

Oregon Rocketry August Meeting Minutes

Giovanni's Restaurant, August 6, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Gary Goncher.

Officers present: Gary Goncher.

Wilsonville Memorial Park Launches

Another successful model rocket launch was held at Memorial Park on Sunday, July 5th. The next launch will be held this coming Sunday, August 9th, from 2-5 PM at the same location. This will be a class 1 rocket launch only (maximum 3.3 lbs., 125 g propellant). The field size limits flights to 1000-1500 ft. For this launch only there will be no OROC ground support equipment at the launch; flyers need to bring their own pads. There should be plenty of equipment to share, however, so bring your rockets to fly!

Brothers "Summer Skies" July Launch

The July launch was held on July 10-12 at the Brothers, OR launch site. The weather was nice (sunny, 85 degrees, a few high clouds, light wind), and a lot of high power flights were flown. The breakdown was as follows: 33 Friday flights, 112 Saturday flights, and 26 Sunday flights. The motors flown were 36 low power (A-D), 62 mid-power (E-G), and 73 high power (H-M). The range was closed early on Sunday at 12:30 PM since most everyone was packing up to leave by then.

Brothers "Desert Extreme" August Launch

The August OROC launch will be held in Brothers the weekend of August 14-16. This launch will be research only; you must be Tripoli level 2 or above to fly rockets. A show of hands at the meeting indicated three members present planned to be at the launch.

Sheridan "Fillible's Folly" September Launch

The September OROC launch will again be at the Sheridan launch site. Robert Krausert is trying to arrange for a "members only" launch day on Friday afternoon this year. No word yet on whether the landowners have approved this yet, but things are looking good according to Robert.

August Trailer Work Party

Saturday August 22nd has been picked as the date for cleaning and maintenance of club launch equipment. The work party will be held at the Moscoe residence, 2401 NE 90th Street, Vancouver, WA, from 10 AM – 3 PM. Lunch will be provided by the club for those who help out. Please come and help maintain the equipment that you use all year. The work goes fast if enough people participate.

Member Projects

Tim Ryerse showed off his level two rocket: a yellow 4 inch diameter rocket using motor deployment with very large fins. The rocket was solidly constructed, weighing 6-7 lbs. with no motor.

OROC Club Finances

There was no treasurer's report due to the absence of the treasurer. However, Robert Krausert sent a note saying that \$110 was collected at the July launch in launch fees and new memberships.

Hillsboro Hobbies Build and Fly Event

The weekend prior to the September Sheridan launch Hillsboro Hobbies will be hosting a rocket build and fly event. Check the Oregon Rocketry website as the event approaches for more information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Gary Goncher, Oregon Rocketry Secretary

Please send any additions or corrections to the minutes to garyg_nwr@verizon.net