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2019 Meeting Schedule

All meetings (except for the Christmas Dinner) in 2019 will be held at the Williamsburg Christian Church on the second Thursday of the month, starting at 7 PM. The next meetings will be September 12 and October 10.

Show and Tell

I would like to have the Show and Tell be a major part of each meeting. I moved this to the top to give it more emphasis. Please spend some time thinking of what you might present. There is a TV that we can use for showing videos. If you send me a link for a video that you want to present, I can download it and bring my laptop.

Local Events

Sep 21 – CVA Cub Fly

Oct 19 – CVA Warbirds over Williamsburg

National Model Aviation Day

The National Model Aviation Day was another great success. We had 30 pilots than any previous year and a good turnout of spectators. The rain in the morning hampered the spectator attendance but it made for a very pleasant day with mild temperatures. Thanks to all the pilots and to all those that worked to make it happen.

Elections

The elections will be held during the September meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted prior to the election.

Budget

The budget must be submitted for approval at the October meeting. If you have any suggestions for changes in the budget please contact an officer after the election.

Field Maintenance

We need additional volunteers to help with the grass cutting and weed eating. There are a small number of volunteers currently doing the work. This becomes a real problem when the regular guys go on vacation. If you can help, even occasionally, please contact Bill Talbot (billtalbot2@gmail.com). You do not need to cut the grass at the same time as the other people. We can get you a key to the shed and you can cut whenever it is convenient.

Logos

It was suggested that we select a few logos that might be used on CVA flyers, hats and for other uses. A group of logos were submitted. The logos are shown below. Send an email to jb753@cox.net with your first, second and third choice.



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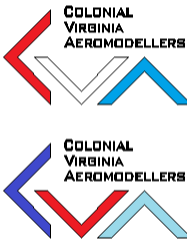
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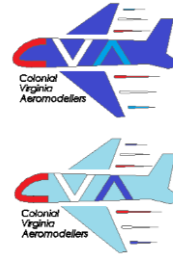
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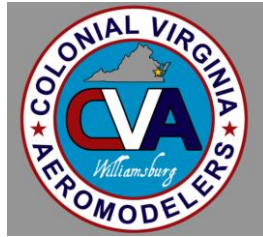
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Secretary's Report: Fred Hill

CVA Meeting – August 8, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by John Brakes. A total of 13 members were present. The minutes from the July meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Jon Persons

Income – one \$20 donation

Expenses – Bill Talbot was reimbursed for expense for field upkeep. United Services was paid.

The operating fund, mowing and PayPal fund totals were reported.

Site Improvements – Bill Talbot

Be sure to check the Guest entries area of the web site to keep up to date on when the field will be worked on. Help is always needed with the upkeep of the field.

Activities

1. 8/17 – HRRC – National Model Aviation Day
2. 8/24 – CVA – National Model Aviation Day
3. 9/21 – CVA Club Fly

Safety – Cliff Casey

Newport News is very strict about not plugging in batteries until you are in the flight station area. Electric engines can be very dangerous if they power up when the plane is not properly secured. Radios should be programmed with a throttle cut off switch. This is best practice and should be followed out at our field as well. Make sure that your plane is properly restrained prior to powering up. If possible, use an arming plug on larger electric planes.

Training – Alan Fry

No report

Old Business

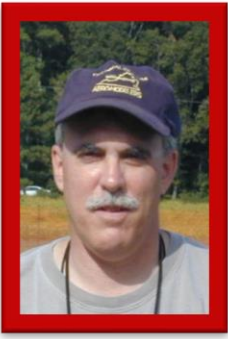
The update of the club logos is still being worked on. When ready a list of possible logos will be included with the monthly newsletter.

New Business

There was a general discussion regarding the current field lease and the long term club goals.

Show and Tell

Steve Kolet and Alan Hall showed their homemade caps T prong battery chargers to keep them from making contact on octopus type connectors for battery chargers.



Training: Alan Fry

Website of the Month

I wanted to draw up some plans to use in making cutout templates for a Nutball combat plane. To do so, I was looking for a FREE CAD software program to install on my computer. I know a little AutoCAD from years ago, and didn't want to take the time to learn a new CAD program. I tried 3 different free CAD programs, with one of them called NanoCAD. I was able to be productive with it immediately because it works almost exactly like AutoCAD. Here is the link if you are interested:

<https://nanocad.com/products/nanoCAD/>

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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Training Column

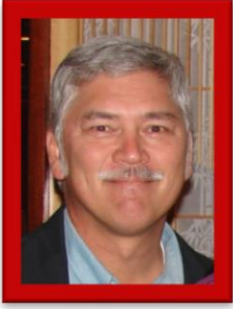
Last month Heads Up RC closed their doors. I realized that now I do not know where to go buy several items. Therefore, I thought it may be helpful to generate a list or create a table that illustrates good places to buy common items used in our hobby. The table could then be placed on the website. To make this table, I WILL NEED YOUR INPUT. Please contact me if you have any suggestions for the table below!

NO	ITEM	HOBBY SHOP
1	Glacier LIPO Batteries	BuddyRC
2	Other Batteries	????
3	Chargers and power supplies	ProgressiveRC, Other?
4	Propellers	????
5	Foam Tac Glue	????
6	Carbon Fiber	????
7	Other Building materials	????
8	Other Glues	????
9	Model Plane Foam	http://www.modelplanefoam.com/
10	Other Foams?	????
11	Electric Motors	????
12	ESCs	????
13	Airplanes, ARF and RTF	????
14	Other?	????
15	Other?	????

See you at the field.

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Safety Officer: Cliff Casey



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