



### **Wolverines meeting ' 3/2/2009**

The meeting was called to order at the Mt. Clemens Library by President Jerry LeLacheur at 7:00 PM. There were 9 members present.

#### **Old Business:**

Glen gave the treasurer's report showing we had \$1936 on hand, and one bill, \$90 to the AMA. The web site was renewed, with the registration and one year hosting totaling \$63, of course we handle our own programming, so there is no further cost.

#### **New Business:**

Jerry discussed our road to the field, new member Joseph Mack said we might have to put drainage in. Mr. Mack has equipment that will help us, a very kind offer. We may have to rent a trencher though. He said we could drain into the big ditch 75 to 100 feet away.

Pete would like to remove the two trees on the East end, at the south side of the field, and he has the owners permission for this.

#### **Show-and-Tell:**

Les Brown was able to be here, from his job in Kuwait, talk about a commute! He demo'd his Blade helicopter. Which is \$114 at the Prop Shop. He showed how it is "hands-off" stable when hovering, and offered to let us all fly it. We were all to shy (chicken?) to fly it, especially yours truly, Dave the Secretary. Les also spoke of the new 2.4 GHz radio sets, and how they react faster than our 72 MHz equipment. You won't get this feature if you simply convert your radio with a converter module, it will have the same response speed.

Bob Branch, author of some very detailed, hi-tech, building blogs on the Internet, brought his Nobler project in. It is easy to see why this is a highly regarded design, it is simply beautiful! Of course, Bob's building skills were evident, and we all marvelled at the light weight model. Bob pointed out that he is building to a certain weight of 40-44 ounces AUW. Not too many of us could even build it that light, but Bob said this wasn't like the others, where he makes them as light as possible. If you haven't felt the lightness of Bob's planes you really need to, with permission of course,

Dave Bacon demonstrated his small vacuum forming machine, making a Chevy Geo emblem in just seconds, after the plastic sheet reached full temperature. This is also handy for making tool drawer organizers, just line up the tools as they would rest in the drawer and vacuum form a sheet over them, now this sheet lays in the drawer and automatically shows what's missing.

#### **50-50:**

The 50-50 was won by Steve, who donated most of it back to the club. Thanks, Steve.