

December 2021 Meeting Minutes – Northwest Skyraiders (Control Line Model Airplane Club)

Meeting held December 14th, 2021, 6:00 PM at Denny's at 1246 North Central Ave, Kent, WA.

Fourteen members were present including:

- Mike Potter – President
- Kris Millard – Vice President
- Steven Holt – Secretary/Treasurer
- Dave Gardner – Safety Officer
- Rodney Claus
- Bob Einhaus
- Addis Elmore
- Ben Jones
- Randy Ling
- John Lunz
- Trent Marvin
- Jim McCartney
- Jim Schneider
- Bob Welch

Mike Potter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Old Business:

- There was further discussion relative to flying site identification for the club. Jim McCartney and Mike Potter are working with Thun Field airport management to identify a flying location we can develop and use for club flying events on an ongoing basis. We look forward to progress on this effort. The additional funds the club has gathered in the last few years may be of use doing land preparation and setup once the field is identified and an agreement is signed between the airport and the club. Much communication and work remains to be done to make this a reality.

New Business:

- Steve Holt gave the Treasurer's report noting the balances in the club checking and savings account after depositing the proceeds of the Gary Letsinger Estate Sale. Steve also is in the process of updating the membership roster and inputting it to the AMA Club website for 2022. We expect some growth in the club membership with the dues suspended for the year. Steve will provide the latest membership numbers at the January meeting.
- Dave Gardner and Mike Potter provided a report from the Gary Letsinger Estate sale. Gary donated to the club a very substantial amount of Control Line modelling gear including airplanes, partially built airplanes, kits, a large quantity of new old stock engines, and a lot of parts, tools, flying gear and more. The club sponsored a sale on December 12th that was held at a building at Thun Field in Puyallup. The response from the northwest flying community and from our club and friends was very good with a lot of planes, kits, engines parts and tools being purchased by active modelers in the northwest as Gary had wished to be done with his lifetime of airplane modelling gear. Gary wanted his legacy to end up in the hands of active modelling enthusiasts so it would be used and appreciated. The club will catalog the remaining gear, planes, kits, engines and parts with the goal of selling some more of it or deciding whether to offer it to the Regionals for prizes or for our contests to be held in 2022.
- There was a discussion and subsequent vote to delay the annual banquet from the usual scheduled time in January until early April. The date and location will be finalized at the first meeting in 2022.

- Normally there is no club meeting held in January because of the Annual Banquet. Since this will be delayed until later in the spring, a January meeting was requested for January 11th.
- The Northwest Skyriders Winter Swap meet was discussed and the club decided to hold it on the 5th of March. Jim McCartney and Mike Potter will coordinate with the Thun Field Airport management to see if we can use the same building we used for the Gary Letsinger Estate Sale.
- The club discussed the 2022 contest plan and decided to try to hold two contests with the first in June. Location and other details will be determined and established in upcoming meetings in 2022.
- We will continue to hold our normal meeting dates on the second Tuesday of the month at the Denny's on Central Ave in Kent, WA. We will meet next on January 11th, 2022 at 6:00 PM.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

As recorded by Steve Holt, Northwest Skyriders Secretary/Treasurer

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