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Officers

President Jeff Black

Vice-President Mike Brouse

SecretaryDave O'Leary

Treasurer Mike Brown

Field Marshall Tom Krichten

Webmaster/Newsletter Editor Tim Toot



A Message from the President

Flying field updates:

The field is rolled and ready for the upcoming flying season. Please Make sure to thank Mike Brouse and Jim Groft for all the hard work they do in keeping our fly field looking top notch. Just a reminder to club members or guest who use glow fuel, gasoline, kerosine or diesel fuel to keep fuel spills to a minimum. We have noticed quite a few dead spots in the pit area and on the runway from fuel spills.

Field workday: TBD

Membership meeting: Will be held during the club picnic September 8, 2024

FAA update:

The AMA has put out information on the remote I.D. rule. Go to the AMA website site or look in the monthly magazine at the government affairs section for the most current information.

Final thoughts:

As the flying season weather gets better and we start going to the field more let's remember to let



other members know when you're out, maybe they will come out and fly. It is always more fun with a group of pilots there. Enjoy the season and see you at the field.

Safe flying,

Jeff Black







Pancabes, Eggs, Sausage, Home Fries, Coffee, Teo, and Juice!

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A portion of the proceeds benefit Aviation Programs for Youth



Executive Meeting 5/6/2024

The Blue and Gray Executive meeting was held at Jeff Black's home on 5/6/2024. Members present: Jeff Black, Mike Brouse, Mike Brown, Jim Groft, Tim Toot, Dave O'Leay, and Tom Krichten.

<u>President's Report:</u> A new windsock has been installed at the field & a new American flag will go up for Memorial Day 2024. Field is in excellent shape. A new section of orange plastic fencing will soon be installed adjacent to the runway near the field entrance. This fence is intended to prevent visitors from accidentally driving onto the runway. Flight stands are in place. Finally, a reminder to all members that our club is now "FRIA" approved by FAA which permits RC aircraft to fly at our field without "ID" modules.

<u>Vice President's Report:</u> Field has been "rolled & cut", looks great & is ready for flying. A few brown spots (dead grass) have been observed this year on the runway and in the pit area which may be indicative of fuel leakage. Please check any fueled aircraft to keep any leaks to a minimum.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Motion made by Tim Toot to accept the Treasurer's Report and seconded by Mike Brouse. Motion passed.

Secretary Report: No Report

<u>Field Marshall's Report</u>: Tom Krichten advised no issues to report, but reminded all pilots aircraft should not taxi within the pit area.

<u>Web Master Report:</u> Roster updated & the Treasurer will forward "new member" information to Tim for inclusion. AMA updated.

2024 CLUB EVENTS:

Warbirds Over Gettysburg: June 8-9, 2024

Blue & Gray 30th Anniversary Summer Fun Fly: August 10-11, 2024

Club picnic: September 15, 2024

Blue & Gray Chili fly-in: October 12-13, 2024

Blue & Gray Christmas party: TBD



Old Business

A \$100.00 club donation was made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in memory of Mr. James R. Bewley. Mr. Bewley's family recently donated his collection of RC Helicopters & associated equipment to our club. The motion for this donation was made by Mike Brouse; Seconded by Tom Krichten, & approved by the Executive Committee on 01/12/24.

New Business

Our club received a request from the Gettysburg Civil Air Patrol (CAP) to provide training & assistance on RC flying to their cadets. The CAP has an E-Flite Apprentice that requires assembly and a simulator. Upon Executive Committee concurrence, Jeff met with CAP and scheduled July 20, 2024 to work with CAP cadets at our field from 11 - 2. We will provide flying time, food & drink. Club members are invited to fly as well & provide training assistance.

The "Touch A Truck" event for children will be held at the East Berlin Area Community Center on Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 11-2. Jeff will be displaying model aircraft and distributing club information. Participation from the club would be greatly appreciated.

- Upcoming regional events include: Gettysburg Airport Fly In & Pancake Breakfast June 1st & 2nd, Lehigh Valley Fun Fly June 1st, Harrisburg Flying Society Fun Fly / Swap Meet June 15th & Balsa Buster R/C Fun Fly July 13th & 14th near Dubois, PA.