

BRISTOL COUNTY RADIO CONTROL CLUB, INC. # 1349

Minutes of Monthly Membership Meeting

July 2, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Bristol County Radio Control Club, Inc. was held in the Northeast Terminal Building at the New Bedford Regional Airport on Tuesday, July 2, 2019

Officers Present:

President	Gary Carreiro	present
Vice President	Carlos Costa	present
Recording Secretary / Safety Officer	Gerry Dupont	present
Clerk/Treasurer	Nancy Dupont	present
Contest Director	Ned Watts	absent

There were 11 members present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM.

Secretary's Report

Minutes from the June meeting were read and unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report from June was read and unanimously accepted.

GENERAL FUND

May starting balance	\$3,595.01
Expenses	- \$17.96 (fuel)
Deposits	\$ 32.00 (ticket raffle)
	\$100.00 (dues)
	\$ 80.00 (Landing fees – Warbirds/Andrade event)
	\$ 30.00 (Donations)
	<u>\$242.00 total deposits</u>
May ending balance	<u>\$ 3,794.05</u>

Field Rolling Fund

\$865.00 collected (not included in checkbook balance)

Topics Discussed

Membership- There are now 30 paying members in the club. Reminder- In order to remain a member of the club, one must have an up-to-date AMA membership. We have one such member whose AMA had expired in February. Nancy has sent a third email to this individual.

Discussion Regarding “Gassers” - Decibel reading **must be within the 95 dB within 5’ radius** as written in the by-laws under “Field Rules – Ferry Farm” , page 9, second paragraph under “Ground Regulations”. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** A complaint was received by land owner Carolyn Ferry and forwarded to Pres Gary during the event on June 22. Gary has met with Carolyn and assured her that no plane flew outside of the fly zone.

PLEASE NOTE: The Southern end of the field/ NO-Fly Zone area rules and regulations must be strictly enforced and adhered to, especially during events and especially when the wind is out of the North.

Field Rolling Update - Ted Brito has been unsuccessful in securing a roller at a price that is agreeable to him. He may be purchasing two inoperable rollers and cobble them into one which is usable. His idea is to store it at our field and allow us to use it for a yet undetermined fee. More to follow as information is received.

R & S Rentals have not gotten back to Gerry. They don’t seem too anxious for our business.

Addison has secured a concrete roller and golf cart for towing it from the Tiverton Club. More to follow on reciprocation ideas. Gerry will check out the roller and hopefully be able to roll the field in the next few days.

To date, our Field Rolling Fund has received \$865.00 and one pledge of \$100.00 has turned into \$200 received! Thanks to Jon Bier for his generosity. Donations are still being accepted. Please send any further contributions/donations to Nancy.

Andrade Memorial/Warbirds Event - The Club received \$80.00 in landing fees and \$30.00 in donations. We had a few spectators and one prospective member that attended.

Website Management/Updates – The website must be brought up to date in a timely manner. Discussion ensued as to how to make the website more user-friendly. Bob Pacheco and John Sawyer have both volunteered to assist Jerry Normandin. Jerry’s mother is not doing well so Bob P said he would reach out to Jerry directly to address and correct short-comings with the current format. Gary has requested that a “calendar of events” be placed on the home page as well as an up-to-date membership application.

Calendar of Events – Just as a reminder; the John Nicolaci Memorial Float Fly is set for August 17, rain date the 18th. The topics; procuring a Port-O-John and Food Truck. It was suggested that we have pizzas and soda delivered. Nancy still has two 12-packs of bottled water left over from the Warbirds event.

The grass will need to be cut and bagged before this event...volunteers welcome! Date to be set for mowing forth-coming.

We are once again asking the members for donations so we can have one Port-O-John available. The going rate is \$150 to \$175 per unit. Please send donations to Nancy (132R Horseneck Rd. Dartmouth 02748) or bring to next meeting. Thanks in advance!

Media Coverage - Pres Gary has spoken with Cyndi Marland of DCTV for a spot on local TV. Gerry also has spoken with her and invited her down to the field so she can see first-hand on what the Club is all about. Hopefully she will be able to attend the float fly on August 17th.

IDs for Members' Vehicles – Another reminder...These ID placards are to be displayed from members' vehicles' rear view mirrors or sun visor to make the vehicles easily identifiable. **PLEASE be sure to display these at the lane entrance and during the entire time while parked on the property.** Also **Please observe the 5 MPH speed limit.**

FAA Guidelines - Still un-enforceable for the time being so according to Andy Argenio “just keep doing what you’re doing.”

***For your own safety, keep your eye on the sky. If you can hear thunder, you can be struck by lightning!! Pack up and sit in your vehicle. DO NOT take shelter under the canopy because it has a metal frame! ***

Bob Violette won the scratch ticket raffle.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gerry Dupont
Recording Secretary

GWD/nwd