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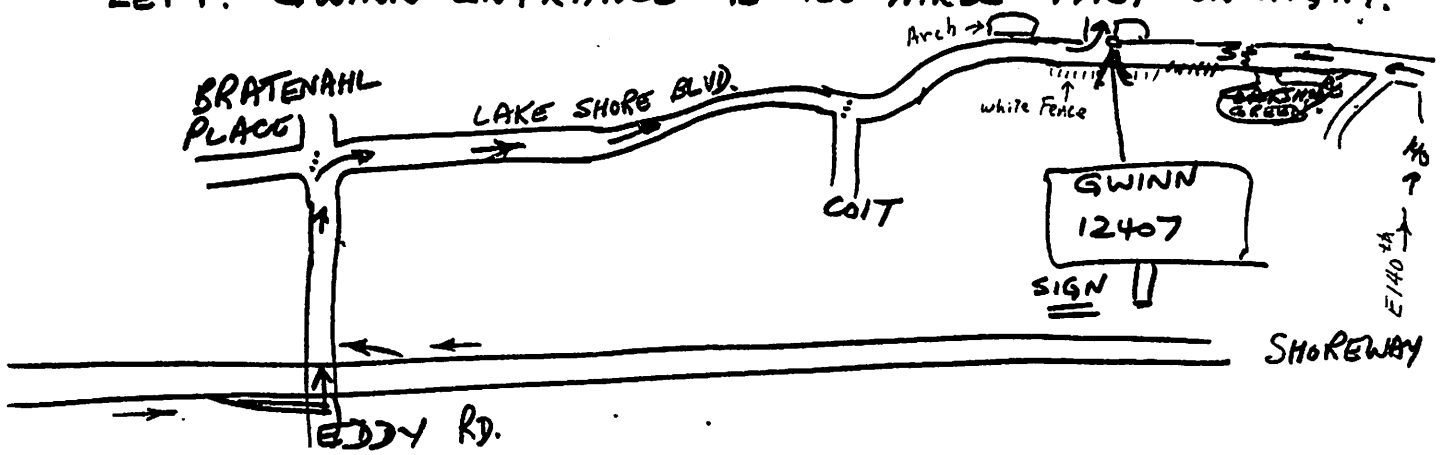
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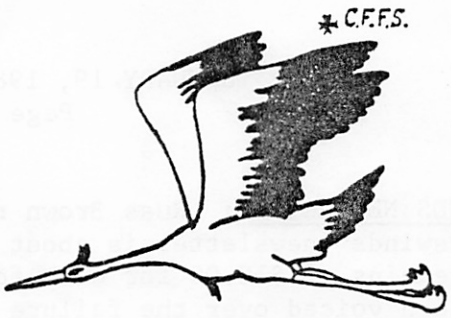
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FROM EAST SIDE. EXIT SHOREWAY AT 140th ST., TURN RT. ON 140th, GO TO LIGHT. TURN LEFT. KEEP ON LAKESHORE APPROX 1 MILE. LOOK FOR OAKSHORE GREEN ESTATE ON LEFT. THEN THERE WILL BE A STRETCH OF WHITE FENCING ON LEFT. GWINN ENTRANCE IS 100 YARDS PAST ON RIGHT.







THE CLEVELAND FREE FLIGHT SOCIETY
CLUB MEETING MINUTES
January 19, 1986

The January 19, 1986 meeting of the Cleveland Free Flight Society was at the home of Dennis and Linda Norman and was attended by Del Balunek, Joe Brichacek, Russ Brown, Pat Cameron, Al Kretz, Larry Loucka, Andy Medovitch, Larry Mzik, Dennis Norman, Dave Pishnery, Gordon Roberts, Mark Schneider, Chuck Slusarczyk, Don Slusarczyk, Dick Woodward, Scott Woodward and Mike Zand.

(1) . MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 17, 1985 MEETING: The meeting began with Mike Zand's reading of the Minutes of the November 17, 1985 club meeting in which it was noted that Dennis Norman was elected President of the Cleveland Free Flight Society for 1986, Mike Zand was re-elected as the club's Secretary-Treasurer, and Russ Brown was elected to continue as the Editor and distributor of the club's "Crosswinds" newsletter.

(2) OFFICERS REPORTS:

(a) PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Dennis Norman reported a request for red and black, checkered Japanese tissue from Dennis Wann of Bryan, Ohio who is building a 45 inch span replica of Ed Lamb's 1941 Open Class stick winner. Anyone having red and black, checkered tissue was asked to contact Dennis Wann at 722 West Bryan St., Bryan, Ohio 44306 to help him with his project.

Dennis Norman proposed the creation of several committees for the purpose of better organizing and structuring the club's activities. Among the committees suggested were those to deal with educating new members; presenting the work of our membership at the Randall Mall Show; a committee to gather and organize information on tools, materials and techniques into usable notebook form for the club membership; and also, a committee to deal with teaching interested club members techniques in the design and construction of free flight (scale) aircraft.

