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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year !!

Question: How long will we have to wait for this terrible economy to pick up?

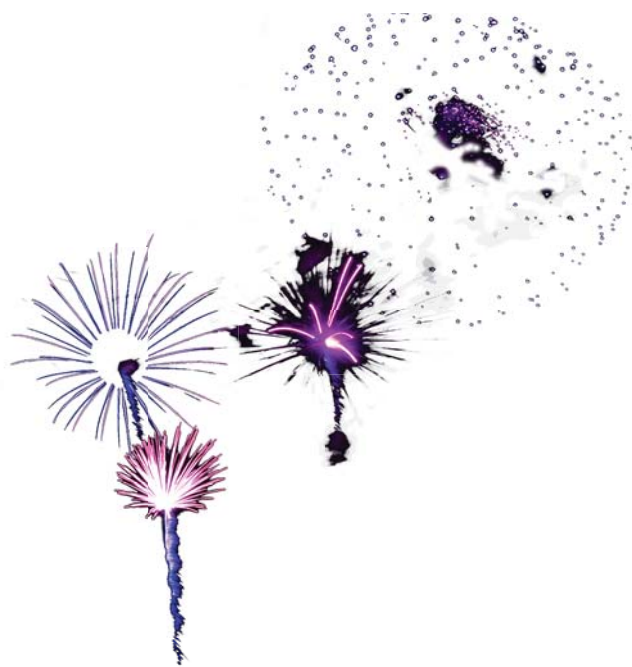
Stupid Answer: It will pick up when we stop waiting, and get back to living our lives as usual. I think it is ok to exhale now, maybe even relax just a bit.

Where our club is concerned, that means making time for yourself and for your hobby interests. I am talking as much to myself here as to any other member. I find it tough to enjoy goofing off when I feel things crashing down on my head. 2009 felt a lot like things crashing down everywhere for me – maybe for you as well. Through it all, the club managed to carry on serving its members -- repair a worn out lawnmower, overseed and fertilize grass, replace a tattered windsock and have some fun events for members and guests alike.

2010 is hanging out there for us all to make into something fabulous. What will we do with it? For starters, several of your fellow club members are already organizing and planning some fun events – maybe a few more of you will get the spirit and take a project on. I am not suggesting we gamble on hosting

a huge regional type event unless the IMAC folks need us, but maybe something low key, just for members and guests. Let's have some fun. I am going to try once again to clear time each week to go fly something. And I hope to fly everything I have this next year (maybe even fly some twice if they survive the first flight)

So make a commitment to yourself – make time for your loved ones, and save just a bit for yourself. Some wise old man once told me to "Do something every day that you enjoy. Nobody ever looks back on life and regrets taking time to smell the roses!"



THE BUZZ

LAST MEETING

A club meeting was called to order at 7pm at the Train Station on December 9, 2009.

The Treasurer reported balances of \$1940.00 and \$1023.30 in checking and savings. Jack Rosemere reported 23 paid up members, with checks and cash coming in every day. The next newsletter will go out to the 2009 member list and then the club will begin using the 2010 paid up list.

Some new faces present included some welcome family members and two new prospective members Keith Hertzog and Jim Cockran. With a table full of food, there wasn't much interest in dealing with serious business, however there was discussion about a couple of items. Some information about Slow Survivable Combat was presented and a suggestion that our club coordinate with other local clubs in the area so as to schedule events without conflicting with each other. That idea was supported by members present.

The President reported that a decision to keep member dues unchanged from the past year was based on the current bank balances being sufficient for projected club needs. The new mower engine was installed and tested by Skip and seems to have solved the issues with the mower. There aren't any planned construction projects beyond keeping an eye on existing structures and providing paint and repairs as needed. Matt reported that the mower shed has received a fresh coat of paint and should be good to go.

It was suggested that the club consider replacing the canvas roof over the cooking area. That cost is projected to be about \$500. The trailer is in need of some roof paint which should be no problem in the spring. The fertilizing and seeding schedule will likely continue next year, but funds sufficient for these purposes are already in the bank without counting expected member dues in January. The club gas grills need to be retired and replaced with something new -- Matt and Terri

were going to look into this.

The topic of bringing electricity to the field was brought up. It was suggested that an engineer take a look at the logistics, but feared that the costs would be prohibitive relative to using on site generator power. The club will also be looking at doing something with solar and batteries for battery charging.

Our new member Keith presented those present with a Christmas present of a discount card to www.heliflightcenter.com where he is a sales rep. Thanks Keith !!

George reported having no further information about HeliFun, and we will assume that the event will not require any support from our club unless we hear otherwise.

The members elected to deteriorate into an unruly bunch and the meeting was closed so that everybody could eat and watch the 2009 club slide show. Members who wish a copy of the slide show may contact Jack, there are copies available on DVD.

CLUB CALENDER

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Next Club Meeting: January 13- 7pm at the TRAIN STATION, Hurlock, MD

May 16 – Fun Fly – Fuel & Electric

August 14-15: Jim Coll Memorial Control Line Stunt Contest- Hurlock, MD

TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE NEXT MEETING

1. 2010 Events – IMAC, Jim Coll Stunt Contest, Funfly
2. Mowing schedule 2010
3. Slow survivable combat

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

George Fox January 31

Bill Hubbard January 27

Sarge Johnson January 24

Paul Martin January 14

Jack Rosemere January 31

Tom Stomps January 30

Ed Terry January 26

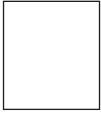
Jack Upchurch January 9

First to Fly -- Tie between Tim and Eric

Happy New Year



Jack Rosemere arrived late and refused to fly anything for the camera.



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