

# AMOS General Meeting – July 12, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by the Vice President, Doug Keller.

Board members present: Doug Keller, Steve Snider, Basil Yousif, Fred Quartier, Fred Light, Jim Hill, Jerry Dodge and Jim Irey.

Members Present: 40 members present.

Guests: Joey and Mathew Duffy (Ralph's grandkids). Wayne Feiling,

New Members: Rob Miller, Bob Webster, Ken Runestrand, Curt Burgess.

Secretary Report: Steve Snider

The July Board Meeting and June General Meeting minutes were emailed to all members and placed on the AMOS Website.

Motion: by Marvin Pass and seconded by Dick Ryan, to accept the June Board Meeting and July General Meeting minutes as posted. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report: Basil Yousif

Balances as stated in the Treasurer's Report sent to the membership as follows: Checking - \$5,255.98, Savings - \$2,350.41. Income - \$1,000.00, Expenses - \$2,321.00

Motion: by Jim Hill and seconded by Ralph Tarrant, to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Motion carried.

Loans: One more loan has been paid off. The current outstanding Loan balance is \$58,270. We are ahead of schedule with the loan payback process.

Membership – Fred Light

Currently 152 members with several applications pending. We are well ahead of our 2011 Business Plan for new members, which is 150 members by the end of 2011. Blank applications are in the Frequency Board box.

Safety Report & Training Report – Fred Quartier (Not present at meeting)

Fire at the field. Will be discussed at the end of the meeting. Thanks to Art Holder for donating the Ammo Box for damaged Lipo Safety and Jim Irey for placing it beside the Frequency Pole. Jim has also placed 4 bottles of water at the base of the Frequency Pole and the Fire Extinguisher on the pole. Again, for future safety when transporting a damaged Lipo, use this Ammo box to place your Lipo battery when recovered from a crash or anytime when a Lipo battery starts to smoke or swells up

Reminder, to achieve the "Fail Safe" status with 2.4. GHz radios, always re-bind your transmitter to the receiver after all connections are made. This should be done before starting the engine. With the transmitter on and the plane switch on (engine off), turn off the transmitter and watch which way the

throttle goes. It should always go to low or off and not high. If the throttle goes to high, reverse the throttle switch and re-bind. The throttle should always go to low or off when power is lost.

We now have several newly refurbished (by art Holder and Jerry Dodge), Trainers for Wednesday night flying instruction. Thanks to those people who have donated the Trainers. 4-6 new trainees have been coming to instruction night. Talk up the importance of the Wednesday night instruction to anyone interested in learning how to fly. This is a great way to get new members into the club. If anyone is willing to donate a gallon or two of Nitro fuel, it would be appreciated. The program has already used 8 or 9 gallons of Nitro fuel.

Committee Chairman Report: Jim Hill

All coming AMOS Club Events have been reported in previous Board and General meeting minutes. Please refer to the minutes for dates, times and specific events and food.

President's Fun Fly. See the last Board meeting minutes or Website for details.

Woodland Davis Aeromodelers Float Fly. August 13 and 14, at Lake Minden. (close to Hwy 99 and Nicolaus – 1256 Marcum Rd., Nicolaus, CA). This is a 3 day Event. Camping (No Hookups) available at the Lake (Thousand Trails) for 20.00. (Friday – Sunday). Pilot fee \$10.00 - Onetime fee. 1 Day - \$8.00 (Park Fee) plus Pilot Fee, 2 day - \$10.00 (Park Fee) plus Pilot Fee. Your Park Fee pays for flying, car track, miniature golf and paddle boats. For more details, contact Randy Sizemore at 916-804-4250.

Newsletter Editor: Jim Irey

Swap meet this Saturday (July 16). Saturday night potluck, followed by night flying. See Jim's email. Wednesday mornings, breakfast at the Casino at 9:15, followed by flying at the field.

Discussion Points:

Christmas Installation Dinner: Jim and Camille Hill

Date set for Tuesday, December 13, 2011. Locked in at Turkey Creek Golf Course. Nice big open room, plenty of parking, wet bar is available (at your own expense), 2 entrees (tri-tip and chicken) with total meal. It is buffet style so everyone can get their food at a similar time. Cost is \$28.00 per person, for the complete meal (excluding drinks).

