

Pioneer Valley Radio Control Club



Tail Spinner News



August 2016

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday,
September 21, 2016
Pochassic Road Field
6:30 PM

Agenda
Nominations for Club
Officers

Treasurer's Report

Bank Statement as of 7/31/2016

Checking - \$6285.91

2010 Club Membership	-	84
2011 Club Membership	-	90
2012 Club Membership	-	95
2013 Club Membership	-	80
2014 Club Membership	-	82
2015 Club Membership	-	71
2016 Club Membership		65

From the Prez

Well, we have a couple of bits of news here. First, in case you haven't heard, the FAA and AMA have clarified the 400' rule for model aircraft. Operations above 400' are permitted if flown within the AMA regulations. It is the R/C pilot's responsibility to see and avoid all full scale aircraft. For more info see the AMA document 540-D (See and Avoid). Although we don't get many low flying planes over the field, due to our proximity to Barnes airport a spotter should be used for all planned flights over 400'. So until we hear anything new from the AMA, the only real change for us since 2012 is the FAA registration on the planes.

Second, this will be my last "From the Prez". I had been planning to resign at the end of the year but I really need to take an early retirement.

Roger Dionne has agreed to take over the president's position. As you know Roger is also the vice president and treasurer, so I think we may be asking a bit much of Roger, but hopefully we can find him some help at election time.

I've been president for ten years but my enthusiasm for the job hasn't been there lately due to personal reasons, so I think it's in everybody's best interest that I step aside now and give someone else a chance at it.

If I try to thank everybody who's helped me over the years it would take another full page so I'm just going to say Thank You to all. You know who you are anyways. (I know the list would have at least a couple of Bob's on it though...)

That's it,

Take Care, Fly Safe, see you at the field
Bill