(b) SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT: Mike Zand reported that the club's treasury now stands at $1,590.51 consisting of $21.68 in cash and $1,568.83 in a passbook savings account at the Central National Bank office in Independence, Ohio. Club membership dues remain at $6.00 per year and Mike reported receiving payment for twelve (12) 1986 memberships to date.

(c) EDITOR'S REPORT - CROSSWINDS NEWSLETTER: Russ Brown reported that the next edition of the "Crosswinds" newsletter is about to be mailed. The cost for the newsletter remains at $10.00 for each four (4) issues received. There was some concern voiced over the failure to publish the newsletter on a regular, quarterly basis; but, Russ assured everyone that those paying for the newsletter have received consecutively numbered copies even though they have come at infrequent intervals. Present circulation of the newsletter stands at approximately 400; but, it was noted, that many of those receiving "Crosswinds" are not paying for it. This arrangement has been satisfactory in the past only because the publishing and mailing costs for the newsletter were being paid for by TRW; but, with the reorganization of the company, publishing costs have now fallen on the club itself. Mailing costs are still being taken care of by TRW, but there is concern that this assistance may also be lost in the near future. Because of this, it is felt that an effort will have to be made to reduce costs by eliminating distribution of the club's newsletter to persons who are not paying for it.

A key to increasing the numbers of dues-paying subscribers would be a return to a regular publication of the "Crosswinds" newsletter and efforts must be made to assist Russ with the gathering and preparing of suitable materials for the newsletter.

(3) COMMITTEE REPORTS: As committees were newly formed at the January 19, 1986 meeting, there are no committee reports as such to be presented at this time; but rather a brief statement of the nature and purpose of each committee, together with the club members appointed to those committees, will be presented as follows:

(a) EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Larry Mzik and Larry Loucka initiated a discussion of the club's responsibility for educating the public at large, potential new modelers, and actual new club members to the basics of free flight model airplane construction and flight. Mzik noted that persons such as Earl VanGorder have been very active in acquainting the public with model aviation and in making available simple projects to introduce potential new model builders to the construction and flying of free flight models. Both Mzik and Loucka felt strongly that C.F.F.S. should also become involved in efforts of this type.

Dennis Norman mentioned that an excellent series of articles "For Teachers Only" by Ray Roberts has been appearing in the last several issues of Model Builder Magazine and Dennis offered to provide copies of these articles for the reference of anyone interested in them. Dennis further proposed the creation of an education committee. Members of this committee are as follows: 1) Larry Mzik, Chairman; 2) Chuck Slusarczyk; 3) Larry Loucka; 4) Dennis Norman.

This committee will be called to separate meetings as agreed upon by its members with Larry Mzik to schedule those meetings and organize the committee's activites which will then be reported to the club membership at our regular meetings.

(b) RANDALL MALL COMMITTEE: Preparations for the Randall Mall Show are continuing and will require the active participation of as many club members as possible. C.F.F.S.'s participation in Randall Mall is being led by Russ Brown who advises that the free flight category was the only one to hold its own in terms of the number of models entered at Randall Mall during its 1985 show. All other categories experienced significant reduction in the number of models entered and there is some concern that this may reflect a decreasing interest either in the hobby or in participating in static shows of this type. Russ reports that the final pre-show organization meeting on Randall Mall will be held at Burke Lakefront Airport at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 24, 1986. Any member wishing to attend this meeting with Russ should contact him as soon as possible.

The members of the 1986 Randall Mall Committee are: 1) Russ Brown, Chairman; 2) Andy Medovitch; 3) Gordon Roberts; 4) Dick Woodward; 5) Mike Zand.

The official flyer for the 35th National Model Plane Show was distributed to the members in attendance at the January 19, 1986 meeting as was a copy of the new one-page flyer regarding C.F.F.S. which is to be distributed at the Randall Mall Show and at such other locations as may be appropriate.

(c) BUILDER'S NOTEBOOK COMMITTEE: Dennis Norman observed that there have been a number of excellent articles on tools, materials and techniques published in various model magazines over the years and he moved that a committee be created to locate these articles and to copy them with the intention of creating builder's notebooks available for club members. This met with general approval and a Builder's Notebook Committee was created, consisting of the following members: 1) Dennis Norman, Chairman; 2) Del Balunek; 3) Russ Brown; 4) Gordon Roberts.

Again, the Builder's Notebook Committee will be called to meet separately at such time as are mutually convenient. Dennis Norman will initiate these meetings and will report on the committee's activity to the general club membership at our regular meetings. Again, the goal of this committee will be to gather useful articles on tools, materials, and techniques for the design and building of free flight (scale) subjects and all club members are encouraged to contribute such materials of this type that they may have so as to benefit all of our membership. Contributions should be mailed to Dennis O. Norman, 11216 Lake Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44102.

