



NEXT MEETING

Date

August 1/2018

Time

6:30pm

Location

Field (weather permitting)

Agenda

If any members wish to bring up new business especially anything that requires a vote, please let the executive know so we can add it to our agenda.

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OBJECTIVES OF THE CLUB

- (a) To promote friendship and good feelings among the members;
- (b) To foster a spirit of group interest and co-operation among the members;
- (c) To provide encouragement and offer advice to the novice in the building and flying of his miniature aircraft;
- (d) To support the Constitution, preserve the ideals and extend the principles of this Club;
- (e) To promote safety in the sport.

NIPMAC 2018 Executive

President: Cameron Sanders

Vice-President: Rick Nay
Treasurer: Jerzy Bak
Secretary: Robert Zentai

Field Manager: Roger La Berge & Lloyd Argo

Webmaster: Eric Rivest
Newsletter Editor: Robert Zentai
Chief Flying Instructor: Foley Soroye

UPCOMING EVENTS

Glider flying season (9:00-12:00)

- June 23
- July 21
- Sept 22

Other Local Events

- Longest Day Fun Fly June 21
- Sault Ste. Marie Annual Fun Fly June 23
- Timmins Gold Hawks Fun Fly July 14
- Sault Ste. Marie Float Fly August 4
- Zone Fun Fly Hosted by Nipmac August 11

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Minute Taking

Meeting called to order: 6:35pm 18 members present Past Minutes OK'd by Mel Meeting adjourned by Chuck 50/50 won by Rick total of \$22

Treasurers Report

- 1. Jerzy Bak reported that there is 46 paid up members
- 2. GIC has a 1% gain in value
- 3. Tax report done and we are at a null
- 4. Club is in good standings with funds

Field Report

- 1. Roger nominated Mel as our first "Hero of the Day" for sponsoring our glider fun fly. Did mention we do more than one hero but felt Mel was best suited
- 2. Roger donated to the club to be given away a corded controlled dump truck used by grandkid on retrieving refreshments during the heat of past summer months. Did mentioned this delivery service was not to par at times

Old Business

- 1. Cameron told membership of the restriction of flying more than 1/2lb drones in and around all Provincial parks
- 2. Little Italy will be providing lunch consisting of Salad and assorted Panini's sandwiches at our zone fun fly
- 3. Asked membership if knew of any other catering services around who could give us a quote for the fun fly event
- 4. Cameron mentioned when attended last year at the Soo Northern zone fun fly. They had a dinner at a local restaurant for all pilots and family members and it was well attended.
 - I have talked to Emmanuel Katsiapis a NIPMAC member and his family owns the Beef and Brand and we can have a dinner there Saturday evening for pilots and family. This is at your expense but a very worthwhile get together.
- 5. No new news regarding the sun shelter on cost and extras required
- 6. Cameron brought up the recent MAAC email which came out regarding people using lasers pointed at aircrafts

New Business

- 1. 1 month till our zone fun fly. We will be starting up the committees
- 2. Cameron and Robert cleaned the seacan and had Trembly's power wash come and pressure wash it down
- 3. We emailed out to other clubs our flyer created for the zone fun fly
- 4. Membership discussed their experience with service provided by Horizon Hobby

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Lessons learned at the Field

Recently we had a misshape at the field with a member who was breaking in a new engine. As we always say let's be safe when operating our toys regardless if gas, nitro or electric as they all can cause injuries.

Few reminders when you are starting your engine

- 1. Make sure nothing is around the prop which can get caught and be pulled in
- 2. Always ensure that your aircraft is secure so doesn't take off on you
- 3. Make sure you have no loose clothing or jewellery that may get caught in the propeller once starts
- 4. Always remove your glow driver from behind. Don't reach over to remove it. Once prop is spinning it can be very difficult to see the outer edge of the diameter.
- 5. If you need to adjust your needle valve do it also from behind making sure the plane is still secure.

Below is a thank you letter provided by Chuck who had an accident and also from a guest from Smiths Falls

Lesson Learned Painfully (from Chuck)

Do you know what an 18-inch prop on an OS.95 turning at approximately 8,000 rpm can do to fingers? Well, I can tell you!! Lots of blood and 22 stitches!! This was my first experience with a larger nitro engine. All previous play had been with .45s and smaller. It was a new engine and I was doing the OS recommended break in procedure. It was mounted on a test board clamped to a picnic table. So far, so good!! Do not ask me now my fingers came in contact with that salami slicer!! I can think of lots of excuses but honestly it comes down to not paying attention to what I was doing! Those big props are dangerous!!

With blood everywhere, I asked if anyone had a Band-Aid. My little finger was laid open with a gapping three-inch gash with the finger bone clearly visible. I got immediate aide with the hand being tightly wrapped in an effort to stem the bleeding. As I walked back to the scene of the accident I realized that I was not feeling well and was about to pass out!!

I did pass out but did not hit the ground as I do recall that before the lights went out I was grabbed by at least two strong men. I came to sitting in a chair with my caregivers clustered around me. I do also recall that the care I received included having a pretty lady holding my hand to comfort and assure me I was going to be OK! Owning to the amount of blood and the fact that I had passed out my caregivers made the decision to call an ambulance.

Bottom line; I learned two important things.

- 1. NIPMAC members are a great and wonderful group of people. They care about each other. You will note in this report of what happened I have not named anyone for fear of missing someone. You all were great! Hours later when I was discharged from Emergency, with a fistful of stitches, my car was waiting for me in the hospital parking lot!
- 2. Do not play with a big nitro engine if you are alone on the airfield. I say that because, being retired and a morning person, I have on numerous occasions, been alone at the airfield early in the morning. It scares me to think of what would have been the outcome were I alone on that morning!!!

Regardless of how big the thank you is, it isn't enough to convey my feelings for how NIPMAC cared for me. THANK YOU!!

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Lessons learned at the Field (cont.)

Hello North Bay Club Members

I would like to thank you for your warm and welcoming hospitality on Wednesday 18 July when I was a guest at your club. Every person at the club came over to me and welcomed me and made me feel right at home. I felt so comfortable that I even flew my Blade 550X for a short flight. As I was packing up to get on with my trip home, I was able to assist Chuck with his medical issue and I sure hope he is on the mend and wish to convey my sincere thanks to everyone who helped out with this incident. All in attendance helped and it is sure heart warming to see people pull together to help one another. I have the deepest respect to anyone who helps out when someone needs help and admire you all for how you treated me as a guest. Hats off to you all and again, thank you for a wonderful time at your club field. If I ever get near North Bay again, you can count on me stopping in. If Chuck doesn't mind sharing his e mail address, I would like to contact him to see how he is doing. You can reply to this e mail to get it to me.

As a police officer, I am proud to be a long-standing member, and as a model pilot, I too am proud to be a member, especially when I can be associated to good people like those in your club. Well done NIPMAC.

Steve Stresman

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