

Westerville Model Aeronautics Association

Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2025

The meeting was called to order by club president Gary Smith at Dinneen Field shelter house. Approximately 25 members were present.

Minutes from the July 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. Two CD accounts open, both have recently been renewed and will mature in January 2026

The solar charging system is up, functioning well and has been getting use by members. It may get some additional tweaks as we see how the usage evolves.

Jean Marie Piednoir reported that the Vintage contest went well with 10 pilots and the club has received a donation from the Vintage Society for hosting the event.

The 2025 Library Day went well on Saturday July 19 at the field with the static model and information display at the Westerville Library on Friday July 18. Both days went well, with good weather at the field. Attendance was slightly lower than hoped, but there was a steady flow of people through the various activities.

The 2025 Inter-Club Shootout was held at Dinneen Field on Saturday August 2, with pilots from WMAA and CORKS hoping to avoid the "WE LOST" trophy. The CORKS team prevailed with an assist from dual club pilots from WMAA, so the trophy will be housed with WMAA for the coming year. We will try to reverse that situation next year.

Mike Barbee discussed the upcoming 13th annual Columbus Scale Classic. Individuals have been identified for most of the needed support roles for the event. Mike Barbee will offer training / refresher sessions on scale competition Tuesday August 12 at the field in the evening for any new club members interested in flying at the event or just learning more about the competition. There will be an additional competition class offered for club members to encourage participation as well as an EDF class. Mike is expecting about 35 pilots for the competition and will also be hosting the party at his Monster Hanger on Saturday at 6:30; all club members are invited. Mike also noted that the Pattern US Championships are being hosted at the AMA facility in Muncie this week.

As a follow up to the WMAA brand merchandise presented at the July meeting, WMAA logo T shirts and a tumbler are available on Amazon for purchase, and T Shirts and a WMAA logo cap are available on Teepublic. Searching either site for "WMAA" will return available products.

Bernie Kruse thanked club members Jeff Douglas and Bob Rankin for the donation of an Apprentice aircraft and DX6 transmitter for use in training new pilots.

Club members were reminded to that the WMAA Fall Swap and Fun Fly is planned for Saturday September 27

New member Drew Rider introduced himself and was welcomed to the club.

The next club meeting will be Monday September 8, at 7pm at the Dinneen Field shelter house.

There being no further club business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Dave Dumond
WMAA Secretary