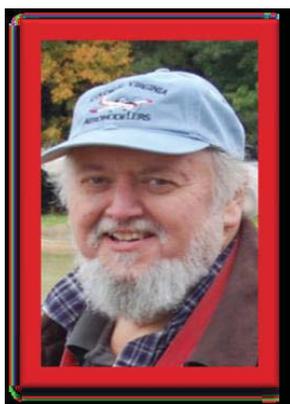




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Presidents Column: John Backes

Meeting Schedule

All future meetings (except for the Christmas Dinner) in 2015 will be held at the Williamsburg Christian Church on the second Thursday of the month, starting at 7 PM. The next meetings will be November 12 and December 10 (Christmas Dinner).

Directions to Williamsburg Christian Church – The building is at 200 John Tyler Lane. At the intersection of Route 199 and Route 5 turn the OPPOSITE direction that you would turn to go to the field. Go 50 yards and turn right (left is Strawberry Plains Rd). You can't miss the church; it is on the right just past the professional park that you can see from Route 199.

Everyone needs to be warned that there is an additional fine of \$200 for going over 25 MPH and the cops are there a lot.

Christmas Dinner

The Christmas Dinner will be held Dec. 10 at the Peking Mongolian & Japanese Restaurant in Williamsburg. NOTE Change from last year. The website is www.peking-va.com. The cost will be adults - \$1700; children under 9 years old \$7.00; children 3-4 \$5.00. The address is 120 Waller Mill Road, Williamsburg. Directions – From Newport News – take I64 west – exit at 238 (Camp Perry), make left onto VA-143E, turn right onto VA-132 (second light), turn right onto US60/Bypass Road. Stay on Bypass Road, turn right at second light onto Waller Mill Road. Peking is in far corner of the Big Kmart Shopping Center. This year we will be collecting for the dinner in advance. Make your checks payable to CVA and mail to Jon Persons, 6339 Centerville Road, Williamsburg, Va. 23188 by December 4. Write the number people and the category in the memo line. You may also pay at the November meeting but ONLY if you have cash in an envelope with your name and the number of people and category attending written on the outside or a check with the number of adults and children written in the memo area. If you pay your money and are not able to attend, we will make a refund.

We will decide on our charitable cause for this year at the November meeting.

CVA Events

We had a very successful year for our events. A couple of events had some weather issues but we were able to get them in. The National Model Aviation Day was another big success. The next scheduled CVA event is New Year's Day.

Indoor Flying

The indoor flying season is starting with an event on Wednesday, Nov. 11 at the Boo Williams Sportplex at the end of Hampton Roads Center Parkway. The event will be from 10:00 to 2:00. This is a good way to get some flying in during the winter months and is an interesting area of modeling. Come out and visit.

Show and Tell

We are going to have a short show and tell at the end of each meeting. You are invited to bring a new plane, a neat gadget or to show an interesting building technique.

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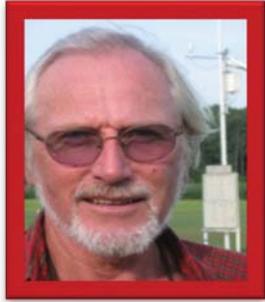
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Secretary's Report: Gary Clifford

CVA Meeting Minutes: 10/08/15

The October 8, 2015 meeting was held at the Williamsburg Christian Church and called to order by the president at 7:00pm with 18 members present. The President announced the minutes from the September meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes as published. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.



Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer reported on the club's finances that included expenditures for the club website, a new tractor seat and a recent lease payment.

The suggestion was made that Jon explore the possibility and associated cost of replacing the standard toilet with a handicapped accessible unit to accommodate those members & guests that require such facilities.

Site Improvements:

Tom reported that there has been no recent grass growth so from this point forward the field will be mowed if and as required.

The corn crop has been harvested and may be replaced with winter wheat.

Tom intends to get both tractors serviced and have the blades changed so they are ready for next year's flying season but will wait until spring to remove & replace the windsocks.

Activities:

Some local events include:

HRRC Float Fly - 10/10/2015

Boo Williams indoor Fly 10/12/15

CVA Annual Picnic 10/17/15

CVA Big Bird Fly - 10/24/2015

Safety:

The president reminded everyone of the importance of re-binding Tx & Rx after making any programming changes.

