



Wolverines meeting 4/7/2014

This meeting was called to order by Bill Welser, at 7:00.
There were 9 members present.

Treasurer's Report:

Glen was off this meeting, will report next meeting.
Bob Branch and Pete Carchio paid their dues to the Secretary, who will give it to the Treasurer asap.

Secretary's Report:

Dave didn't have the minutes from the meeting 2/3/2014, but when he finds them he will post the minutes on our web site.

General Discussion:

Old Business:

Dues:

We still need dues from our members. We must plan our projects for the current year.

Maintenance:

No new items were discussed

New Business:

Harry Stutt passed away:

Pete Carchio found out when he called for Harry, and was surprised he wasn't told this by someone. Dave Bacon will make sure a sympathy card goes to Harry's wife.

Eagles extend an invitation to fly with them:

Their field is off I-94 at exit 266 or 269, take Range Road to Ravens Wood Rd, across from the Gun Club. You can call Gary Wilkerson or Bill Welser for more information. Keith introduced a motion that we extend the same courtesy to them, Dave B seconded the motion, which the members voted to pass.

Eagles Toys for Tots event:

This will be an Eagles Fun Fly event, held on the first Saturday of August. Bring a toy - get a ticket for their drawing..

Toledo Show Report:

Keith said they had a great show, and that the swap meet was smaller than in the past. He got to see his friend's (George Mariana) C133 with an 11 foot wingspan on display, it took him 5 years to build.
He said that our hobby is doing fine, and there were lots of quad-copters, but not a lot of .40 size planes. Plenty of 1/3rd scale and up, mostly gas powered. There were a few balsa "40's", but mostly big foam electrics.

Bob Branch said Horizon has large foamies, 3D cubs, etc. Many are 81" to 82" wings. The foam on a Cub he felt was as hard as plywood, and this plane comes complete for \$350.

He said there were great deals at the swap shops, but they were cleaned out by 10 AM Saturday.

Keith described some very detailed IP gauges and "glass instruments" for models.

Dues amount was brought up by Bill Welser:

He said new membership is an initiation fee of \$25 + \$100 dues, and that we should drop the initiation, and make the dues \$75 a year. We opted to discuss this in our June meeting.

50/50:

Not this time

Show and Tell:

Bob Branch showed his "Spar-less" airplane experiment, and said that a profile fuse flexes too much, so he made a geodesic fuse that gave 20% less deflection than a profile. This is for Control Line aerobatics.

Bob said that electrics are now dominant because the programmable speed controls regulate speed better than a glow engine on a tuned pipe.

Bob used bluefoam ribs, which can stand up to 350 degrees when covering with UltraCote, and it can be glued without requiring "foam-safe" CA. Bob will test this in a Control Line stunt plane to see how it works out. He will use 3/16" sheet balsa for the tail feathers.

Next Meeting:

June 7th at 11 AM, at our field.
