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Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on January 12 at Maria's restaurant. Doors open at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF DECEMBER

Richard Franzen is officiating as the Treasurer with the absence of Paul Cobb. Harold Hoskins made new wallet size member cards. He and Steve Grob winterized the mower. Harold has available club hats (\$8), t-shirts (\$8) and polo shirts (\$18). The changes to the constitution and bylaws concerning definitions of a guest and their flying privileges, dues, initiation fees, membership cards, and honorary memberships were discussed. Changes will be documented in the document.

Tailwinds January 2010

I hope you all had an enjoyable Holiday Season and kept warm during the past few wintry off season months. Let's hope 2010 brings a year that is as good as or better than 2009. In 2009 our field looked great, our membership grew to unprecedented levels and our finances were very strong. That's pretty hard to top, I know, but it can be done. We can always improve but it will take a little effort to get there. Along with all our usual objectives to keep our Club humming along during the year, we'll have a new one. That objective is to make the entire membership aware of a general change in philosophy when it comes to what is expected of them. In the past, members were expected to mow once or twice during the year and come to the monthly meetings. There was an unwritten rule which I have mentioned in this column previously that members were expected to do one additional activity for their Club during the year. This year, I would like to make it an objective that each member actually sign up for that additional



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task. We'll need help maintaining the field, our equipment and the lane, planning and executing events and very importantly planning, maintaining and following up on the mowing schedule. In order to take our Club to the next level, we'll need a little time and effort from each member to get it done. Usually, when members contribute in these ways, they have fun, enjoy the camaraderie, come away with a sense of accomplishment and contribution to the Club and then reap the benefits of their own contribution. It's a win-win situation which will take WRCF to the next level in 2010 by keeping our world class facility in great shape, ensuring maximum return for our efforts by using it frequently and in turn having as much fun as possible.

PS. See Banquet agenda on the last page of the Newsletter.

See you at the Banquet,
Steve Grob
President
WRCF

2009 WRCF Banquet Agenda **1/12/2010**

Arrive – 5:30 pm at Maria's
Get your color coded food and dessert tags from Kayton.
Bring your own beer or wine. Glasses will be provided.

Food served - 6:00 pm

After Dinner – Officers Comments

Steve
Wally
Kayton
Paul
John

Awards Presentations - Officers

Year 'Round Flyers Presentation - Marshall

Door Prizes – Steve

Adjourn



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2009 WRCF Financial Report

We finished the year with 52 members on record, but we also know several of them will not be able to join us next year due to job changes and other issues. Continuing to attract new members is a high priority for the club. We saved about \$800 this year by eliminating the heavy duty field rolling and adjusting fertilizer applications to better match the needs of the field. These savings enabled us to make capital improvements (new grill, concrete floor for shelter and a aerator for the field) plus deposit \$1445 into the mower savings fund. The 2010 budget will be more of a challenge because we are expecting more road maintenance costs, however, we should still meet all our business objectives.

Paul Cobb

NEWS FROM WARMER PLACES.

First nice days here in Phoenix since we arrived. Temp about 65 deg and winds 3-5 mph. This is the AMPS flying site with a 16 x 120' shelter. There are about 6 assembly tables in the shelter with electrical power available. The concrete strip is the pit area and the pilot stations are fenced off such that planes must be started at the pilot station. Also note the fence set up such that any plane exiting the runway can not easily enter the pit area.

The club has 250 or so members paying \$50 dues. New members also pay a \$100 initiation fee. The runway is asphalt 75' wide by 650' long. During the week there are usually only a half dozen flyers at the field. All type of airplanes will show up. Watched an electric track 130mph across the field today—really fast.

Sun sets here now about 5:30pm. This afternoon the “THING” showed up transported in the back of a pick up. It was modified this year with a new lighter aluminum frame and upgraded from a single Super Tiger 2200 pusher to two 2200 engines mounted mid ship. It used a canard front wing and the rear main wing must span 15'.



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Two Super Tiger 2200's mounted mid ship and angled out about 20 deg.

Take off rotation is about 5 mph and flying speed is anywhere from 5 to 15 mph. The thing always looks like it is flying backward. Owner took it to an AMA big bird event and they would not let him fly it.

Flew the U-Can -Do today and came home with it in one piece—so a good day. Won't ask about the weather back home---shorts here are the norm.





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