OROC Minutes - July 2017

Meeting was opened at 7:36pm at Giovannis Restaurant in Beaverton

Board Members present - Gary Goncher(President), Robert Braibish(Treasurer), Rob Appleton(Secretary), Alan Hammond(Launch Director), David Armstrong(RSO), and Tim Ryerse(Promotions)

Call for new members showed one, Chris Abbey.

Secretary report.

Rob Appleton read out the minutes of the May meeting.

Eclipse Party at the Delphian School

Gary has visited the location and believes that this could be a good site for up to Medium power rockets (to be discussed and finalised later). The Delphian would like a model rocket display to accompany the party that they are having for the Solar Eclipse.

A show of hands noted roughly 10 people would be intersted in attending.

Party at the Park, July 29th 1pm

Tualatin Rec centre will be holding a low power demo launch.

ESRA

Two local teams were represented at the ESRA launch this last month. 30K team and 100K team. It was reported that the 30K team didn't have the best weekend, whilst the 100K team managed to reach and altitude of 25,000ft with a good booster burn, but the sustainer overpressurised.

The 100K Team won the Good Sportsmanship Award

http://www.soundingrocket.org/latest-news

NXRS Launch Report

This was the biggest launch yet and the average motor was an I, which it was noted, was at least high power.

Problem reported include camping issues, parking issues, and the sometimes inability to locate an LSO or RSO for the next shift.

It was noted that a few people that were out finding rockets were doing so without adequate water, or a radio. It was suggested that there be a sign at the LSO and RSO stations remind people, and that we have available cold water and loaner radios.

Fire response was noted to be good this year, with no major issues.

Suggestions for next year include, a board for tracker frequencies, earlier promotion of LSO and RSO sign up, someone to co-ordinate parking and camping, and an RSO specifically assigned to pad manager.

Frank Burke reported that a local campsite, Aurora Outfitters, provided him with an excellent stay, and, as they are local, we may be able to approach them for catering at future NXRS.

Catering at this NXRS was commented on by a few people, with the general opinion being that it was a little overpriced and bland.

Rob Appleton reported on the results of the competitions (which has been previously released via the mailing lists and direct). The Polecat Fatboy was delivered to Alan Hammond, who won the closest to the mile competition.

Summer Skies

About 14 people at the meeting showed that they were going to attend Summer Skies. The hillsite will be open to O motors.

It was noted at this point that we are in desperate need of new 'Private Property' signs, warning of dangers such as explosives use, etc.

Treasurers Report

Report Date: 7/7/2017

Balance last report: \$9,112.36

Credits: \$1,062.36

Debts: \$(1,440.99)

Balance this report: \$8,733.73

Credits mainly comprised of membership/registrations from NXRS

Debts mainly comprised of Sanitation expenses.

Radio Towers and Permanant Launch Pads

Robert Braibish told the room that there were a few radio tower sections available and that we should purchase them with the idea of setting a few permanent pad locations at the Brothers Site. The room agreed and Robert will report on this as it happens.

John Thompson is standing for NAR Board.

Meeting closed at 8.52