

2009 Club Officers

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The Presidents Corner

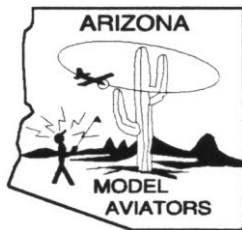


January 1st brought the New Year in with great weather, good friends, lots of pilots and lots of airplanes.

Every year it gets better and better. This year I counted about 160 people participating with more in the stands watching.

At noon time the ladies had all the dishes put out with the Baileys supplying the chicken and beverages. The club has really come together over the year and it was nice to see all the ladies participating. The pilots had a great day for flying and the conversation and friendship was fantastic.

I am looking forward to the banquet on the 17th of this month and hope to see you all there.



Next Meetings
Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2009
March 3, 2009
8700 University Ave. Mesa AZ.
Hawes Rd. Entrance
Meeting Room by the
ballfields
To view a map see our website
www.azmodelaviators.com

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Meeting Minutes January 6, 2009

Officers Present:

President:	John Mangino
Vice President	Paul McDevitt
Secretary:	Paul Goldsmith

- + The meeting was called to order by John at 7:10 PM.
- + Guest Dennis Douglas introduced himself to those present. Dennis is from Washington State.
- + The minutes were read from the newsletter, accepted, seconded and passed by the members present.
- + **Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer could not make the meeting so John brought us up to speed on the club's finances. His report was accepted and passed.

Due to work related conditions, Mike Currier had to resign as Treasurer and was replaced by Gary Bailey. Dave Dunn was the next highest number of votes for the board, so he has replaced Gary Bailey as the final board member.

+ Membership Report: The membership stands at 214 renewed members. Last year we had 201 at the same time. There are about 100 members delinquent with their dues so far this year. We usually lose about 50 old members at the beginning of the year and gain about the same number of new members throughout the year. The roster will be purged after the February meeting of all delinquent members. The locks will be changed to the 2009 lock January 15th. Please keep in mind that you should not fly at the field without a 2009 sticker. The newsletter will stop after the February meeting for those not paid up.

+ Camac Report:

1. The banquet is scheduled for January 17, 2009.

2. The Arizona Electric Festival will start January 22nd and run until January 25th. Signup sheets are available for volunteers for parking, security and registration. This is one of the biggest events the club holds and help is needed to man all the stations to make it a success.

3. There is a 25 size race February 8th.

4. Speed World is having a Jet Rally February 6th, 7th and 8th.

5. There will be an IMAC event at East Valley Aviators January 17th and 18th.

+ Banquet:

Terri got up and spoke briefly about the upcoming banquet on January 17th. We will be using the same caterer. There will be a \$10 gift exchange. Tickets for the banquet will be \$15 per person. There are about 40 spots available, so make sure you are not left out. Everyone gets 2 drink tickets. You cannot bring in your own liquor, but the drinks are very reasonable. Cocktails will be at 6:00 PM with dinner starting at 6:00 PM. Call Terri with your questions or see her at the field.

+ The New years Day picnic was a resounding success. The weather was perfect and the flying was terrific. Anyone who wanted to fly could and did fly. We would like to thank all the people who brought dishes and helped to make the lunch a culinary delight. Thanks also to those who helped set up and take down all the

items we needed for the food and the picnic items.

+ Safety : I can't emphasize the positive effects of using a spotter. You can't have eyes in the back of your head and with more electric airplanes flying around like Stealth Bombers you can't even hear the planes any more. Please use a spotter. It's for your own safety. Pilots have been calling out "Taking off" and not checking to see if there is someone landing or on the runway. You can't always hear when someone calls out for a landing, so try to be more aware of your surroundings. Austin mentioned about someone using a cell phone while flying at the field.

+New Business:

Austin got up and talked about the weatherstation that Sun Valley Flyers have at their field. The station and associated equipment was donated to that club. To set it up would cost us about \$1000. It is solar powered . Stu Richmond mentioned that Orlando has a weatherstaion and an emergency phone at their field.

+Old Business:

Appointments were made to the following positions: Safety and Field maintenance will be taken care of by Paul Goldsmith. Membership will stay with Don manchester. Paul McDevitt will handle the By-Laws committee and Camac schedule.

