

Oregon Rocketry May Meeting Minutes

Giovanni's Restaurant, May 7, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Robert Krausert.

Officers present: Robert Krausert, Gary Goncher, and Yvonne Moscoe.

Randy Birzer and J.P. Roberts were connected via a conference link from Eugene.

Wilsonville Memorial Park Model Rocket Launch

The April launch was scrubbed due to high winds, but there is another launch coming up on Sunday, May 10, from 2-5 PM (Mother's Day). A raffle will again be held for young participants, with tickets handed out to those under 18 years old for a chance at a rocket gear tool box with approximately \$35 of materials useful for prepping and launching model rockets. Check the OROC website for more details.

Daybreak School Show & Fly

Daybreak School in Battleground, WA, will be sponsoring a rocket show and fly on Friday, May 29th. Tim Ryerse and Steve Tarr from Oregon Rocketry are coordinating participation, and would like to have some rockets for demonstration. Please contact them for details.

Member Survey Highlights

Member profiles from the e-mail membership survey from January were again presented by Robert Krausert to see who could guess the identities. This month's honorees (victims) were John Gamble, Bob Welsh, John Lyngdal, Joe Bevier, Randy Birzer, and Don Harris.

Brothers Launch May 15-17

The first high power launch of the season will be held in just over a week at the Brothers launch site east of Bend. Friday will be research day; Randy Birzer and Robert Krausert will be there Friday morning for anyone wanting to fly experimental motors. There will be a strict rule of only adults with TRA level 2 certification flying on Friday. Commercial motors only can be flown on Saturday and Sunday. Waivers are already in place for flights to 18,500 ft. AGL with call-in windows to 35,000 ft. – bring your winter projects! There will also be a recovery system showcase event on Saturday evening around 7 PM.

Treasurer's Report

Yvonne Moscoe reported the following financial figures for Oregon Rocketry (totals include the land fund):

\$495	New memberships deposits since the March meeting
\$228.19	Payments since March (Domain name registration, NAR, port-a-potties)
\$5572.33	Total funds

Hillsboro Hobby Build & Fly

George Rachor reported that Hillsboro Hobby would like to sponsor a couple of rocket build & fly events this year. They would like to have some brochures for the Wilsonville model rocket launches to distribute in the store. Tim Ryerse volunteered to supply them. There will also be participation by Hillsboro Hobby in the Hillsboro 4th of July parade, and they would like to have people with rockets be part of the parade. If you would like to participate contact George Rachor.

Portland State Aerospace Society (PSAS) Launch

PSAS will be flying their aluminum rocket at the OROC Brothers launch site. The launch is tentatively scheduled for May 31st, in conjunction with a BORG launch. They plan to fly on an experimental N motor constructed by Peter Ekstrom. This will not be a sanctioned Oregon Rocketry launch, but they will have permission to use the launch site after agreeing to comply with all TRA rules.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Gary Goncher, Oregon Rocketry Secretary

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