

OROC Meeting Minutes

Location: Giovanni's Restaurant in Beaverton

Date: April 7, 2005

Club officers present:

Fred Azinger, President
Bob Moscoe, Range Safety Officer Coordinator
Greg Clark, Launch Director
Yvonne Moscoe, Treasurer
Dave Bradley, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM

New members introduced themselves: Carl Degner and family from Longview, WA and Peter Ekstrom and family from Sandy, OR.

The March meeting minutes were approved.

Yvonne presented the treasurer's report.

Announcements

FAA waiver granted: Greg Clark announced that the FAA waiver has been received. It was utilized twice during March demonstrating that the waiver process is working. We have a standing weekend waiver of 23,000' MSL (18,500' AGL) with windows to 40,000' MSL. Launches that require use of the 40k window are by request only and require approval of a Board member and the Flight Safety Officer at the time. Anyone expecting to launch above 18,500' AGL should notify the Board of Directors at least a day in advance of the flight. Typically, flights below 20,000' AGL will be quickly approved. Flights over 20,000' AGL require that the FSO and Board member consider upper level winds to help assure that we avoid landing on the highway or Brothers.

Fighter Wing on Fridays: Because we share the air space with the Klamath Falls fighter wing, we are not allowed start EX activities until noon on Fridays when the fighter wing has completed operations. Greg will work with the fighter wing to see if he can get the start time changed to 8:00 on Fridays of scheduled launches.

Pick-up launch procedure: If members wish to launch at the Brothers site on weekends other than scheduled OROC launches, the FAA waiver must be activated and landowner permission must be granted. Please contact Greg Clark at least two days prior to the launch for information on how to comply with this FAA requirement. The FAA must be notified on Thursday morning for a Saturday launch. A participant at the launch must have a cell phone on site and must make three calls in the morning and three calls in the afternoon for each day of flying. Contact Chris and Jane for permission to use the land.

Potties for pick-up launches: For potty service prior to a pick-up launch please contact Bob or Yvonne two days prior to the launch. Bob explained that if a "reasonable number" of OROC members will be on site, Bob or Yvonne will arrange to have the potties serviced as a benefit of club membership. If less than a reasonable number, say less than six plan to launch, those people may want to consider paying the \$25 for the potty service. Contact Bob or Yvonne for more information.

Old Business

Replacement trailer update: Fred announced that we are actively seeking a new trailer. We were ready to buy one but it had been sold. Donations to the trailer fund, raffle ticket purchases, and payment on trailer pledges were encouraged. We anticipate having a new trailer before the Sheridan launch in September. Fred stated that the current trailer is illegal. He reiterated that the

goal is to purchase a lighter weight trailer that is legal and safe and can be hauled by more than just a couple people.

Trailer hauling this summer: Bob will haul the 4000 lb brown trailer to Brothers in May. Dennis is scheduled to bring the trailer back to Portland in July. Bob requested a volunteer to haul the trailer back and forth from Redmond, where it will be stored, in June. Contact Bob if you are willing to haul the trailer on Friday and again on Sunday of the June and July launches.

Posters and brochures: Fred announced that he has 200 brochures ready for distribution. Color poster will be printed, laminated, and distributed.

TARC Team sponsor: Fred asked for membership to help identify Team America Rocket Challenge teams that could use assistance from the OROC.

Raffle prizes: Dave mentioned the prizes that had been donated by commercial vendors. Fred asked for volunteers to help call vendors.

New Business

NAR update: NAR Trustees George Rachor and John Lyngdal reported that there was no news on the legal suit with ATF.

Build-it / Fly-it: Fred announced a member's idea to sponsor a build-it / fly-it event at a launch. Interest for such an event seemed low.

Brothers lot for sale: A member mentioned that the 40 acre lot from which we currently fly at Brothers is for sale for \$29,000. Bob mentioned that historically, the landowner had not been interested in negotiating with a group.

TARC Team presentation: The Kelso, WA Team America Rocket Challenge team was introduced. Brett Phillips and Carl Degner witnessed the team's first qualification attempt on Saturday April 2, 2005. The team met the challenge of flying and recovering two-stage rocket with an egg payload and a flight duration of 60 seconds. According to Brett the flight was perfect coming in right at 60 seconds. The team introduced themselves and showed a brief video of the adventures leading up to the qualification flight. Brett passed the hat to raise funds to help get the team back to Washington, assuming the team qualifies in the top 100. Members donated \$219.00 for the team. Thanks to Brett and Carl for helping out.

Another TARC team: George requested a volunteer to witness a qualification flight at David Douglas High School on the Friday following the meeting. John Gamble volunteered.

Model rocketry 50th anniversary plans: John Lyngdal announced that the 50th anniversary of model rocketry is coming and there will be a number of sponsored events, with an emphasis on getting kids out to fly model rockets. John requested that members look for small fields that might be able to host model rocketry events.

Rocket Day: Fred announced that Rocket Day is scheduled for April 9th at a church located in Sandy, OR. All are welcome to help.

Tammies Aerotech Sale: Fred mentioned a sale on Aerotech motors at Tammies Hobbies.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM