



Sun Valley Fliers Club Meeting Minutes November 16, 2024

Officers Present: President Frank Moskowitz, Treasurer Oliver Heinen, and Secretary Michael Peck

Board Members Present: Charlie Beverson, Craig Guest, and Jim Sprecker

Meeting Open: President Frank opened the meeting at 8:15 AM at the field. Frank welcomed the members and accompanying family to SVF Family day at the field. Frank also pointed out the three very nice coated steel picnic tables that were donated to the Club by Arthur Gambino. Thank you Arthur!

Guests: None

New Members: None

New Solo Pilots: Geoff Grey and Phillip Meads received their solo certificates. Todd and John were their instructors.

Secretary's Report: Michael Peck –

1. The October Club meeting minutes and Board meeting minutes were available in hard copy for review.
2. The October minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Oliver Heinen –

1. Oliver outlined the starting balance, club income, club expenditures, and the end of month treasury balance. There are presently sufficient funds in our account to operate the club.
2. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Membership Director's Report: Tony Quist -

1. Tony reported that we had 247 members in 2024. The 2025 membership drive has begun and there have been 81 renewals of existing members and 6 new members to date.
2. The membership director's report was approved.

Safety Officer's Report: Kenny Rhoads –

1. Kenny related an incident that occurred recently at the field involving an electric powered model aircraft. The model had been armed with the transmitter on and the pilot went to the bathroom thinking it would only take a short period of time. The time away from the model took longer than anticipated, and the transmitter turned itself off automatically.

Failsafe had not been adequately set for this circumstance, and the model's motor went to full power trying to take off by itself. Fortunately, no one was injured by the model and it did not strike any other models or equipment; only suffering a broken prop. The safety officer reminded everyone that electric powered models can "bite you" more quickly than we think.

2. Do you know how to set failsafe to avoid this kind of an electric powered model incident?

IT Update: Irv Singer –

1. Irv stated the website is stable and there were no updates to make last month.

Old Business:

1. The gravel project on the entry road has been completed to try and alleviate the dust generated when driving on it. It still requires water from the County to set the new rock treatment. Charlie Beverson asked Frank to explore what it will cost to have the County add the chemical treatment used on the canal walking paths to solidify the roadway to make it rock-hard.
2. Tony Quist reported that the Sun Valley Jets event was a complete success with 63 registered pilots. The event generated over \$5,000 in income, but the porta-potty costs still need to be paid when they are known.

New Business:

1. Bob Bayless reminded members of the upcoming Dec 7th Fly 4 Tots event. If you are not able to attend personally, you can still donate a toy, and Bob said you can have Amazon ship him your donation at 17969 N 88th Drive, Peoria, AZ 85382.
2. The date for the SVF swap meet and auction will be December 14, 2024. Swap meet tables are available for purchase, contact President Frank or any Board member.
3. The SVF Winter Warbirds event is scheduled for January 30th- February 1st, 2025. Last year we had 107 registered pilots, and the event will be run again by John Gerhardt.
4. The Warbirds and Classics event is scheduled for March 12th – 16th, 2025.
5. Scot Caraway volunteered to consider trying the newsletter editor job for a 90 day trial period.

Door Prizes: Charlie Beverson suggested we try buying fewer small prizes and purchase a few larger (i.e. more valuable) door prizes to give away, while maintaining the approximate same amount of monthly expense. The idea was well received by most members at the meeting.

50/50 Raffle: The raffle was won by Don Kelley who donated the \$42 back to the Club. Thank you, Don!

Show & Tell: None

Meeting close: Motioned, seconded, and approved to close the meeting at 8:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Peck
SVF Secretary