



MEETING MINUTES AND NEWSLETTER

September 3rd, 2025

A few notes to the club

There was a Celebration of Life for Tom White's wife Tressa on September 20th. Tom and Tressa were married for 67 years. Tressa was very supportive of Tom's flying and even made a regular contribution of \$50 per month to their bank account specifically for RC flying expenses. Tom's family has shared his passion for flying. Tressa made it out to the flying field a few times to watch. Our condolences to Tom and family.

Roland McConnell, AKA "Skip," is out of the hospital and at home now. He is doing better every day, but as you might imagine still in recovery mode. Thanks to everyone who assisted with the Skip's emergency. We hope to see Skip back at the field and joining us at our meetings soon.

The recent emergency event at the Reno RC Club airfield during the open house has increased the importance of having emergency contacts for all club members. Our website has the capability to list emergency contacts for everyone. Please login and enter an emergency contact.

Prior to the regular meeting, the Reno RC Club organizing team had a short meeting to finalize the details for the open house. Dan, Mark, Duane, Randy and Logan (from RSIC) finalized the planning of the event. Thanks to the organizing group and all the club members for making the event a great success. For more details on the event please see the write-up in the newsletter section of our website.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM, 1900 hrs. 19 members present (quorum is 25% membership).

Minutes of the last meeting were approved without exception.

Guests/new members – no new members or guests

Opening remarks – Club President Mark Carey welcomed Ray English back after Ray's accident and brief stay in the hospital. Mark went over the preparations that had been made for the open house and encouraged everyone to assist with preparing the field and make plans to attend the event.

OFFICER REPORTS

Safety – Gene – no comments.

Activities - Jake invited the club to the Fun Fly on September 13.

Secretary - Randy – no comments.

Finance - Duane – Duane gave the standard finance report. For a complete report please see Duane.

Josh mentioned that he completed the adoption process for his niece and nephew and hoped to have more time now to participate with the club.

There was a discussion on pylon style races in the future. More details to follow.

NEW BUSINESS

Rod Chase brought up the possibility of making some improvements at the airfield including the painting of poles and adding a flag with the club logo at the field. Other ideas were discussed with further discussion in the future.

Ray English presented the club with \$340 from the sales of old club stuff. Thank you Ray!

SHOW AND TELL

Ray showed the club members a project aircraft he started way back in 1989. Long ago he started work on a British Spitfire Mark 9. The project was stalled for a while, then six years ago, Ray made a deal with a friend. Ray's friend was an accomplished model aircraft builder that borrowed some funds from Ray and then had a stroke. Ray made a deal with his friend for him to finish the Spitfire in lieu of a payback of the loan. The friend had moved to Missouri, so Ray shipped

the WWII fighter. When the aircraft was complete Ray had a friend haul the 1/5th scale Spitfire back to Ray. The friend did a fantastic level of detail. The cockpit is especially notable for the full complement of instruments and dials. The pilot is also very detailed. The rivets stand out as does oil smudging on the wings and near the engine. Ray has some work to complete to get the aircraft in the air, but it certainly is a great looking airplane.



Ray and the Spitfire



Spitfire cockpit detail

Meeting adjourned 7:28 pm