

THE CVRCA FLYER

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Mowing Schedule for April:

**April 8 – J. Booth/W. Breeden
April 15 – J. Caldwell/R. Castner
April 22 – J. Clark/J. Pruitt
April 29 – Cowden family/ D. Wingfield**

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April 22nd: Spring Cleanup
June 3rd: Spring Air Show**

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Member: Todd Beard
Member: Jimmy Booth
Member: Dave Wingfield
Member: Gary Cowden

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Meeting Info...

April Meeting Date: 4/12/2006
Meeting Time: 7:00 PM
Meeting Place: Parks & Recreation, 301 Grove
May Meeting: 5/10/2006

CVRCA Fight Instruction Team

Team Leader: Jimmy Booth
Team Airplane: Todd Beard, Mike Dinu
Team Helicopter: Sam Richardson

March Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 3/08/2006
Called By: Sam Richardson
Minutes Approved By: Vote
Total Present: 10
Guests: 0
Solo Patch: None
All Weather Patch: None
50/50 Received: \$8.00
50/50 Paid: \$4.00
50/50 Winner: Sam Richardson

SAD Patch: NONE

Important dates:

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Grass Mowing Schedule:

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J. CLARK / J. PRUITT / K.
22 WISSKIRCHEN
29 COWDEN FAMILY / D. WINGFIELD

For Sale:

For sale, standard servos, mostly Futaba 3003 and 148, in good used condition. \$5.00 each, I have a bunch.

Contact Gary Cowden

For Sale: Several completed planes including 1/4 scale Cub, a Stinger, and more. Many with radios. Also field gear and building equipment.

Contact Mark Welcher, 332-3469

If you have any information for the newsletter, or any items for sale, email it to:

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Meeting:

Called by: Sam Richardson, President

Minutes:

Some of our members are working behind the scenes to improve the visibility of our club. AMA was contacted to determine if they could list the club contact using a Lynchburg address instead of Evington (the club secretary's residence). Also, there are many updates and improvements to our existing website including links to and from Tower Hobbies, metalinks with internet search engines, updated event announcements, updated roster, etc.

Motions from March Meeting: none

Sam welcomed club members and asked if everyone got their newsletter. Several people commented that the newsletter contained some errors on the first page, including month, names of some board members and dates. Sam asked if we accept the minutes as posted in the newsletter. Randy made the motion, Gene seconded the motion and the motion passed with majority vote.

Randy passed around a sympathy card for Mrs. Roger Lane. Roger passed away late last year.

Sam opened up the floor for discussion of old business. Todd began the discussion by saying he got in touch with Chris at SLAM (Signs, Logos and More). Chris quoted a 4 ft by 8 ft alumicore 2-sided sign with unlimited lettering & up to 2 silhouettes for \$320 (1-sided \$240). Todd negotiated a good price with Chris based on the nature of our club (non profit, asset to the community). Alumicore is 2 layer of aluminum with a plastic core sandwiched in the middle. Gene asked about the proposed location of the sign. Jeff has contacted Truck Body management and determined they are OK with the proposed sign placement. Gary suggested we call Miss Utility prior to digging, Jeff said he would take care of that. Randy asked if we had decided on a sign design. Todd passed around the proposed design. General discussion followed. It was decided to add the word "Model" in front of "Flying Field". Within minutes everyone present was content with the design. Todd talked a little about SLAM and their many happy customers. He talked about the alumicore material some more. Jeff asked about mounting the sign. There was a lengthy discussion about a combination of 4x4's and 2x2's, followed by a discussion about using steel pipe. General consensus was a preference towards the pipe method. Jeff will work out the details of how the sign will be mounted.

There was discussion as to whether we needed to re-motion the sign since the cost was a little higher than the previous passed motion. It was decided a new motion was not needed. Randy wrote a check for \$320 to SLAM and turned it over to Todd. Good work on everyone involved to make this possible. This will be a huge asset and good

Sam spoke about the mower that is usually in the shed. He brought it home for some maintenance. Sam is sharpening the blades, changing the oil, etc. He didn't want anyone to think it was stolen.

Jeff said he has not been able to find a good, used inexpensive mower. They sell quickly. Sam stated he has a Homelite weed eater he would like to donate to the club. Jeff announced that mowing starts the first part of April. The group due to mow in April will be called. If someone is scheduled to mow & mowing is not needed, he just gets lucky. The rest of the schedule does not change. The plan is for everyone to cut twice. Jeff said that the newsletter should have on the front in big, bold letters who is responsible for mowing that month. Jeff will let Ray know who is up to bat.

