August 2024 Meeting Minutes - Northwest Skyraiders (Control Line Model Airplane Club)

Meeting held Friday, August 9, 2024, Noon, at Denny's at 1246 North Central Ave, Kent, WA.

11 members were present including:

- Mike Potter President
- Kris Millard Vice President
- Steven Holt Secretary/Treasurer
- Dave Gardner Safety Officer
- Rodney Claus

- Al Fernandez
- Steve Helmick
- John Leidle
- Randy Ling
- John Lunz
- Jim Schneider

Mike Potter called the meeting to order at 12:50 PM. Old Business:

• Mike Potter provided status of the flying field at Thun Field. Conversations continue to be held with Pierce County officials and updates will be provided at club meetings.

New Business:

- This was the second of the 'daylight' meetings for this season, being a 'lunchtime' session, with the changed meeting schedule to the second FRIDAY of the month! (check your calendars!)
- Steve Holt's gave an overview of the club status, noting our current membership of 28 paid members and financial status and activity for the past month.
- Randy Ling discussed the status of the preparations for the R.F. Stevenson Memorial Raider Roundup Contest to be held on September 6, 7 and 8. The Sanctioning paperwork, insurance and documentation for the airport and the city of Auburn have been completed and submitted. The club decided to pay for sandwiches for lunch on Saturday and thanks to Mike Potter for volunteering to coordinate the providing of the food.
- There was some discussion of 'everyday' flying sites, including Riverview Park, in Kent and Roegner Park in Auburn, along with the potential of summer fun flying activity. There has been substantial flying activity at both Roegner Park and the Riverview Park site in Kent this summer.
- Since Randy Ling brought up the options of talks/demos/seminars as subjects for meeting activity last month and the group selected the topic of Nobler airplanes, several persons brought information and discussed the topic. It seemed well received and the topic of Ringmasters was selected for discussion in September.
- After two meetings at the new day and time, the club has continued to evaluate the benefits and disadvantages of holding meetings on the second Friday of the month at Noon. Some attendees are experiencing difficulties with long commutes during high traffic times that the evening meetings avoided for the most part. For now, we plan on continuing to hold the meetings on the second Friday of the month, with a Noon until 2PM lunch schedule and meeting. Your feedback on this topic is encouraged to help us accommodate the club membership the best we can.
- Important dates for Northwest Skyraiders flyers are as follows:
 - o R. F. Stevenson Raider Roundup Contest, September 7-8
 - o Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon, (RMFAT), or 'Ringathon' October 5-6
 - o Northwest Skyraiders Winter Swap Meet, Saturday, December 7th
- The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM.

The next NWSR Monthly meeting will be held at the Denny's at 1246 North Central Ave, Kent, WA. On Friday, September 13th, 2024 at noon.

As submitted by Steven Holt, Northwest Skyraiders Secretary/Treasurer

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