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Prez Sez for May 2017

Field Flooded

This year our field is once again flooded. We will just have to wait for the Mississippi to go down. Bill McMenemy moved the tractor to a storage facility. He then had it picked up for some maintenance by the repair shop, Thanks Bill.

Next Meeting

Due to the flooding our next meeting will be Wednesday May 10th at the hobby shop.
Geotextile Voted Down

In case you missed the last email on the subject, based on the votes cast, we will not be installing Geotextile on the field. The final vote was 17 no 10 yes.

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

Richard

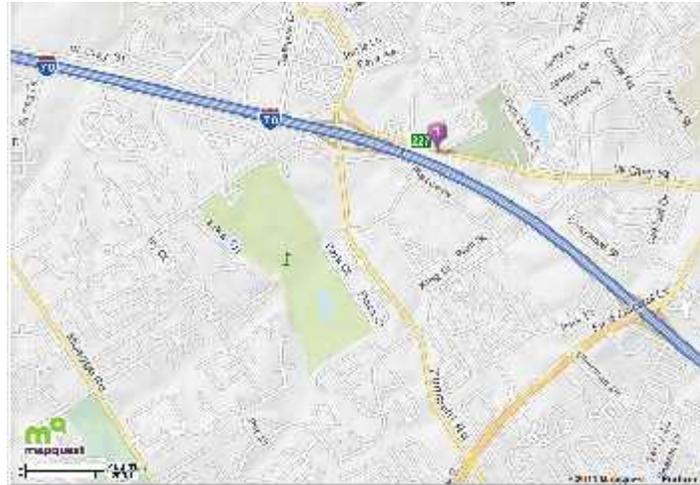
Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates: 2017: May 10, Jun 14, Jul 12, Aug 9, Sep 13
Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec * * TBD

Meeting Time: 7 to 9 pm

Meeting Location: **Mark Twain Hobby Shop**

From eastbound I-70 take the Zumbuhl exit north and turn right on West Clay. Go 1/4 mile. Mark Twain Hobbies will be on your right. The meeting room is entered via the leftmost outside door for Mark Twain Hobbies. Jun, Jul & Aug will be at the Saints field, depending on the weather.



Meeting Minutes

April Meeting Minutes (4/12/2017)

The meeting was called to order on 4/12/2017 by our President, Richard Jenkins.

Vice President Doug Sanders made the roll call. At that point, there are 47 members signed up in our club. There were 14 members present at this month's meeting including 2 new members. We currently have two non-flying senior members. There were 23 openings available at the time of the meeting. 70 is the maximum number allowed.

Our Treasurer, Mike Dierker, was present and he gave the treasurers report. Approved.

There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as given. Approved.

Safety report – None. No flying UAS's at military bases. No new changes by the FAA

Field report – At meeting time, the field was a little muddy, but the road is in good shape. Bill McMenemy has been mowing. Frank Eck has volunteered to assist. There is still a request for someone to help with the mowing. There is a good crop of dandelions on the field. Our President mentioned that we have sprayed in the past. Tom Jenson has access to herbicide 2 4 D. He said that he would spray, but we need someone with a water tank for the back of a truck. Pres doesn't know of anyone that has a tank. At one time the owner sprayed the field. We've always had the problem of getting water to the field. The question was asked if we could rent a

tank. An email will be sent out things work out. Frank's sprayer will hold 22 gallons and he needs about 120 gallons for the field. Cost of 2 4 D was not discussed. Roundup kills grass and everything, 2 4 D kills only broad leaf.

Old business. – Frank Eck passed around Geotextile samples. Survey resulted in 25 responses: 14 yes and 11 no's to laying geotextile down at field. It was mentioned that geotextile could bring more members to the club. A 30' x 150' roll goes for \$2000. Frank will check on how much it weighs.

Discussed Pro's – It could increase club membership.

Discussed Con's – Propeller strikes tear holes in the Geotextile and will need repairs. Pontoon beach says they patch once a month. Wes Wallin mentioned that we could invite other clubs. Some felt this would be viewed negatively as if we were trolling for members.

As we continued with the 'Yea' or Nay, we agreed that another email should be sent out.

Motioned made to send out another email.

John Bouchillon – He said remove the Board members from the Constitution and the Club's bylaws. There was a motion to send out an email to ask if we should delete the section in the constitution pertaining to Board Members. It was mentioned that a vote would require 66% of the membership to pass. Note to change the meeting update it on the brochure to say meetings are now on Wednesdays. Pres said he will also look at the membership rules which are old. He will look into probationary membership, trial memberships, and review information on removing members.

Show and tell:

Larry Bollinger brought in a Dynam F6F Hellcat. Motion RC had them on sale back in January and he got it for \$129. It has realistic scale features. It comes with motor, servos, retracts and optional flaps that he added. He put his own receiver in it. He mentioned that he replaced pan head screws with countersunk to alleviate catching of the retracts. He also stated that he had to do a little touching up of the paint job. He got two colors of paint from Walmart (one lighter and one darker) and he mixed them until the color matched. He painted some black behind the exhaust to emulate a hot exhaust. Our president added that you can take a sample of a painted section to Home Depot and they would match it and sell you a small can. The plane came with a cool spinner and two props. It uses a 3720 motor on a 4 cell battery. He was concerned if the 2 ½" wheels would be enough to take off from the field. I assured him that they would. He hasn't flown it yet, and he joked that he thought he would bring it to show and tell while it was looking it's best! This is his first plane of the year, his first plane with retracts and his first warbird. President gave him a suggestion to fly smooth, don't make any sudden movements or it will bite you. Prez has plenty of experience with warbirds. We joked about how easy they make planes fly on YouTube!

50/50 –. Frank Eck

Attendance Prized: Larry Bollinger, Wes Wallin.

Motion to adjourn.

John Bouchillon has two E-flite planes for sell - UMX Yak 54/\$100 UMX Sbach 342/\$90.

Show & Tell

Don Bollinger and his F6F Hellcat