A plea was made for smokers to police their own cigarette butts. We do not have a cleaning service at the field. We are going to look into changing the system for noise supression complaints. Possibly less paperwork. Dave Howells and Bill adams have done a great job keeping track of the noise levels of different engines and muffler systems when a complaint is filed. We had a new homeowner come to the field inquiring as to how long we were located at the field. He heard engine noise from his

home by Signal Butte Rd. The sound carries further in the cold and windy weather. IMAC airplanes are usually quiet as a rule, but some flyers have been causing their props to rip due to lack of throttle management. They should take an example from Bill Adams and Dave Howells and others who manage their prop noise levels very well. Gary porter mentioned that we should try to be proactive rather than wait for a complaint. The DB levels for nitro planes is 103DB. Gas has to stay at levels of 100 DB or lower.

+ **The Raffle:** The Raffle items were obtained from Viper Hobbies at cost. The raffle needs your help to stay self sustaining. There were 13 prizes given out at the meeting this month.

+ **Impound info:** We will be getting another 5 pins for the 2.4 ghz. radios. Please get in the habit of returning the pin when you are done flying.

+ The AMA show is this weekend at Onterio CA.

+ The meeting closed at 8:12 PM. The next meeting will be in the same place, but the meeting in March will be in the craft room.

The Banquet:

The Annual club banquet was a successful event, 102 out of 105 members showed up for the festivities.

Cocktail hour was from 5:00 PM until 6:00 PM when Paul McDevitt stepped in for the ailing Jim Luby. Jim would have been proud of Paul with his jokes and stories.

Dinner was next and everyone said it was great. There were lots of compliments.

Then came the awards and goodbyes to the outgoing officers and board members. John Mangino gave Paul Goldsmith and Larry Wende an award for their outstanding time and effort given to the club throughout the year.

We then moved into the gift exchange. Gift cards, candy, liquor and the famous furry handcuffs were among some of the gifts taken

home. The handcuffs were taken by Joe Miele and promptly stolen by Dave Croteau.(all men hmmm?) The alcohol was gone along with the "Duck Hat", which will probably show up next year. We finished at about 9:15 with everyone helping with the cleanup. Thanks again to Dick & Mitzi Brush, Tom McAlpin, Gary Bailey and all the ladies who helped to make this event a success. This event along with the New years Day event have become such a huge success because of everyone's help. Thanks for Helping.

January Board Meeting:

The board meeting was called to order by the President, John Mangino at 7:00 PM.

Those present were:

John Mangino, Paul Goldsmith, Gary Porter, Dave Balch, Dave Dunn and Roxanne Cotrell & Don Manchester.

John discussed the banquet and the costs involved.

He then brought up the sound complaint procedures for discussion. Doing away with written complaints was dicussed at lenght. We also talked about the different sound levels. John said he would be in touch with Bill Adams and Dave Howells for further discussion.

Dave Balch brought up the fsct that we should be documenting any charity donations that we are making and that we should be publicising them.

The speed limit signs were discussed along with dust control problems from cars coming in too fast.

The no parking signs along the road are so faded that they are not readable.

Membership now stands at 242 members. There are 81 people who are delinquent with their dues for 2009. We have 8 active life members. Life membership renewals were discussed. The locks have been changed to the 2009 locks. We have 21 new members since Oct.1, 2008. Don mentioned that he sends all the new members a welcoming letter.

The electric rally which is this weekend was discussed.

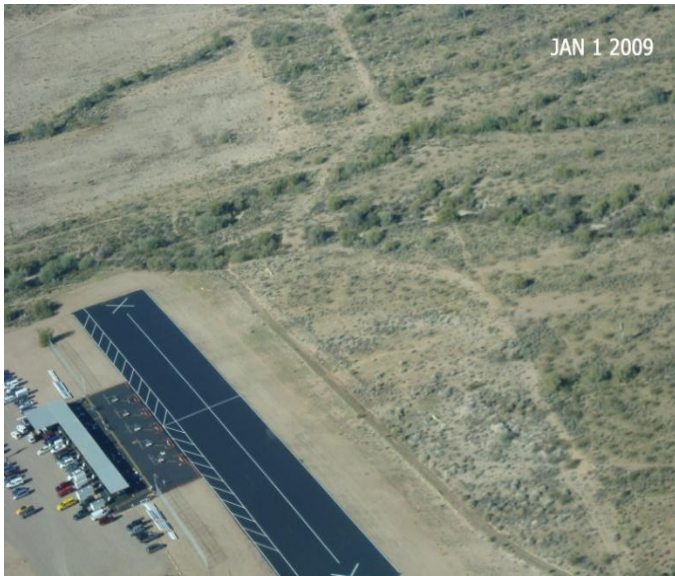
Our financial reporting to the different municipalities was discussed at length.