Sam stated this closed out old business and he began discussion of new business.

Sam asked Jeff if we are painting the shed during the spring cleanup. Jeff thought this was probably not a bad idea and he will plan for this. It was suggested that 5 gallons of latex paint should suffice. Gene stated he thought he could supply that.

During the January meeting, Mike Dinu, volunteered to be the 2006 event coordinator. He has now retracted that responsibility because of work and other issues. As such, Sam asked if anyone would like to take over those responsibilities. A first no one stepped up. This led into a long discussion about what makes a good air show, concessions, events, planning, etc. Sam reminded everyone he is handling concessions. Jeff asked if we would rather have that handled professionally. Sam responded probably not since it is typically a good money maker for the club. There was discussion about splitting up the roster and having members call other members to increase the participation. PA announcing was discussed. Gene talked about why less experienced people fly (many times they feel intimidated). Gene talked about advertising, an additional sign below our main sign advertising the air show. It was easy to pick up on the building excitement in Gene's voice. It was discussed that Randy should invite neighboring clubs. After a long discussion about all this and more, Sam was ready to move on. Randy interrupted and said he didn't feel like the issue was closed out since many good ideas were discussed but for the most part no one took ownership. Following a little more discussion, Gene stated that he, Gary and Sean are going to team up and be the event coordinators for the upcoming air show. Gene said his wife Elizabeth will help with concessions. Gary said he would coordinate the calling of members to inspire them to participate.

The conversation turned back to the shed. Sam asked if we were planning to refurb or replace the doors. Jeff said new doors are not as important as a new shelf. What is in there now is lame. There was a discussion about emptying out the shed, inventorying, making a dump trip

investment for our club.

Sean said a snake also now lives in the shed along with the mice. There was a discussion about how to get rid of the critters.

Todd talked briefly about Gold Leader Club Status. Details can be found at www.modelaircraft.org, for those interested. Melvin asked why our club is listed as Evington with AMA. Randy explained that AMA uses the city of residence of the club contact person. Gene suggested we pursue changing the contact name to himself so that the club would have Lynchburg listed.

Sam reminded everyone again that Spring Cleanup is April 22nd. Everyone should attend and please bring chainsaws, weed eaters, wheel barrows, etc. Gene will try to get 5 gallons of paint that is a decent neutral color. John suggested we should spray the shed as opposed to rolling. Jeff will consider this.

Sam wants Randy to check to see when mowing and CVRCA membership charge merged into 1 fee. It should be noted that each & every year we vote on club membership dues. Therefore, in reality, when membership dues and grass mowing dues merged is not relevant to any current discussion of membership dues.

Gary announced that Northern Tool wants to know if we want to be part of the Tool Days (Demo Days) Event. Sam responded to go ahead and pencil us in.

and placing what's left inside in a neat fashion.

"The Northern Tool Demo Day is April 15" from sometime in the morning to sometime in the afternoon. Jimmy reminded everyone there will be another meeting before then. But Gary said they (Northern Tool) need to know soon. Sam told Gary to tell them yes. There will be a need for some members to support this by bringing their heli's and/or airplanes. There may even be a small area to fly the smaller heli's. Contact Gary if you are interested in supporting this worthwhile event.

Gene asked where the closest hobby store is. We told him Crossroad Hobbies in Salem.

Todd talked about Pete Castine. Pete is an experienced giant scale guy. Evidently someone told Pete (who is moving to Lynchburg) that our field is too small for giant scale. Todd set him straight. While it is true the landing area of our field is somewhat small, to an experienced, skilled giant scale pilot it is no problem. Tyke Hale has flown 40% plus at our field with no problem.

50/50 raffle took in \$8, the pay out was \$4. Winner: Sam Richardson

SAD Patch nominations: None.

Gene made a motion to adjourn; Gary seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned with unanimous votes.

Spring Air Show News

Date: June 3, 2006

As the air show draws closer, we thought we would share a few quick thoughts with you regarding our coordination efforts. After talking with club members and folks in other clubs, we are planning on addressing four priorities with our air show. Those priorities are:

- Put on an event that is educational and entertaining for spectators. In that past, people have enjoyed the basic content. We want to expand upon that.
- Make the event enjoyable and inclusive for our members. Getting out in the sun and flying together is always fun for us but it has frequently been remarked that only a small handful of our members actually participate in the air show. We want to make the air show something that we will all want to participate in.
- Attract new members. The air show is a dandy opportunity to attract new people to the hobby, educate people about our club, and reenergize those who have previously participated in the sport but have become inactive.
- Raise funds for the club

We are working on several ideas.

