

#### THE PROP WASH

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Kirk Jensen

## PRESIDENTS CORNER

Hello barnstormers!

It's freaking hot. If you are out at the field be sure to keep hydrated and as cool as possible. Don't go looking for a downed airplane without letting folks know where you are going.

# We have been doing pretty good with the neighbor, but I have received 2 calls lately. Folks flying over her property, and as deep as over her house and pool. Thanks to Paul Langer who was at the field when it happened and got with the offending pilot. Please be aware of our property line.

Thanks also to Sam for getting our well pump controls going again. See you at the field.

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Meetings are at the Conroe Friendship Center (Meals on Wheels building) on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM

We hope to see you there.

## Meeting Minutes

June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022 Tri-County Barnstormers meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with 19 members and 1 visitor in attendance at the Friendship Center in Conroe. Secretary Joe Marquardt was absent due to a conflict so his son Cooper assumed his responsibilities.

<u>Field report:</u> Field is looking good thanks to the weekly mowing teams. Please help the team captains maintain the field by volunteering as a cutting crew. The water well pump controller was discovered with a high voltage alarm and the motor start capacitor was failed. After troubleshooting it was discovered that the pump controller circuit board was bad and the capacitor and controller were replaced.



Joe Marguardt

<u>Treasury Report:</u> There are currently 140 members in the club. The club continues to maintain healthy bank balances and the next large expense will be the insurance policy for the field. There are nine members that do not have a current AMA membership and should have received a notice from the treasurer. Please renew or contact the treasurer.

<u>Old business:</u> Still requesting/asking for volunteers to step up and be a contest director (for AMA sanction events) or chairs to run a Big Bird, drone, or fun fly at the field this year

#### New business:

A new member, Ernest Tamiyo, was presented and voted into the club.

An open discussion for club improvements was opened during the meeting. One suggestion was to install a pond for water-based RC activities.

One neighbor called about possible trespassing on their property through their back gate that may have been from the flying field. If you have an unplanned landing off the field property, please approach the neighbor before entering their property.

#### Prizes and Models:

Chips, cookies, and drinks were available to the meeting attendees.

Attendance drawing winner was John Pearl (not present).

Name tag drawing winner was Jeremiah Langola.

4 Models were presented and Don Bonnet won model of the month after presenting his Eclipse 3D Printed Plane

Next meeting July 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM will be conducted in person (at the Conroe Community Senior Center@ 1202 Candy Cane Lane (formerly The Friendship Center)).

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Happy flying in 2022 and look forward to seeing at the field!



## Words from the VP

Hello fellow barnstormers!

It has been hot outside this month. Bring plenty of water and drink it. Lol I got in my car to leave at 6pm and it said the outside temp was 120. Keep an eye on each other and fly on!

Gabriel Virene

Remember to spin the numbers on the gate lock after you open it. I looked the other day, and it was still on the gate code.

Been working on some cool projects that are coming soon.

Don't forget we mow the field ourselves as members and it is all voluntary work. Come out and help on Fridays if you can make it. Even Saturday morning early. Thanks to all the mowing crew and helpers. It is very appreciated.

I heard some cool things are in our future at tri county! Stay tuned.

I hope to see you all out at the field.

Till next time!!

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Sam Barrett

## The Treasurers Report

Hard to believe it's June already and no problem, our Treasury is still in good shape! How time flies when you are having a good time, huh? Well, the FY 2022 membership year is almost gone and invoices go out next month to our existing members for FY2023 dues. Every year I get a lot of questions about the dues; how much they are or, when they are due or, how long do I have to get my dues payment in before my membership is terminated, etc. Those questions are answered in Section V of our Constitution and By-Laws. The following are some summaries of the answers to be

found there.

Dues are not stated in the by-laws as they are set by the club membership, by a vote of 2/3 of a quorum, at a regular club meeting; the last such meeting set dues at \$100 per year, to be prorated for months remaining partial year for a new member joining at other than August  $1^{st}$ .

Section V, Paragraph C.3 gives members 60 days before their membership is terminated for non-payment of dues. Terminated means you cannot access the field as you are no longer a member.

Section V, Paragraph C.5 gives a terminated member another 90 days to request reinstatement by submitting a member application and paying all past dues and assessments. Acceptance of the delinquent member's application is only subject to a vote by the Executive Committee. If you fail to request re-instatement in the 90 days allotted, you are treated as any new member joining the club and also subject to dues and pay another initiation fee and be voted in at a regular monthly meeting.

Although the By-Laws don't mention it, the Executive Committee can consider waiving the delinquent dues penalties for hardships such as military deployment, death in immediate family or serious illness of a member on a case by case basis.

The subject of increasing our dues has been mentioned and a number of our monthly meeting but we have been able to operate efficiently and keep our dues very affordable. Please make every effort to get your dues in on time as they are due on August 1<sup>st</sup>, it's the first day of the new membership year and that starts the clock running.

As always, don't forget that your AMA must also be current if you fly at our field, no exceptions. Stay safe and fly covered by your AMA membership.



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July 7th