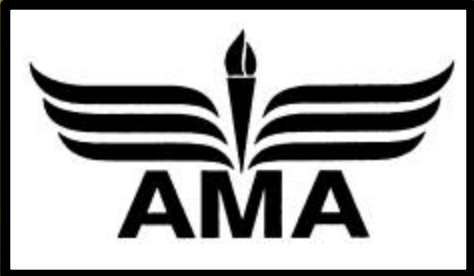


# The Temple Aero Modeler

The Official Newsletter of the Temple Aero Modelers Radio Controlled Aircraft Club.  
August 2002



This month's meeting will be held  
**Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>** at  
**7:30pm** at the  
**Ronald McDonald House Meeting Room** in Temple.



**Poker Fly-In  
September  
15<sup>th</sup>**

# Club Info

**Combat  
August 25<sup>th</sup>  
Fall Picnic/  
Combat  
September 29<sup>th</sup>**

## 2002 Officers

President: Frank Sodek Jr.  
773-8081  
Vice-pres/Sec: Don Mondrik  
939-1242  
Treasurer: Buster Hinkle  
982-4746  
Safety Officer: Bobby Zikes  
773-3773  
Field Marshal: John Rovetto  
939-5659

## Instructors

B.W. Ponder 778-6182  
Frank Sodek Jr. 773-8081  
Mark Cullison 773-9686  
Bobby Zikes 773-3773  
Fred Huber 690-5025



If you need help learning to fly, please contact one of the instructors listed above.

## District 8 Events

(This is not a complete list)

Aug 31-1 B/CS IMAC Challenge Brazos Valley R/C Modelers, