

The Flight Box



Letter from the President

May 7th, 2015

Gentlemen,

Looks like April was a good month, for showers and wind, as well as safety. It's nice to get to the field after work and relax. I'm sure that a number of winter projects will be making their maiden appearance soon, and I know I look forward to seeing the results of our skilled members.

Be safe, and I'll see you at the field.

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RVRC President 2015

Minutes of the meeting

Meeting called to order: 7:00pm

-29 members present, 0 junior member (s), 0 Associate, and 5 guests

-a quorum (23) was met

Guests:

-Preston Long, David Yuan, Mia Yuan, Jeremy Brimmer, Paul Stoutamire

Rejoining Club Members:

-Jeremy Brimmer

New Club Members:

-None

Announcements:

-Renewals for the early bird discount due tonight

-John Alexander held the floor for about 10 minutes discussing a clear attempt to sabotage one of his giant scale aircraft. Glue was deliberately poured into his rx. Luckily he found this out before take off during his preflight. John has contacted the authorities and they are taking the matter serious planning a full investigation into the grand larceny to include finger printing his aircraft. It was discussed and obviously there is no room in RVRC for this type of member. I, personally, can't imagine a RVRC member committing such a childish and dangerous act.

Old Business

-By-Law Committee reports– Vern reported that the final draft with changes highlighted in red is on the website. It is now considered the comment period for the changes. The club hopes to vote on these changes next month. You will receive the changes in the mail, 7 days prior to the meeting, as in accordance with the current by-laws.

-WOS VI– please see the following page.

-4 Members of the BOD have scheduled a meeting with Summit Helicopters to discuss long term land leasing options for RVRC

-The BOD is well aware the current state of the runway. We have quotes from companies for repairs and resurface. Needless to say, we will present options after the BOD has met with Summit.

-Memorial Day cook out has been scheduled. Several club members have offered to cook/ smoke main course meats. Each member is encouraged to come out and fly, bring the family, and most importantly a dish that will feed 8 or more. Dinner is planned to start exactly at 4:06pm.

-Bill Morgan, along with receiving quotes for runway repairs, has also replaced 7 RVRC chairs as well as printing out multiple copies of the WOS flyer for members to hand out. Also a new windsock was purchased and hung over the hangar.

-New Business.

- Paul Giordano and Ronnie Howl have both accepted to form this year's nomination committee, with Walnutz as chair. If you plan to run please contact either of these guys. Multiple vacancies are to be filled as many current BOD members have stated they wish not to return for 2016.

WINGS OVER SALEM VI

Wings over Salem 6 (actually 7) I can't believe it is upon us again! A ton of work goes into this fly-in and could not be done without the help of all the club members who graciously volunteer.

A few different changes this to this year's event are planned. First, the actual event is planned for Saturday this year. Not both days as years past. We are sanctioned for both days but all events as in demos, vending, and full scale demos are planned only for Saturday with Sunday being just open fly.

Events: This year we are trying to schedule events starting after the noon arrival of full scale aircraft as well as the Pit Show. Once that is over we plan to have multiple events. Anything is welcome. Please let us know if there is anything you would like to demo and/or want a allotted time slot. Once demos are over open flight continues.

Vending: Baum's BBQ double booked the event this year by accident. Well, we were a little late getting clearance from Summit, to give a commitment to Baum's. So help spread the word. If there is someone you know who is a professional food vendor and would be interested in the event please let us know. All we ask is for a 10% of gross sales donation to the cause. Other vendors are welcome too, the more the merrier, same donation applies. Of course this doesn't apply if your selling a aircraft from your inventory. I am talking about people who sell professionally.

Safety: WOS' number one priority is safety. We can not afford any accidents. Any. If you are having issues put your aircraft in the dirt, and by all means avoid Summit! Prime example was our member Jeff Stubbs who had a major, unforeseen, flight failure on a run last year during the event. Jeff had a very large and very expensive aircraft yank its firewall apart. Jeff, being the outstanding pilot he is, probably could have saved the aircraft however it would have required a stall turn over Summit's building. He stuck it in the dirt. Very professional and extremely safety conscious. That's what we expect and demand. There will be absolutely no maidens performed during the show. Please get you stuff flight ready prior to the show.