The subject of intro pilots was mentioned briefly and has to be looked into.

Any member wanting club financial info. should talk to a board member. A motion by Don Manchester to have the May club meeting at the field with a lunch to follow was seconded and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Here are some pictures taken from the air by Jim and Morlo Bender while they were flying over the New Years Day picnic. They later showed up to help us enjoy the event.





Here is a collage of pictures from the Electric festival taken by Charlie Beverson of the Sun Valley Fliers. Bob Ruff sent this summary to me so here it is. Thank you Bob!!

Arizona Electric Festival 2009

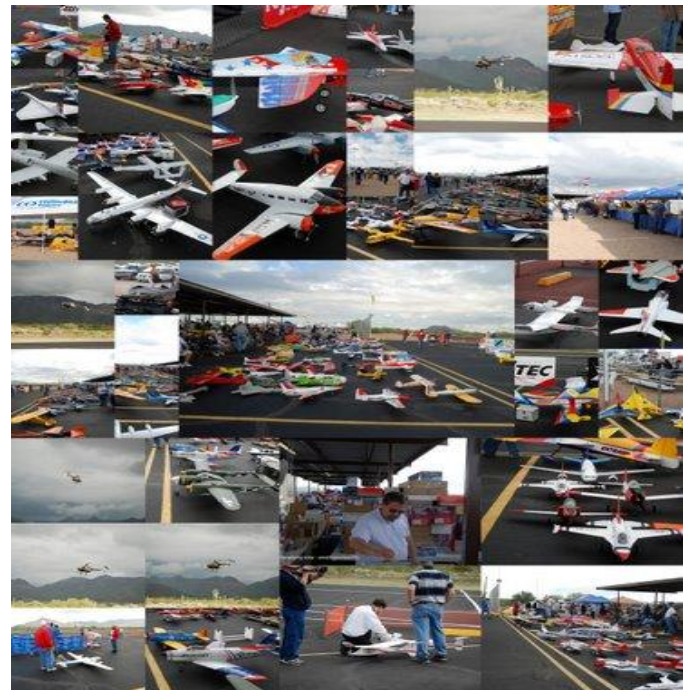
The 5th Arizona Electric Festival is now history. The event had 206 registered pilots and many spectators came to visit thru out the 4 day event. At one point the parking lot was completely filled. We had 55+ vendor spaces filled with many different hobby products.

Flying started at the crack of dawn all four days and continued until 5:00 PM the first three days. Sunday we stop flying at 2:00 PM. We did have night flying on Friday night that went until 9:00 PM. Friday and Saturday had a noon time show that ran from 12:00 pm to 1:00 PM. This show included 3D flying (freestyle), war birds, 3 D helicopter flying and other demonstrations. We also had in the morning and in the afternoon of "helicopter time", this when the helicopter had exclusive use of the runway.

I want to thanks the following team leads, their help and the various club members made the AEF 2009 a success. Aaron Lichtenwalner Co-CD, Austin Goodwin Registration, John Mangino Flight line, Louie Kear Gate security, Gary Porter Impound, Matt Sylvester Vender/Raffle, Paul McDevitt PA, Paul Goldsmith Public Raffle, Joe Bailey Generator.

Go to <http://www.rcgroups.com/arizona-electric-festival-2009-590/> for a complete rundown of the event with pictures and video.

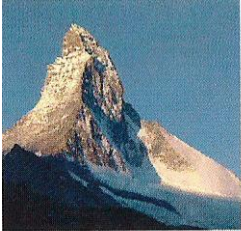
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