Meeting Minutes March 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Jim Trimbell, President, at 7:00 P.M.

35 members and 2 guests attended.

Guests – Jim Stroh and Alan Stroh from Washington state.

New member introductions -

Rick Marshall David Paul

Treasurer's Report – Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for February. Operating income totaled \$120 and expenses totaled \$395. The month-end operating balance was \$6,123.

Secretary's Report – Jerry Case read the February 10, 2014 meeting minutes.

Old business

- Health status of club members: Ken Fleshman and Bob Hamilton reported that they were recovering well from their health issues.
- Flying fields –

Twin Buttes:

The AMA safety code and club rules were posted on the shed.

Jim Heuer built and delivered two new safety stands for the field. He also built a cupola and installed it above the posted rules.

Weeds are starting to grow in the pit area and on the runway. Spraying will have to start soon.

FICO:

A request for a volunteer to be the Field Manager resulted in dead silence.

Ken Fleshman, Safety Coordinator, still needs to post the AMA Safety Code and our club rules at the field.

A request for a volunteer to be a project leader and purchaser for replacing the old safety fencing was also met with silence.

Safety issues –

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- Jim Trimbell reported that strangers, who were observed flying at FICO, drove a little red Datsun and said that they were former club members. This is another issue involving non-members that needs to be addressed.
- Dr. Ken Fleshman gave a presentation on First Aid techniques that members should know in case of an accident at a flying field. Ken made up two first aid kits which he donated to the club for keeping in the sheds at the flying fields.
- Bob Orr suggested that pilots use neck straps to keep their transmitters from falling on their planes and causing injuries.
- o Electric plane pilots need to keep the power off until they are ready to fly.
- Members were informed about the Southwest Ambulance service in our area. The sell a
 very reasonable subscription to an insurance policy that covers the cost of ambulance
 transportation over and above our other medical plans. Jerry Case said he would put
 more information about the insurance plan on our web site.
- Members were warned about the risks of dehydration and about rattle snakes that may be hiding around the pit areas.
- **Web site report** Added new photos for March, the Treasurer's report and Meeting Minutes for February, and links to videos from Teryn DalBello's hexacopter.
- AMA News Videos on guest speakers at the 2014 AMA Expo are available on the AMA web site. Plans from the Park Pilot magazine are available for downloading.
- **Membership report** The membership count is currently at 90.
- Area flying events Announced by Jim Trimbell.

New Business:

- Missing Camera: Bob Hamilton made an appeal for help from members who were present when he was taken to the hospital from the Twin Buttes flying field. His camera is still missing in spite of efforts to locate it.
- Club Picnic: Jim Trimbell asked attendees if they wanted to have a spring picnic this year and if someone would volunteer to organize it. The consensus was "no" and "no."
- Policy Regarding Visiting Pilots: Jim Trimbell said that he had talked to members of our club and the TRCC club about a policy limiting the number days that a guest can fly at our fields without having to join our club. The discussion resulted in a suggested policy that:
 - o The guest must be an AMA member.
 - o Each member will be allocated at most 6 guest flying days per year.
 - The club member is responsible for accompanying the guest at a flying field.
 - o The club member must ensure that the guest knows the AMA Safety Code and our club
 - o A guest must join the club to fly more than 6 days a year.

Show & Tell:

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- **Jim Trimbell**: Brought a collection of plastic models of commercial aircraft that he had professionally piloted. They were painted in the colors of North Central Airlines whom he worked for.
- Rodney Bird: Brought a Kondor Model Products Cirrus SR 22 that he bought in 2009. It has a composite fuselage and balsa wings. The power plant is a Saito twin 4-stroke that Bob Orr rebuilt after a crash. The wing span is 87". An adjustable front landing gear and wheel replaced the original. The plane is painted in automotive paint.

• Frank Hite: Brought the last of several Talking Timers to sell at the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:10 PM