Volunteers: WE NEED YOU. The sign up sheet is in the field house. Same protocol as last year with one change. NO WALK-INS. All spectators and non-club members are to park outside the gate. That means we will need a staffed shuttle from 9am to 5pm. We will not have spectators cross active runways without supervision.

Thanks guys for all your help! I really enjoy this event as many members do. It's a way to show off what RVRC is all about. This comes in real handy. I have blasted all the media with a press packet release. I will include it in this news letter. Please feel free to contact as many as you know. Bob Grebe has already offered for studio time on their morning show the week prior to the event if anyone is interested! Print the flyer and stick it everywhere! Also hit up anyone you know for donations for raffle prizes. We will hang whatever sponsorship banners they want! Let's make this the biggest event yet!

Thanks again!
Josh

Hello,

My name is Josh May. I serve as the Board of Directors' Secretary as well as the Contest Director for the Roanoke Valley Radio Control Club. This letter is to inform your media department once again RVRC in Salem is hosting **Wings Over Salem VI**. It is a free air show in Salem with all proceeds to benefit disabled veterans through the **Wounded Warrior Program**. In previous years, with the much appreciated help of your advertising, we have seen thousands in attendance as well as raised thousands of dollars for the program.

Our show includes both radio control as well as full scale flight attractions. Vending, demos, raffles, plane rides and much more will be involved as well. WOS is a family oriented free show. Any publicity we could schedule prior to the event, June 20th-21, would be greatly appreciated. It's a terrific way to celebrate Father's Day weekend with family.

Attached is a copy of our flyer and a media packet about RVRC. Please do not hesitate to contact me on anything we could possibly schedule to help spread the word. Thank you for all the help your company has offered in the past and I look forward to hearing from you again!

Best Regards,

Josh May

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Roanoke Valley Radio Control Club Presents

WINGS OVER SALEM VI

Free Air Show!!!

June 20th



Location: Club Field, Trussmark Airport

525 McClelland St, Salem, VA 24153

37-17-05.4840N / 080-04-11.1450W

As you will be crossing multiple active runways

Please Park outside the fence in designated areas and wait to use free shuttle

Pilots must have current AMA membership, Pilots meeting at 8:30am, \$10 Landing Fee, \$20 Camp/Landing Fee (No Hook-ups). Set Up Begins Friday, June 19th 12pm, Full Scale Call Before, Vending Spots Available please contact:

Josh May, Contest Director, 540.314.8866

Proceeds Benefit



Sponsored By CrossRoads Hobbies of Salem



- ~ Giant Scale Aircraft Demos!!
- ~ FPV Racing & UAV Demos!!
- ~ Combat Aircraft Demos!!
- ~ Pylon Racing Demos!!
- ~ Night Flight Demos!!
- ~ Helicopter Demos!!
- ~ Full Scale Flights!!
- ~ Raffles & Prizes!!
- ~ Food Available!!
- And much more!!

Synopsis of RVRC Memberships Community Service

Roanoke Valley Radio Control contributions to the community:

Direct contributions:

- ☑ Salem Rescue Squad donations –Yearly support in a form of a donation
- ☑ Donations to churches – Contributions for Christmas gifts
- ☑ Veterans’ contributions – Salem Veterans Administration, Wounded Warriors, D Day memorial flying, and the VFW. Veteran guests invited during the summer
- ☑ Over 100 members that use the field every week during the summer month’s spending money in Salem at businesses such as restaurants and gas stations.
- ☑ Majority of members are from the greater Roanoke Valley area bringing in money to the Salem community
- ☑ A model aircraft show that brought in over 4500 people in the past three years that directly contributes to local business
- ☑ We employ local contractors and field service businesses

Social contributions:

- ☑ Christmas parade float
- ☑ Frequent school presentations at many different elementary schools in the past 5 years
- ☑ Presentations for home school children at our field
- ☑ Helping promote aviation in the Roanoke and Salem area