Field Marshall: The Field Marshall position previously held by Mike Haston, has been vacated. Sorry to see you leave Mike and thanks for your work to date. If anyone is interested in the position, please contact John Sorenson and plan to attend the next Board meeting, which will be August 3<sup>rd</sup>. See the Constitution and By-Laws for specific duties and responsibilities of the Field Marshall. 2012 Club dues will be waived for the individual appointed Field Marshall for the remainder of the year.

John Kinne: John had previously committed to donating \$300.00 towards the construction of a safety fence. The fencing project has not gone as John expected it to and he voiced his concerns and dissatisfaction with the project.

Motion: by John Kinne and seconded by Ralph Tarrant, to postpone the construction of the fence until after all the loans have been repaid as the Club agreed to when the loans were taken out, and John's \$300.00 be returned to him. This is a 2 part motion.

Discussion: A motion was made, seconded and carried at a previous meeting to put the fence up, for primarily safety reasons and to use John Kinne's \$300.00 to buy the needed merchandise. Due to various legitimate reasons, construction on the fence has not been started. Jim Irey was voted to be in charge of the fence project and will devote the necessary time to complete the project.

Rich Nowatzki pointed out that if the motion on the floor passes, the safety fence won't be built for 3 years because that's when the loans will be paid off.

Jim Hill stressed that regardless of whether we approve of the motion of John Kinne getting his money back, we need the fence now for safety reasons. Several others agreed.

John Kinne amended his motion and it was seconded by Dean Crump, to withdraw the statement in the motion that pertained to postponing the building of the fence. The portion of the motion that pertained to John's request for return of his \$300.00 remained. The Amendment to the original motion passed.

The Amended Motion by John Kinne and seconded by Dean Crump, now reads that John Kinne's \$300.00 donation for fencing construction be returned to him. Motion approved.

Donations taken at the meeting for fence construction. Fred Price recommended that we collectively, at this meeting, donate money to get the fence completed. A donation collection was taken at the meeting to purchase the necessary fencing materials. The collective donation amounted to \$200.00. Thanks everyone for helping to get our fence construction started.

Toys for Tots: Doug Keller. The AMOS Club will collect toys at the October and November meetings. The requirement is a toy that is new, off the shelf, with a value of not less than \$10.00. This project is a way for the Club to help the community.

Field Fire Report: Doug Keller. Doug discussed the fire situation that involved a Nitro Helicopter. A mechanical failure caused the helicopter to crash slightly Northeast of the crosswind runway. The helicopter caught fire and spread to the grass. The Fire Department was called immediately. John Sorenson has contacted all responsible parties and as President of AMOS, is the only person authorized to do so. Doug showed a map that clearly outlines our "Fly Over" area. If anyone has any personal knowledge of the incident, please write down your observations as you recall them and report them only to John Sorenson.

#### Fire Department and Ambulance Telephone Numbers:

Club Members discussed the best ways to reach the Fire Department and/or the Ambulance. Dialing 911 on your cell phone is an excellent way to report a Fire or an injury that requires medical attention. Other members suggested it would also be a good idea to have the direct numbers for the closest Fire Department and the Ambulance.

Rob Miller has served in the past as a Fire Fighter. Rob stated do not try to outrun a fire, it moves too fast and it can't be done. Call 911 or the direct number to the Fire Department.

Motion: by Nate Watts and seconded by Dean Crump, to post the telephone numbers of the Fire Department and Ambulance at the field.

Motion: by Doug Keller and seconded by Jerry Dodge, to Table the Motion by Nate Watts and let the Board discuss the appropriate way to display the sign with the Fire Department numbers and the Ambulance numbers. Motion to Table carried.

Show and Tell:

Chuck Blackwelder showed an Astro Viking airplane that was built from a kit. The design of the airplane is over 70 years old and it still flies great.

Ralph Tarrant showed a Hyperion EOS Meter that shows the percent charge of a Lipo battery and the percentage decrease as the Lipo is used.

Sno Ball Raffle:

The raffle this month is worth \$95.00. The winning ticket was drawn by Art Holder. Art reached into the canister and.....drew out the WHITE BALL. Congratulations Art. Are drinks on you at the Christmas Dinner? \$25.00 will seed the raffle in August and we start over. Start saving your money for the August meeting. Save your non-winning tickets for the "special" raffle drawing at the Christmas dinner

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

Steve Snider, Secretary, AMOS Flying Club