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Meeting Minutes

July Meeting of the Austin Radio Control Association

President Patrick Fernandez called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. There were 22 members and 2 guests present. The minutes of the June Meeting were read and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted as read.

Old Business

The tire on the water buffalo needs professional help. Patrick is looking to get something more formal about vendors at the events. Ken will have flyers for the combination any-size warbird/big bird event on October 7-9. Bob Price said the flyers for the helicopter event are out and other items are moving along. Patrick is trying to get a new club sign made.

New Business

Phil spoke about getting a new fire extinguisher for the field. Doug Nelle is getting a new wind sock for the field.

Blue Max

Went to Morris Duet for crashing his Kaos.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

President's Column

Proactive. I mentioned it at the last meeting and it still has merit today. Over the past month we have had some situations which bring this to light. We have many new members at the field these days. Not all of these members are familiar with the field, the surroundings, or the rules. Get proactive with other members, introduce yourself and ask if they have any questions. The friendships formed in this hobby can be some of the best you could ever make. We also have had an accident where a plane crashed into a vehicle in the parking area. When you prepare to fly, you should prepare for all situations. Knowing that you may have to abort a takeoff, or have to alter your flight path to avoid hitting something should be somewhere in your thought process as you prepare for the flight. In flight if you get into a situation that could endanger others, you should kill the engine as soon as you realize this. Getting the aircraft back under control may be your first thought, but you should quickly think to minimize the potential harm and damage you may be about to cause. Be proactive with other members and yourself. Think ahead before you fly, and make sure those who you are flying with know the rules.

We do have two events of note coming up in October. Volunteer to help during one of the two events. Your assistance will be appreciated. Also we have a 'non-event' coming soon too. The Capital City Trap and Skeet club will be having a 'super' event over labor day weekend. They will be setting up additional shooting stations near the South end of our runway. Therefore the field will be closed. Fly Safe!

Next Meeting
Thursday Evening
August 25th
7:00 pm
at the
Flying Field

Upcoming Club Events:

August 25th	Club Meeting Flying Field
October 7th 8th & 9th 21st 22nd & 23rd 27th	Warbird/Bigbird Helifun fly-in Club Meeting Flying Field

Lester Field will be closed during the Labor Day weekend for a regional event at the Capital City Trap and Skeet Club

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