

SWAP MODELERS FEBRUARY 2018 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Glen Burnie ShopRite store's community room, Pat Murphy president presiding. January's meeting minutes were read and accepted. The treasurer's report was given and also accepted. Bob Pollokoff announced that this year's Maryland Home and Garden show has requested the loan of some airplanes for their theme of "Planes, Trains, and Automobiles". Art Vail showed a sign that he had made for the show promoting our Club. Art said that ticket sales for this year's raffle planes have been good and showed the fliers that he had made for the events.

There was some discussion about the wording of the AMA rules as well as the latest FAA rules and how they affect our Club and its proximity to BWI airport. Members were also advised to avoid flying over I 895 which is to the South end of the Field and to be alert for any full scale aircraft that might come into our area. Greg Gee brought up the point that the "spotter" who is assisting a pilot flying FPV, must be an AMA member. Some of the other rules pertaining to FPV flying were also discussed. It was brought up that although it is not an official Club rule, it is a good idea for anyone flying to use a spotter.

Greg Gee announced that he has purchased a vinyl cutting machine for making paint masks and stencils. He said if anyone is interested he can make masks and stencils for a very reasonable cost.

Art Vail showed the plane that he scratch built around a Telemaster wing that Pat Murphy had given him some time ago. He is calling it the "Wedding Plane" because it fits the criteria of Something old, Something new, Something borrowed, Something blue. He is powering it with a Zenoh G-26 and plans to use it for training.

Pat Murphy has obtained equipment for welding aluminum and is offering to repair parts for Club members.

A 50/50 drawing was held after the meeting. Larry [Dusty] Durtz was the lucky winner and donated the winnings back to the Club treasury.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm, 20 members attending. Next meeting will be on March 19th at 7pm at the Glen Burnie Shop Rite Store's community room.