Monthly Meeting Notes

PCRC Club Meeting on 16 November 2026

Members in attendance: Tom Carney, George Saar, Gene Zagorsky, Cliff Andrea, Lee Konopa, Dan Rodgers, Thomas Bradley, Jason Baker

- **Treasury Summary**
  - Current club balance is: $(to be provided separately)
- **Old Business**
  - No old business topics discussed.
- **New Business**
  - **Fire Extinguisher Replacement**
    - Tom relayed report from Dave on discussions with Virginia Fire Protection Services regarding the club's fire extinguishers.
      - Current extinguishers are very old and likely no longer functional.
      - Proposed replacement costs:
        - Three (3) 5 lb. ABC-rated extinguishers: $210.00 total
        - One (1) 10 lb. extinguisher: $105.00
        - Protective cases: $102.00
        - Annual inspection: $35.00 per year
        - All extinguishers include a six-year warranty and will be rebuilt and recharged after the warranty period.
    - **A motion to proceed with the purchase was approved by the membership, total investment ~$452.00 + applicable taxes and fees.**
    - **A second motion was raised and approved to purchase two (2) smaller Class D extinguishers suitable for extinguishing LiPo battery fires.**
  - **Officer Nominations for 2027**
    - Tom / President.
    - George / Vice President.
    - Jim / Treasurer
    - Gene / Field Marshal.
    - Dave / Safety Officer.
    - A volunteer is still needed for Secretary.
  - **Member Participation**
    - Discussion centered on the need for greater member involvement and volunteer support. The club's continued success depends on active participation from its membership.
    - Members discussed ride-sharing opportunities to club meetings and events. The club is interested in determining whether members would benefit from transportation assistance and identifying volunteers willing to provide rides.

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- Tom will develop a questionnaire to better understand meeting attendance and identify ways to improve participation.
    - Suggestions for increasing attendance included:
    - More technical presentations and show-and-tell sessions.
    - Additional engaging activities during meetings.
    - Publishing a yearly meeting calendar so members can plan ahead.

- **Upcoming Events**
    - **2nd Annual Tim Lowe Memorial Chili Fun Fly**
        - Date: January 2, 2027
        - Time: Noon
        - Reminder: Bring a spoon.
        - Chili will be prepared by George and Tom (maybe also Jason).
        - Bowls will be provided by the club.
    - **Annual Club Banquet**
        - Date: January 23, 2027
        - Time: 6:00 PM
        - Location: Winchester Country Club
        - Guest speaker: Luther Hux, who will present a history of his experiences and activities within the RC community.
- **Discussion Items**
    - Dan announced a raffle item donation for the January banquet: an E-flite/Horizon Hobby Clipped Wing Cub (looks like the plane in our logo).
    - George also plans to donate a Dancing Wings GeeBee model kit for the raffle.
- **Next Meeting:**
    - Monday, December 21 @ 7p at the Holiday Inn Express, Foxridge Lane, Winchester.

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