

Westerville Model Aeronautics Association

Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order by club president Gary Smith at Dinneen Field shelter house. Approximately 23 members were present.

Minutes from the April 2025 meeting were read and approved

The club treasury update was provided by the club treasurer. Bills are current, and the club treasury is in good shape with adequate funds in the checking account and CD accounts. A second CD has been opened to take advantage of current interest rates; both CDs will mature in August 2025.

2025 Field Clean up Day was postponed from the planned May 3 to May 10 due to rain. The event went very well with about 30 members assisting. Projects included runway rolling, and fertilizing, staining the shelter house and storage sheds, mulching and trash clean up and other needed projects at the field. Many thanks to all who were able to assist.

Planning is being finalized for installation of a solar power system at the field to provide power for battery charging. Installation probably happens sometime in May or early June. The system will offer 12 and 24 volt taps for power to battery chargers. Thanks to club member Bob Rankin for spearheading this project.

The WMAA Spring Swap Meet and Fun Fly is planned for Saturday May 17 at Dinneen Field starting at 9am. Come out to buy and sell and get in some flying. Lunch will be available at the grill with the usual gourmet hot dogs and burgers, Chef Jim Hingst will be cooking.

The Cub Scout pack that has worked with the club the past few years to use the field for their end of year recognition ceremony will visit the field on Sunday May 18. They will be using the shelter house from 300 pm until about 730 pm, and will need use of the flying field for some of that time for rocket launch and flight operations. We also are planning to conduct a few RC aircraft demonstration flights for the group during that time.

The Columbus IMAC Challenge will be hosted at Dinneen Filed on Saturday May 24, and may spill over to Sunday May 25 if needed. The field will be closed to general flying during the competition.

Club pylon races and a combat session are planned for Saturday June 7. Chad Rawdon will be organizing the combat session as Greg Knight will be out of town. Plans for the combat session will be announced prior to the event, but are expected to be along a similar format as was used last fall.

An inter club fun fly competition is being organized between WMAA and CORKS club members to be held on Saturday August 2. Details will be announced as they are worked out.

Mike Barbee brought flyers for the upcoming Columbus Scale Classic for distribution. The event will take place Saturday August 16 and Sunday August 17. Mike is planning to host a party at his monster hanger Saturday evening.

New members Dave Erikson and Chad Rawdon introduced themselves and were welcomed to the club.

The next club meeting will be Monday June 9, at 7pm at the Dinneen Field shelter house.

There being no further club business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Dave Dumond

WMAA Secretary