(d) DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE: Dennis Norman offered to lead a committee whose purpose will be to explore the design, construction, and detailing of rubber-powered scale models of unusual subject which have, in the past, been regarded as being "impossible" or nearly

so as far as rubber-powered free flight scale was concerned. The committee will intentionally undertake the risk of working on subjects which may indeed prove unsuccessful as rubber-powered free flight scale subjects; but, in doing so, will explore methods of design, construction and detailing which will hopefully enhance the performance and appearance of more conventional subjects undertaken by committee members individually.

Members of the Design & Construction Committee are as follows: 1) Dennis Norman, Chairman; 2) Del Balunek; 3) Al Kretz; 4) Larry Mzik; 5) Mark Schneider; and, 6) Dick Woodward.

It is to be understood that the committee is to be by no means exclusive and that other club members are welcome to join the committee or to simply attend the committee's building sessions.

The committee's first effort will be the design and construction of a ½-inch scale (1:24) model of a Boeing B-17G "Flying Fortress." This model will be constructed with the intention of flying it at the 1986 Flying Aces Nationals to be held on July 18, 19, and 20, 1986 at Geneseo, New York. Insofar as we are aware, no successful rubber-powered scale model of a B-17 has ever been flown. It is anticipated that this model will give the committee experience in the construction of a subject using Norman's "strip former" technique of constructing the fuselage nacelles over waxed balsa molds and also in the use of the "cracked rib" technique for the construction of the flying surfaces. Norman will also demonstrate his techniques for interior detailing, carving crew figures, covering, painting, etc. Tentative plans call for completion of the basic uncovered airframe in time for display at the Randall Mall Show. A finished model will be covered in silver tissue and will bear the red, white and black markings of a B-17G of the 381st Bombardment Group of the U.S. 8th Air Force as flown from southern England in 1944. Norman intends, with the help of Russ Brown, to photodocument the construction of the B-17 for the purpose of ultimately creating an article (and perhaps a small book) on this particular subject both as a permanent record of the tools, materials and techniques involved and also as a tribute to the efforts of the C.F.F.S. members who made the project a reality. Those contributing to the construction of the B-17 will be honored with the placement of their names at crew positions on the model.

The first meeting of the Design & Construction Committee was set for 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 25, 1986 at Dennis Norman's home. It is anticipated that the committee will meet at least once a week, probably on Saturday, for the next few months as agreed upon. The committee sessions will be approximately 3 hours in length with members to continue on construction assignments in the intervals between committee meetings. The committee's progress will, of course, be reported to the club members at our regular meetings.

(4) NEW BUSINESS: Discussion was had of the dates and locations for the club's meetings for the next six months. It was agreed that the club's next several meetings will be as follows:

DATE	TIME	PLACE
February 9, 1986	7:30 P.M.	Gordon & Helen Roberts 12407 Lakeshore Blvd. Bratenahl, OH (216) 541-1407
April 13, 1986	7:30 P.M.	Russ & Nancy Brown 409 North Sedgewick Lyndhurst, OH (216) 382-4821
May 11, 1986	7:30 P.M. (tentative)	Chuck Slusarczyk (to be announced)
July, 1986 (to be announced)		Del & Clara Balunek (to be announced)

Mike Zand raised the question of making something other than trophies, kits and materials available as prizes for contest winners. He specifically suggested trying coupon books as an experiment. Some mention was also made of offering "movie money" tickets. These items would not be specifically awarded as prizes, but would be available to event winners as an alternative to accepting a trophy, a kit or modeling supplies. The club was in agreement with this and Mike will obtain ten (10) coupon books at cost for the club to try as an experiment. Mike also noted that there are still some CO_2 motors remaining as potential prizes. These will be offered as prizes for selected events in upcoming contests, but Mike also obtained club approval to award CO_2 motors as potential prizes for winners of general events. The concern being to distribute CO_2 motors as widely and as rapidly as possible so as to encourage the construction of CO_2 powered subjects.

Mike Zand also reminded us that a third annual C.F.F.S. indoor meet will be held at the Brook Park Armory, 6225 Engle Rd., Brookpark, Ohio from 5:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 16, 1986. The events will include EZB, Scraps and Mikes, Jetco Rog, No-Cal Scale, FAC Peanut Scale, and WWI Biplane Peanut Combat.

It was noted that the Erie Model Aircraft Association will be holding its annual spring indoor contest in Edinboro, Pa. on April 27, 1986. Further information on this popular contest is expected shortly.

Chuck Slusarczyk advised that the gymnasium of St. John Cantius Church, 906 College Ave., in Cleveland, Ohio may soon be available to C.F.F.S. as an indoor contest site. The gymnasium is large with a smooth ceiling and may be available for our use at a fee of $100 to $125 per day. Chuck is exploring this with the authorities at the church and will report to us on the availability of this facility at our upcoming club meetings.

(5) ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Michael C. Zand, Secretary-Treasurer.

Dennis O. Norman, President
CLEVELAND FREE FLIGHT SOCIETY

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MEETING: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1986 at 7:30 P.M.

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