

Club Meeting – May 7, 2019

Fargo Air Museum - members and guests present - 19

Checking - \$5,496.55

Savings - \$2,286.12

TOTAL - \$7,782.67

40+2 members so far this year

AGENDA

- FAA rep to speak next month – no show again. We are concerned in the FAA's apparent lack of interest in assisting with our questions. We want to be in compliance but there are so many gray areas. We seem to get different answers from FAA depending on who is talking to them. We have to abide by their rules. We should demand that they provide us the results of their work in this area so far. Have the rules prevented problems? What are they seeing?

Other discussion on this topic:

- modelers must register with FAA. Models must be labeled with FAA number on the outside of the aircraft. Under .5 lb exemption is gone.
 - Beware, there are scam sites that charge more than \$5 for registration.
 - FAA said call tower each time. The tower says if this is for recreation, fine. automated system may be available for recreation soon
 - Air Map, file flight plans. Quad Squad does it for their races.
 - 400' level is a limit now (FAA). AMA may disagree. Quarter scale and aerobatics often require more than 400'
 - Dick said show team got statement they can go above 400' in air shows.
 - How can we be made aware when the city will be flying low for mosquito spraying? This is often an issue for quads and other city park flying.
 - City Park officer thinks flying of quads is "illegal". Backed down when challenged for exact rules or laws.
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- During Fun Flies – temporary fencing will be used.
 - Fargo Air Sho – Ryan cannot be CD. Need a volunteer. Possible fly in a netted area if we get sponsorships for the netting. Have a better display, something on a pole, power. Really tight schedule with commercial flights. More likely we will just do a big, nice display of our planes and possibly something on a pole or balloons to draw attention. We'll have much more room than last year. Ken mentioned that our club could be one of the organizations to provide volunteers at the various food booths, parking, etc. to earn \$50 per person per day.
 - Quad Squad. June 29 for regional qualifier contest. Would like to use the field that day until about 5 or 6 PM. This is a safe location for them compared to a city park and there is no guarantee that other people won't be using the park at the same time.
 - May 18 cleanup day at the field, ~10am.

- Dick Vos changed the paint trim on a P40 model for the Air Museum to match that of a local flyer that was honored for his work with the Chinese. Thanks Dick.
- Should we get an electric trainer for instruction? AS3X and Safe. No decision. Take up at next board meeting

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