Promotion – We plan on promoting the air show in several ways including through the local newspaper, the Northern show, notification of clubs in the area, a notice on the club sign, use of the e-mail address list that was compiled from the Fall show, the AMA, the web site, and other methods.

Inviting other participants – We have already extended an invitation to two potential participants who are outside the club, one has accepted thus far. We are also extending invitations to other local clubs. In doing this, we hope to expand the offering of personalities and aspects of the hobby that we show to the public.

Preparation of a flying schedule – In that past, we have occasionally experienced some dead air and members have noted that they did not know who would be flying next. For the Spring show, we plan on using a PA to announce the show and organize the flying through a schedule.

Flying events and competitions – We hope to include several events that all can participate in without regard to the equipment that they own or their flying skill. We are considering a bomb/egg drop using bombs that “wander”, spot landing competition, chase the tail, limbo, heli events where items are picked up and carried, and more. We hope to make these events both enjoyable to watch, and something that many club members will participate in.

Demonstrations and education – We plan on including a fixed wing training demonstration to show spectators how they can safely get learn to fly. We plan on having an education/membership tent this year where people can touch some of the equipment, ask questions about RC, and learn about the club.

Variety - We want to present as broad, entertaining view of the sport. Looking within the confines of our own club, we have people who fly sport and scale helis, large scale, control line, sport fixed wing, pattern, foam electric saber jets, sail planes, and trainers. We have members who can fly 3D while barely leaving the confines of the runway, and we have flyers who require several acres to fly. We have relatively new flyers who can fill the sky with planes chasing a streamer, we have flyers with cameras mounted to their models and flyers with noisy ducted fans. We have many interesting things to show the spectators and each other.

So what can you do? First, your comments and suggestions are very valuable and we want to hear them. Send your ideas and questions to Gene, Sean and Gary. Second, there will be several tasks to be performed in getting ready for the air show and on air show day, we will be looking for volunteers soon. Finally, and most importantly, plan on attending and flying! No matter what you fly or your skill level, there will be fun flying for all.

2006 CVRCA GRASS CUTTING SCHEDULE

* Dates represent the Saturday that the grass need to be cut by.

APRIL

8 J. BOOTH / W. BREEDEN
15 J. CALDWELL / R. CASTNER
22 J. CLARK / J. PRUITT
29 COWDEN FAMILY / D. WINGFIELD

MAY

6 D. CRANCE / N. DIAMOND
13 M. DINU / P. EDMUNDS
20 T. FRANKLIN
27 GRYDER FAMILY / D. HANSON

JUNE

3 J. HODGES / R. HUSTED
10 KROTKE FAMILY / M. LINDSAY
17 G. PATZSCH / J. RAKES
24 R. RAKES / S. RICHARDSON

JULY

1 J. SANDERS
8 G. SMITH / R. SMITH / S. SMITH
15 E. SOMMERS / P. TABOR
22 R. THIBODEAU / J. TRENT
29 R. WALTER / E. WELFARE

AUGUST

5 L. ABRAMS / BEARD FAMILY
12 J. BOOTH / W. BREEDEN
19 J. CALDWELL / R. CASTNER
26 J. CLARK / J. PRUITT

SEPTEMBER

2 COWDEN FAMILY / D. WINGFIELD
9 D. CRANCE / N. DIAMOND
16 M. DINU / P. EDMUNDS
23 T. FRANKLIN
30 GRYDER FAMILY / D. HANSON

OCTOBER

7 J. HODGES / R. HUSTED
14 KROTKE FAMILY / M. LINDSAY
21 G. PATZSCH / J. RAKES
28 R. RAKES / S. RICHARDSON

NOVEMBER

4 J. SANDERS
11 G. SMITH / R. SMITH / S. SMITH
18 E. SOMMERS / P. TABOR
25 R. THIBODEAU / J. TRENT

Schedule modified to remove names of non members!

