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Prez Sez

Hello Saints members,

Flood Threat for 2010

The weather forecasters are all saying there is a good change for flooding this spring due to the heavy snow pack up north. My advice is that we get started flying as soon as the weather breaks and "fly while the flying is good." Let's hope we won't be flooded, but there is that potential with our field being as low as it is.

Field Committee

We have commitments from two members to be on the field committee – Gary Cathey and Mike Ross. Two people should be enough. I realize this is a big commitment, but maintaining the field is one of the most important jobs in the club. We will be paying these members AMA and club dues for their work, which is still small payment for the time involved.

Toledo Show Coming in April

The annual Weak Signal show will be held again this year in Toledo Ohio on April 9th, 10th and 11th. Several Saints club members will be going, including me. If you have never been, you are missing out on one of the best trade shows in the country devoted to modeling. Many of the manufacturers are there, and most of the company owners. I will be in

the Troy Built Models booth when I am not out wandering around the exhibits.

Club Officers for 2010

President - Richard Jenkins
Vice President - Dick Magee
Treasurer – Don Pallett
Secretary – Bill McMenemy

Thanks
-Richard

Meeting Schedule

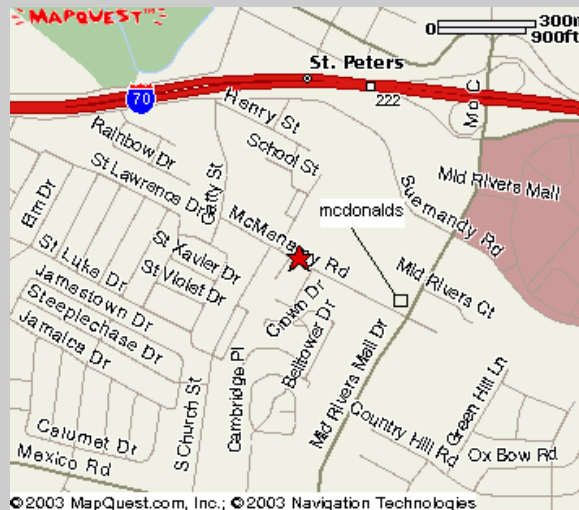
Meeting Dates Remaining in 2010:

Mar 11, Apr 8, May 13, Jun 10, Jul 8, Aug 12, Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 10, Dec 9

Meeting Time: 7 to 9 pm.

Meeting Location: St Peters Senior Center

From St. Charles go West on 70 to Mid Rivers Mall Drive. Turn left and go South to McMenemy Rd. Turn right on McMenemy by the McDonalds. Go 1/8 mile. Senior center will be on your left.



Meeting Minutes

St. Charles Saints – Meeting Minutes

Saints meeting called to order 2/11/2010 at 07:00 pm by president Rich Jenkins.

Roll Call: 17 members present.

Membership Status: 43 members, 9 life members, 18 openings.

Treasures Report: January beginning balance \$4,298 +change, credits \$2,000.00 in dues, debits \$8.41 for coffee. Ending balance is \$6,290.27.

Secretary Report: Motion to accept secretary report as printed in the newsletter, membership aye.

Field Report: Dan Eaton reports field and road are very soft when not frozen. Test before driving in or driving on field.

Field Committee Report: Currently looking for two members to fill the two openings on the field committee.

Pierre Fath contacted president indicating he would serve on field committee if two members would offer apologies. Indications are no apologies will be forth coming now or anytime in the future.

Gary Cathey contacted president and volunteered to serve on the field committee.

Mike Ross several weeks ago indicated he would be interested in serving on the field committee. President will contact him to see if he is still interested.

Old Business: Drawing held for the Christmas Party attendance prizes. Wnners are, Pierre Fath, Don Pallett, John Bouchillon. Each to receive \$100.00.

New Business: New memberships. A motion was made to accept Betty Westoff into club as honorary member, membership aye. A motion was made to accept Michael Jones and Micah Harrington into club, membership aye. Jim Plonka will be holding training sessions for new members.

April meeting is same time as Toledo show. President will see about moving meeting to first or third Thursday of month.

May 10 meeting is in the recreational room.

November 10 meeting moved to Wednesday in the recreational room.

Gary Butterfield is ill. Bob Ponte went and got a card so that everyone at meeting could sign and send to Gary and wish him a get well. Get well Gary.

50/50 winner is V.P. Richard Magee. Attendance prizes go to Kevin Edler and Rich Gwyn.

Bob Veenstra made a trip to a flying field in California where they have a 800 foot pave runway for gas turbine jets. A visitor at the field (not Bob) was flying his jet and went above 400ft limit and buzzed a light plane. The pilot of the light plane land at the local airport and brought an FAA official with him to talk to the visitor. This guy gave the FAA official some lip so the FAA shutdown the field right there. Moral of the story, it just doesn't pay to be stupid and then give the authorities lip. And if you bring a visitor to field, keep them in line.

Entertainment: Jim Plonka brought his Andrews Giant Aeromaster covered with Coverite 21st century covering. Plane is built from a Great Plane kit. Engine is a Fuji 64 with electronic ignition and a stock muffler. Covering is pre painted, trim color is glasskote epoxy paint which Jim says is great. John Bouchillon made the graphics. Plane weighs in at 23lbs.

Bob Ponte brought an A7 Crusader electric ducted fan ARF by Jet Hangar. 120 mm E-Turbax fan. Two 5S 5000mah batteries to power the motor will give 5 minutes flight time at 100-160 mph.

Dan Eaton brought a 12volt power supply from a server that he bought on Ebay for 8 dollars. This power supply can power several battery chargers.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Rich Gwyn and seconded by Warren May, membership aye.

Show And Tell



Jim Plonka's Andrews Giant Aeromaster