

# The CVRCA Flyer

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## Club Officers:

President:	Jim Fowler	Board Members:
Vice President:	Gary Cowden	Jimmy Booth
Secretary/Treas.:	Randy Krotke	Gene Patzsch
Field Marshall:	Mark Gryder	Sam Richardson

## CVRCA Flight Instruction Team:

Team Leader:	Jimmy Booth
Team Airplane:	Todd Beard, Gary Cowden
Team Helicopter:	Sam Richardson, John Clark

## Meeting Minutes:

Meeting Date: 6/11/08 at 7 p.m.  
Called to order by: Jim Fowler, President  
Members present: 12  
Visitors: Robert Wallin and Glenn Kurka.

Next Meeting: July 9 @ 7 p.m. at the Field

Action items from June meeting:

1. Make and install new Info Board background.
2. Mark will get more info on runway repairs.
3. Don H. will speak with Mr. Powell about their feelings about improvements to the runway.
4. Ask Randy to check with Parks/Rec Building for another night for our meetings.

Previous action items:

1. Don and Gary worked out a better backing for the Info board that will hold up to the heat/cold.
2. We held discussion on ordering new t-shirts for the club.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Info Board:**

Don Horn showed samples of a substitute material for the board. He used Celotex (a fiberboard used in construction) which he covered with a cotton cloth applied with exterior housepaint. It should hold up to the weather and holds thumbtacks and staples well. It was moved and passed that we use this system. Don will make a full-sized board, and he and Mark will install it.

#### **Bushhogging:**

The briars are growing well. Nathan Rathe offered to bring his large tractor and do the next bushhogging. The only expense to the club would be the rental on the bushhog equipment and fuel. His offer was accepted and the Field Marshal will schedule this with him.

### **New Business:**

#### **T-Shirts:**

It is agreed that many would like new t-shirts. Mark will look into using the old design at Universal Tees. Using the old design would save us the set-up fee, so the cost would be minimized. Gene and Robert Rallin agreed to checking into using Polo-type shirts with embroidery of the club name and possibly individual names. Discussion for the next meeting will concern which type of shirt to order, using the shirts as a fund-raiser or just for our own use, ordering extra shirts to have on hand to sell at the Air Shows. It was agreed that making shirts available to the public is a good way of letting folks know about the sport and about our specific club.

**Runway:**

Mark Gryder has been researching ways to resurface or add to our current runway. He has been looking at a product called Geo-textile which is similar to a very thick landscaping fabric. It is much cheaper than asphalt and could be added to the end of the runway to give us more length. A club in Camden, S.C. has used it successfully. It can be easily patched. Questions brought up during the discussion included:

1. Can we do it legally over the landfill area?
2. How much will it cost for however much longer we'll be able to use this field?
3. Mark estimated that concrete would cost around \$4,000, and that the Geo-textile would run around \$1, 000.
4. Would we be able to get a Special Use Permit since the property is a Conservation area and currently owned by two companies: Powell Truck Body Corp. and the railroad co.

It was decided that Don H. would speak with Mr. Powell about the procedures and Mark will get more specific information.

**Meeting Nights:**

A question was asked about moving meeting nights to another week night. They are currently held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month because that was the night that we could schedule the Parks Building for meetings. The problem is that many are unable to attend because of commitments at their churches. Randy will be asked to check into arranging another night for the meetings to be held at the Parks & Recreation Building. If anyone has a suggestion as to another place for winter meetings, please contact Jim Fowler or another board member.

**SAD Patch:**

Nominees were Gene Patzsch and Eric Welfare. Gene's spectacular crash won.

**New Members:**

Two new members were voted into the club:

Robert (Bob) Wallin and Glenn Kurka.

There is another person who wants to join. Ken Glover could not attend this evening but is in the process of filling out all the paperwork.

**Our own hero:**

Gary announced that our President has many skills. One is life-saving which he had to practice when a fellow diner at a local McDonald's had a heart attack and needed CPR. Jim Fowler jumped right in and performed CPR until the paramedics could take over. We are happy to report that the gentleman survived and at last report was doing well.

The meeting was adjourned.

*(By the way, this was the first club meeting for as far back as anyone could remember that no mention was made of mowing!!! Those Cowden boys are really working!)*

**For Sale:**

- Glow Fuel by the gallon. Contact Gary Cowden. 993-2862

**Club Happenings:**

July meeting at the Field on July 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

**This'n'That:**

Mowing: Mowing is no longer mandatory. You may mow *IF* you contact Gary Cowden by Wednesday of your preferred week. If the field marshal determines that mowing is needed, the first one asking to mow on a particular week will be allowed. The club pays \$50 for a complete mowing, with checks sent out once a month. If no one volunteers for a particular week by that Wednesday, and if the field needs mowing, the Cowden sons will mow the field. To schedule yourself for the week you prefer: Contact Gary: 434-993-2862.

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