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TORKS Chapter 2172



TORKS Chapter 625

## TORKS TALK March 2007

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From the President's Hangar by Dave Agee — March 2007

## IMPORTANT BUSINESS!!

### Membership Dues:

As a reminder, your 2007 TORKS dues are to be paid in full prior to the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting in order to retain your membership with TORKS. If you haven't yet sent in your dues, please come prepared before the start of our March 25<sup>th</sup> membership meeting. Dave P. and I will be there early to collect your dues and issue your 2007 membership card.

## Election of officers

We now have candidates for all of the elected positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and the two open Steering Committee members. Thanks to all of you that have stepped up to serve the membership. From now until elections I will be discussing the duties/responsibilities with the candidates that have stepped up as well as anyone who still might be interested in any of the positions. As I understand the bylaws, I am tasked with nominating/recommending members for these positions and presenting them for office at the March meeting. We will be electing officers for the 2007-year at the end of the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## Appointed positions

As mentioned in past newsletters, we are still looking for members interested in serving the membership, especially, the **Orientation Coordinator**. The primary reason new members join an R/C club is to **learn to fly!** Many of you joined TORKS to learn to fly! We do have a number of instructors willing to help new members. What we are looking for is someone that can coordinate the process of new students learning to fly, i.e. hooking them up with instructors, helping them with ground school, being someone to talk to if flight instruction isn't going well with a particular instructor, etc. I believe this individual does not need to be able to instruct himself, but simply be willing to help students get the instruction that they need. The life-blood of any R/C club is new members, without a strong flight training program we will be unable to attract and retain new members.

## Budget Preparation

The first task of the new Officers will be to review the prior years financials, review and determine a schedule of events for the 2007-year, and review and recommend a budget for the 2007-year. Your officers will present these items to the membership at the April meeting.

At the March meeting, I will be asking for your feed back of what you liked and disliked in 2006 as well as any ideas you may have for activities in 2007 that may effect budget planning activities.

## Electronic Newsletter's

As most of you know, we publish the newsletter on the TORKS's website, [www.torks.com](http://www.torks.com). This means that anyone with access to a computer can read and or print a copy of the newsletter. The website is also a major communication source for all members as it also has bullet points as to current events, next meeting time and place, etc as well as major sections such as pictures of our events, Jet Scramble, etc.

Even though we live in the computer age and have this excellent source of information, your Newsletter Editor still prints, folds, and mails out hardcopy newsletters to over 100 people. There is a significant cost to continuing to do this, not to mention the time requirement.

I know some of us, like my Dad, can't even turn on a computer. But, I also know that most everyone, knows someone, like their wife, husband, son, etc. that can access the TORKS website for them, print out a newsletter etc.

I am asking that any member who absolutely cannot access the TORKS website to notify either Randy Thomas or myself. Effective with the April newsletter, only those who have a true need will receive newsletters by mail.

See you Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup> at the Grove City Police Station!!

## Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Sunday February 25, 2007

**Location:** Grove City Police Station

Meeting called to order by Randy Thomas @ 2:02 PM

### **Roll call:**

Taken by Dave P, consisting of:

Regular Members-18

Life Members-01

Family Members-01

Probationary Members-03

Affiliate members

Junior Members-01

Associate Members

### **Treasurer's report:**

Given by Dave P, in good shape.

Community relations, made reports Grove city parks and recreation is received our donations from the Jet scramble.

### **Committee Reports**

Safety Committee – Chuck Elkins

Joe Harless and John Lucko have signed on – need 1 more

1<sup>st</sup> meeting at Dave's house in March, wait for Joe to get back.

**ATTENTION:**

**Next Club Meeting** is on  
Sunday March 25, 2:00 PM  
at  
**Grove City Police Station**



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Orientation Committee – Bob Queen

- Looking for replacement for Bob
- Bob to give a job description!
- Solicit trainers
- Coordinate/Hook up students and trainers
- Standardize training

Field Marshall – Bob Schofield

- Looking for replacement for Bob
- Bob to give a job description!
- Recommend changes needed for flying site
- Coordinate maintenance activities
  - Gravel
  - Mowing
  - Runway
  - Cleanups

Site Retention Committee – Greg Poppel

Not available

Executive Committee

No meeting this period

**New Applications for Membership**

No new applications

**Probationary Members voted to Regular Status**

The following Probationary member was present and had met conditions to be voted to full membership.

Bob Perkins, comments all positive Bob is going to be any very active in great addition to our membership ,the vote was unanimous welcome aboard Bob.

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**Old Business**

2006 Jet Scramble – Terry Nitsch  
Donation to the city - Status

Lease revisions – Dave Agee  
SWACO board approved runway extension.  
Paperwork should be signed in March, pending membership’s approval.

Runway extension quoting – Terry Nitsch not available at this time.

TORKS night at the DOME – Terry Nitsch  
Saturday March 10 – 9:00 PM till Midnight  
Club furnishes drinks  
Pitch in – everyone brings ????

**New Business**

Nomination of Officers 2007  
Election will be at next meeting!!

**President**

Candidates – Dave Agee

**Vice President**

Candidates – Matt Finley

**Secretary**

Candidates – Randy Thomas

**Treasurer**

Candidates – Gary Adain , and David May

**Steering Committee Member (3 year term)**

Candidates – Terry Nitsch

**Steering Committee Member (2 year term)**

Candidates – Neil Smalley

Two other names to be added at the March meeting.

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Note that any regular voting member or any probationary member may run for elected positions. If a probationary member is elected to office, he will immediately be accepted into the club as a regular member without further voting.

**Hurricane Hobbies**

8911 S. Old State Road  
(Drug Mart Plaza at Polaris)  
Lewis Center, Ohio, 43035  
(614) 848 4FUN  
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Appointments for 2007 – Openings

- Field Marshall
- Orientation Committee
- Website Manager
- Newsletter Editor
- Safety committee

Note that all members can apply for these positions.



**From the Floor**

Pattern contest June 2 and 3rd should begin the Friday before, Dewayne is looking for help to make the field ready. Would appreciate volunteers to step forward as soon as possible.



**Upcoming Events**



March 10  
midnight

TORKS night at the DOME

9:00 PM till 12



**March 25  
2:00 PM**

**Next Meeting: GC Police Station**

**Election of officers for 2007**

April 13,14,15

Toledo Show



Motion made to adjourn Chuck Elkins, and Matt Findlay seconded

Meeting Adjourned at 2:26 PM



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