

Oregon Rocketry July 2011 Meeting Minutes

Giovanni's Restaurant, July 7, 2011: The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by Gary Goncher. Officers present: Paul Bogdanich (secretary), Robert Brabish (Treasurer). Gary Goncher (president) and Ken McGoffin (publicity director), and Tim Ryerse (safety officer).

Report of the June OROC and NXRS Launches

The results of the June launch were recounted with 153 total flight cards. The most popular impulse class in June was "I" impulse. The NXRS launch had 111 motors launched which were comprised of 5 "F" Impulse, 8 "G" impulse, 19 "H" impulse, 22 "I" impulse, 18 "J" impulse, 14 "K" impulse, 5 "L" impulse, 16 "M" impulse, 3 "N" impulse and 1 "O" impulse motors for a total of approximately 266,569 NS ignited at the event.

NXRS Awards

Being generous men Robert Krausert and Fred Azinger distributed awards for notable events, achievements and support work at the NXRS events. Free DVD's of the NXRS event went to Paul Bogdanich, Allan Hamond and Randy Birzer for logistical support and grunt work. 6 issues of Rocket's Magazine were awarded to Steve Heller, Neil Andersen and Mike Fischer for outstanding flights or flight attempts. 3 Rocket's Magazine photographs were awarded to Jack Caynon, Joe Bevier and David Harris for a variety of flight related achievements. Also a special gift was awarded to Robert Brabish in recognition of his efforts at the 2010 Sheridan launch on the new site at Sheridan.

Support Request Update

A discussion was held concerning the outside support and coordination requests we are supporting. We are currently committed to make presentations and / or demonstrations to three scout and or youth groups. It was suggested that in light of the increasing number of requests that we are receiving for such off site support that the club archive presentations, demonstration rocket, videos, water rockets and other resources to make it easier to put together subsequent presentations.

Preliminary 2012 Launch Scheduling

A brief discussion was held and members were asked to collect their thoughts concerning the proliferation in the number of launches we are hosting, the strain this is putting on the vendors for sometimes inadequate returns and how we can better schedule things in 2012 to mitigate these concerns.

Trailer Hauling

A brief discussion was held concerning hauling the trailer to and from Brothers for the July Launch for which a volunteer was secured and the longer haul over the mountains to the Sheridan site in September as well as the possibility of a pre-Sheridan trailer party to ensure all the gear is working properly. Brief mention was also made concerning a Winter home for the trailer that is under cover if possible and with power.

NAR Safety Grant for PA Improvements

The club was informed that the initial proposal for the NAR Safety Grant program was submitted and there was wide spread agreement amongst the membership that the P.A. system should receive the benefit of the grant funds, if any, and there also seemed to be support for expending club funds to make sure the necessary P.A. system upgrades were accomplished although no formal vote was taken on the last point pending the submission of a more detailed plan for the upgrade.

Treasurer's Report

A treasurers report was briefly discussed indicating that the May bank balance of \$4,117.94, was essentially unchanged and acknowledging the receipt of \$190.00 in membership, launch and merchandise sales fees incident to the NXRS launch and some unprocessed new membership applications received in the P.O. Box.

Call for New Business

There was a call for new business at which time Paul Bogdanich made a motion to remunerate the Brothers fire safety organization for the use of their fire suppression trailer at club launches at the Brothers site. The motion was made to pay the volunteer trailer hauler from the fire suppression society \$20.00 a launch and investigate any arrangement whereby the club proper might be able to join or support the organization. It was described how the presence of a motorized pump with a 150 gallon water tank and 300 feet of hose provided a much expanded level of fire suppression capability at the high-power and away pads. The motion was made, seconded and approved by the membership.

Adjournment

Having no other business, announcements or pleasantries the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:25 p.m. whereupon a slide show of NXRS pictures and videos was shown.

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