


The Transmitter

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Coming in May and June

May 4th, Monday, Member Meeting, ZOOM, 6:30pm login

May 18th, Monday, Board Meeting, ZOOM, 6:30pm login (Pending)

June 1st, Monday, Member Meeting, ZOOM, 6:30pm login

Members Participate in ZOOM Meeting!

The COVID-19 virus has been affecting us all, but not stopping us! Last month, due to our meeting room being unavailable at St. John Neumann Church, we held our first online membership meeting using Zoom. Zoom is a conferencing application that provides the next best thing to being there.

We had a total of 13 members participating in the meeting and it was very fun to meet with most of our members sitting in their workshops! Using video is not mandatory but makes the meeting more like sitting together. Sharing is much easier, and you don't need to leave the comfort of home!

We will continue with this venue as long as we are unable to meet at the church. And we may even continue to "stream online" after we resume regular meetings so that members who cannot physically get to a meeting can participate.

So, mark your calendars now! You should receive a link to the meeting via email. For now, we will not publicly publish the link, but may eventually do so to allow visitors to participate.

If you are new to Zoom and haven't tried it yet, plan to login a bit early. We will be able to help get things running smoothly before the meeting starts.

See you there!

Fun Flys and Static Display are On-Hold

The DuPage Forest Preserver is currently keeping all the model flying fields closed. When they do reopen, there may be restrictions on the number of individuals at the field or other restrictions. So, we are unable to plan events at this time. But we will watch and adapt!

Another traditional event that is on hold is our annual static display. It is on hold because we are assuming we need a physical location to

have such an event. But maybe there is an outside the box solution! It might be possible to have an online static display. Members could set their backgrounds to their work, or one at a time present pictures of their projects, or submit photos to the chairperson so a slide show can be created for everyone to watch.

Give it some thought. Maybe we could make it happen in June?

Meeting Notes for Membership Meeting

April 6, 2020

Membership Meeting was called to order on April 6, 2020 at 7 PM.

Attendance: There were 13 members present at the online meeting held through the Zoom application and hosted by Scott Taylor.

Officer Reports:

President: Hector Rivera stated that everything has changed but we will be going forward. Due to the Corona virus and restrictions on everyone to stay at home we decided to meet online with Zoom. Scott Taylor volunteered to host our meetings and Hector felt that this might be a good way to keep in touch and up to date.

The next membership meeting will be May 4th and the next Board meeting will be April 20th.

We will have our meetings next month on Zoom. It is unknown when we can meet at the church or library again.

Vice President: Paul Kramer wanted to confirm that the raffle had been cancelled since the Swap had to be cancelled. Discussion led to what about the raffle tickets that were already purchased. All of the members attending offered to donate their purchases.

Secretary: Ruth Egging did not have any updates.

Treasurer: Bob Vance stated the bank balance was \$5,826. We will need to decide what to do with the raffle money.

COMMITTEES

Safety Officer: Larry Amiot did not have any updates.

Membership: Merv Keeney was unable to attend the meeting.

New Business

Dean Paulus had contacted the Club and stated that he had some of his father's old RC airplanes

and stuff. Marty Schrader worked with him to pick up the old equipment. Marty stated that most of it is just too old to be of any value.

Also, a different former member, Dan "the Battery man" had sent an email stating he had old catalogs and manuals if anyone would like them. Bob Vance picked up these items. If anyone is interested in these items, please contact Bob.

Show and Tell

Larry Antemann had an electric RC stockcar that was 30 years old that he had at MetroFest.

Scott Taylor showed us his RC Piper Cherokee model airplane. He had made the model to look like his real airplane, a 1963 Piper Cherokee 180.

Paul Kramer had an airplane that was powered by rubber bands that he got at Christmas time.

Larry Amiot has DX8 and DX6 transmitters that he could not balance charge the batteries in them. He showed us how he was able to change the battery pack to be able to balance charge the batteries. He peeled the wrapper off and added a balance plug. He made sure he did not cut the batteries and there were no short outs. Battery selection is also important.

Marty stated that all batteries have a high voltage tower.

Paul Lund showed a 1/4 scale Cub. It is his first gas airplane. It has a 20 CC engine.

Marty Schrader showed us his Flat Iron No 7 model plane. It is the first MDF plane that he made. When he had to repair it, he put winglets on it to make it more stable.

Door Prizes

Since we are meeting online there are no Door Prizes and cannot do the turkey drawing.

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