Last	First	Street	City	St	Zip	E-Mail	Home	Work
Abrams	Larry	716 Middle St	Lynchburg	VA	24502		434-237-2799	434-522-6206
Beard	Todd	205 Omni Place	Forest	VA	24551		434-525-1976	434-299-5911
Beard	Sylvia	205 Omni Place	Forest	VA	24551		434-525-1976	
Booth	James	970 Carwile Road	Rustburg	VA	24588		434-332-7305	434-332-7354
Breeden	Wesley A.	138 Madison Cir.	Madison Hts.	VA	24572		434-846-2349	434-929-6417
Caldwell	James E.	1107 Smoketree Drive	Forest	VA	24551	jimcald@smoktree.us	434-525-8299	434-258-4268
Castner	Rich	20 Twin Oaks Terr	Rustburg	VA	24588	rads@nesbeonline.com	434-821-0509	434-546-1282
Clark	John	103 Moss Creek Drive #102	Forest	VA	24551		434-851-HELI	434-832-5630
Clark	Patrick	103 Moss Creek Drive #102	Forest	VA	24551		434-851-HELI	
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Cowden	Sean	1052 Holiday Lane	Lynchburg	VA	24504		434-993-2862	
Cowden	Evan	1052 Holiday Lane	Lynchburg	VA	24504		434-993-2862	
Crance	Danny	6115 Igloe Drive #4	Lynchburg	VA	24502	new7274chief@msn.com	434-610-9722	
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Dinu	Mihail	1226 Grove Road	Lynchburg	VA	24502	radarriley@adelphia.net	434-237-8937	434-237-8937
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Ferrell	Anthony	134 Erin Drive	Madison Hts.	VA	24572		434-929-8205	434-582-1340
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Gryder	Allison	106 Carters Grove Lane	Lynchburg	VA	24503		434-384-1280	
Gryder	Mark	106 Carters Grove Lane	Lynchburg	VA	24503	guitarzan@ntelos.net	434-384-1280	434-522-6492
Gryder	Robert	106 Carters Grove Lane	Lynchburg	VA	24503		434-384-1280	
Hansen	Dale	295 BriarCliff Circle	Lynchburg	VA	24502		434-239-8682	434-385-4212
Hodges	Jeff	262 Lyttleton Ln.	Madison Hts.	VA	24572		434-847-5655	
Husted	Royce	1295 Old Elkton Dr	Forest	VA	24551	royceh@ntelos.net	434-525-0864	434-525-1544
Kislo	Joseph G.	100 Clubhouse Dr Apt 104	Lynchburg	VA	24502	JKislo@aol.com	434-237-3510	434-856-8209
Krotke	Jenna M.	280 Ellen Drive	Evington	VA	24550		434-525-2576	434-525-2576
Krotke	Randall G.	280 Ellen Drive	Evington	VA	24550	randy.krotke@verizon.net	434-525-2576	434-832-3903
Lindsay	Melvin	234 Vernom Street	Lynchburg	VA	24501		434-846-5303	
Patzsch	Gene	107 Villas Way Drive	Lynchburg	VA	24502	gpatzsch@adelphia.net	434-239-3311	434-258-6722
Pruitt	James	532 Savannah Ave	Lynchburg	VA	24502			
Rakes	John	142 Homewood Drive	Lynchburg	VA	24502	mckylrk@yahoo.com	434-237-5086	434-385-8535
Rakes	Richard Jr.	1235 Holiday Lane	Lynchburg	VA	24504		434-993-3121	434-845-6677
Richardson	Samuel	321 Eastview Dr	Madison Hts.	VA	24572	helibudi@lynchburg.net	434-929-2746	434-841-5182
Sanders	Joseph	1900-D Weeping Willow Dr.	Lynchburg	VA	24501		703-975-2898	
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Smith	Ray	300 Dianne Drive	Lynchburg	VA	24504		434-993-2351	434-386-5219
Smith	Steven	5801 Fort Ave	Lynchburg	VA	24502			
Sommers	Eugene	1126 Wisecarver Rd	Rustburg	VA	24588	jrf10sommers@juno.com	434-332-1107	
Tabor	Paul	385 Royal Court	Forest	VA	24551		434-525-1862	
Thibodeau	Robert	724 Gladys Rd.	Gladys	VA	24554		434-826-9593	
Trent	John	1020 Waterlick Road	Lynchburg	VA	24501	vjt1996@aol.com	434-239-7849	434-239-9213
Walter	Richard D.	1628 Dogwood Lane	Lynchburg	VA	24503	D7fdl8@aol.com	434-386-5552	
Welfare	Eric	403 Warren Ave.	Lynchburg	VA	24501	ejwelfare@verizon.net	434-847-4728	434-851-3167cell
Wingfield	Dave	501 V.E.S. Rd, Apt B717	Lynchburg	VA	24503		434-386-3622	