

Oregon Rocketry January 2014 Meeting Minutes

Giovanni's Restaurant, January 2, 2014.

Meeting called to order at approximately 7:35 PM.

2014 officers present:

Gary Goncher (President)
Wilson Alness (Secretary)
Robert Braibish (Treasurer)
Alan Hammond (Launch Director)
Ken McGoffin (Safety Officer)
Tim Ryerse (Publicity Director)

Call for New Members

A call for new members was made, revealing Gary Lech's first time attending an OregonRocketry meeting.

2013 Launch Review

The President engaged in a review of the 2013 launches. He noted that his records were incomplete in that he was missing the cards for Spring Thunder. Excepting the September Sage and Sheridan launches, each launch attracted 55 +/-10 fliers flying an average of 140 rockets per launch. The number of active fliers at the September Sage launch was low (31), and the number of fliers at the Sheridan launch was very high (115) in spite of poor weather and only 2 fliers on Sunday.

Election Results

In his last official act as OROC Secretary Paul Bogdanich announced the election of the 2014 officers which election results were:

President:

Gary Goncher	62 votes
David Armstrong	1 vote

Treasurer:

Robert Braibish	63 votes
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Secretary:

Wilson Alness	42 votes
David Armstrong	21 votes

Launch Director:

Alan Hammond	63 votes
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Safety Officer:

Ken McGoffin	62 votes
Stephen Tarr	1 vote

Publicity Director:
Tim Ryerse 63 votes

NAR Section President:
George Rachor 44 votes

TRA Prefect
Joe Bevier 43 votes

Grand Poobah
Dennis Winningstad 1 vote

Special Recognitions

The President made mention of various members who put forward extra effort over the year, and awarded gift certificates to the following members:

David Birch for launch set-up and trailer packing and hauling.
Paul Bogdanich for launch set-up and help with registration and LCO.
Robert Braibish for Sheridan launch organization and budget preparation.
Wilson Alness for organizing launch contests.
David Armstrong for hosting the trailer party and constructing launch pads.
Tim Ryerse for long hours of duty at many launches.

Treasurers Report

As of the meeting date the bank balance was \$3,528.00 with \$1,150.00 in deposits made last month, and no expenses for the previous month.

GSE Trailer Tires

After a tire blowout experienced by Alan Hammond while towing the GSE trailer back to the valley after the Rocketober launch, it was asked if both trailer tires are going to be replaced. The answer was yes, and Alan is going to take care of this.

2014 Launch Schedule

The President read the dates for the proposed 2014 launch and put the dates to a vote of the membership and the motion passed unanimously so the dates of the 2014 Oregon Rocketry Launches are as follows:

Spring Thunder	May 16, 2014 – May 18, 2014
NXRS	June 27, 2014 – June 29, 2014
Summer Skies	July 25, 2014 – July 27, 2014
Desert Heat	August 22, 2014 – August 24, 2014
Fillible's Folly	September 26, 2014 – September 28, 2014
Rocketober	October 17, 2014 – October 19, 2014

Please notice that the September Sage event is missing due to low attendance but the actual date of the missing launch is in early June before NXRS, with all other launches

spaced approximately one month apart as allowed by the fighter wing, national launches and other conflicts. It was also mentioned that Washington Aerospace's Fire in The Sky Launch is on Memorial Day Weekend in late May if people want to go to that. In addition, if the weather is good and interest is adequate, then a non-scheduled pick-up launch with the club gear from Brothers is always possible.

As noted by Keith Packard, the 2014 Wilsonville launch schedule is currently pending.

Veronica Honorarium

The club presented the annual honorarium to Veronica for another year's worth of outstanding service, with gifts totaling approximately \$320.

Possible Hillsboro Air Show Participation

Someone made mention of possible participation in the air-show. Several concerns were voiced which include liability concerns, expenses, and few additional members generated as a result of participation. After some discussion the President asked for a volunteer to look into it and no one volunteered, so the motion was tabled until the next meeting.

NXRS Commemorative Kit

Tim Ryerse reported that Mike Fisher at Binder Design is actively working on an NXRS commemorative kit and he will let the club know the results when he has them available.

2014 Raffle

The President noted that donations to the raffle were made by, including but not limited to: Bob Grossfeld (Sunriver Nature Center), Keith Packard (Altus Metrum), Tim Ziegenbein (Leading Edge Rocketry), Gary Goncher, Greg Clark (BigRedBee), Fred Azinger, Brian Van't Hul, Bruce Carey, Gary Knaust, Dave Bradley, and Public Missiles. The raffle was drawn and the prizes were allocated. A list of winners was posted to the email list. For those winners not in attendance at the meeting, please contact Robert Braibish to arrange to get your winnings.

Adjournment

A call was made for other business and being none the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:26 PM.

Please send any corrections or additions to Wilson Alness, at wilson@roudog.com.