Training:

Nothing to report.

Club Promotion:

Winston displayed the latest shipment of club hats for sale.

Old Business:

A private room in the Peking Restaurant was suggested for the Christmas Dinner. A vote was taken and the majority in attendance were in agreement. Alan will post pricing before the November meeting. A vote was also taken to invite the farmer who found and returned a plane previously lost in the corn. It too passed by majority. The president and treasurer presented the proposed 2016 Budget for comment. A motion was made to accept the budget as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Jon announced that he was in possession of the new CVA road sign. Winston will meet with John Hofmeyer to finalize an acceptable installation location.

New Business:

None.

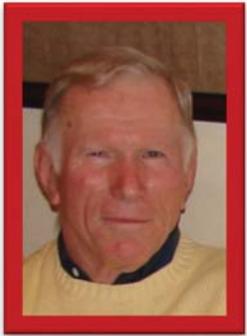
Show & Tell:

Gary displayed Freeman's Cricket (Mud Duck). Gary and John then explained several changes that were necessary to make it flyable. The aircraft was then purchased by Joe Musika.

Joe spoke about the difficulty he was experiencing in obtaining replacement landing gear parts for his Multiplex Pilatus PC-6 Porter.

Alan showed several minutes of excellent aerial video taken at NMAD by Bob Felberg with his Yuneec Quad-Copter.

There being no further club business the meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

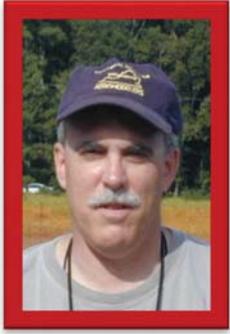


Activities: Joe Musika

Well, it took a while to have good weather in which to hold an event. Finally the jinx was broken! We were able to have our Giant Scale Event in beautiful weather, and it was a big success. Approx. 15 fliers, plus lots of planes. Among the group of planes flown, were 5 Mustangs, plus a Fokker DR7. The Fokker was the most feared during the Great War. There also were a variety of models- too many to name them all. Plus, in our raffle, a Great Planes Big Stick was won by a visitor. Thanks to Les Britt for donating the plane! Previously Les won this plane in a earlier raffle but decided since he had enough planes, to donate the plane as a prize for our show. Thanks Les, for your generosity!! Plus thanks to Steve Kolet for bringing Deer Chili, and with the Hot Dogs, we ate good!!!!

Our flying events for this year are over. We've started on next year's plans, anybody having "Ideas" for events do not be shy, Speak Up!!!! Contact event coordinator Joe Musika, or a board member if you wish to run one.

The annual Christmas Dinner-Meeting will take place on Dec. 10th, at the oriental restaurant in the K-Mart shopping center on by-pass road. Go to Presidents Corner in this newsletter for additional information. Hope to see you there!



Training: Alan Fry

Website of the Month

I asked John Backes where he likes to buy carbon fiber. John replied that he has used BP Hobbies in the past. BP Hobbies, formerly Balsa Products, states that their company vision is to provide quality RC products at a fair price. Here is the link:

<https://www.bphobbies.com/>

Do you have a favorite website? If so, let me know and I will put it in the newsletter. Favorite online store, how to build, how to fly, etc. - send me the link! My email address:

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Cutting Composite Tubes and Rods

I also asked John Backes if he knew of anything on line that provided information on working with Carbon Fiber. John suggested that I visit ACP Composites and look at their article titled “**The Do’s and Don’ts of Cutting Composites Rods and Tubes**”. The article is a nice primer that also includes a link to a video on the same subject. Here is the link:

<http://www.acpsales.com/pages.php?pageid=33>

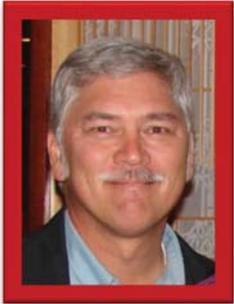
While you are at ACP Composites website, you may want to take a look around. ACP Composites carry many products that we use in our hobby.

See you at the field.

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