap-meet" at the Larimer County fairgrounds sometime in February or March. The final date for the swap-meet will be reported at the January Club Meeting.

Show-And-Tell: Secretary Dust very briefly presented his Tower Hobbies, Ryan STA ARF, featuring a 53 inch wingspan and 25 sized Suppo motor.

Meeting Adjourned at just before 8:00 PM, since HobbyTown closes at 8:00PM!

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at 6:30 PM at **HobbyTown** (3500 So. College in The Square Mall).

Respectfully Submitted,
David Dust
Rocky Mountain Modeleers Secretary



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