Non profit benefits:

- ☑ Donations as mentioned before
- ☑ Cross promotions of other non-profits to help generate donation money for local causes and charities
- ☑ Helping Brain Injury Services during the Wings Fest event to raise money for their cause

Career promotion:

- ☑ The upstart UAV industry begins with modelers
- ☑ RVRC has hosted pilots who have been employed by the defense industry
- ☑ Multiple business owners had their start first in the model aviation industry
- ☑ Many local business owners fly at RVRC and help network other members and their families

Family unity benefits:

- ☑ Family friendly environment
- ☑ Free Flight instruction to new club members with club supplied models
- ☑ Annual cookouts where families are invited to join RVRC during these events

- A place for fathers and mothers and their children to enjoy being outside in a safe controlled environment

☑ Military family support

☑ Visitors always welcome with a bleacher section and open gate days during the summer weekends so visitors can drive right in and enjoy the flying

RVRC as Non Profit Organization:

☑ \$10,000 + a year physical budget that is spent locally

☑ Encourage aviation as a hobby and a career

☑ Handicapped equipped

☑ Responsible for upkeep for about 15 acres of land that is meticulously maintained, kept free of trash, and protected from vandalism by a fence and constant occupation

☑ We have always kept an eye out for our sponsored business property

☑ All members fly under a strict safety code set up by the Academy of Model Aeronautics who provide each member with \$2.5 million in liability coverage

☑ RVRC has a 400Ft paved runway with a safety fence, a heated 700 Sq. Ft handicapped assessable clubhouse and handicapped restroom facilities

☑ 4 shelters and a storage building

RVRC History:

☑ In operation for over 30 years

☑ Today RVRC is recognized as one of the oldest and largest continuously operating RC clubs operating in the Mid-Atlantic States

☑ Our membership exceeds 100 members ranging from middle school children to World War II veterans.

☑ RVRC is proud to be charter club #638 of the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

☑ The Academy of Model Aeronautics and at the local level, RVRC, have worked with Congressman Bob Goodlatte and State Legislators to provide input to the FAA and the Virginia General Assembly to produce responsible legislation and FAA regulations regarding small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS - drones) to protect citizens privacy, promote the safe use of drones and to enhance the model aviation hobby.

Models of the Month

ARF:None

KIT: David Yeager built a Extra 300. He used a company called GET STENCILED.com for the painted on graphics which are beautifully done in Patty Wagstaff's colors and markings. The 35% runs on a 40cc gasser. All told the stencils only ran David about \$40. Vicky Deluck, who runs get stenciled, regularly does stencils for TOP GUN competition aircraft. Beautiful aircraft David!



NICE WORK!

Treasurer's Report
Presented by Jim Bowen, RVRC Treasurer

RVRC Treasurer's Report for Mar 2015
Prepared Apr 3, 2015

Checking Acct	\$5,332.20
Money M'kt Acct (as of Mar 31, 2015)	\$34,746.73
Total funds:	<u>\$40,078.93</u>

Income/Expense by Payee - Mar 2015

Checking Account	
3/1/2015 Beginning Balance	\$5,517.01

Deposits	none
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Deposits, total	<u>\$0.00</u>
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EXPENSES

Payee:

FOR:

3/20/2015 City of Salem	10.00	Monthly dumpster lease fee
3/20/2015 City of Salem	60.91	Electric utility bill
3/30/2015 Sporty's	113.90	New Wind Sock for Summit hangar

TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$184.81</u>
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3/31/2015 Closing Balance	\$5,332.20
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WOS VI



WE NEED YOU



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The RVRC holds regularly scheduled meetings on the 1st Monday of each month at the field in Salem.

Submissions to the newsletter are welcome and encouraged—especially any tips or hints to help fellow modeling enthusiasts. Items wanted to buy, or for sale, are also welcome.

Please mail information to:

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*DEADLINE IS THE 18th OF EACH MONTH
PRECEDING PUBLICATION.*

**Next RVRC meeting Monday, *June 1st, 2015,*
RVRC Clubhouse (By-Law Vote!!)**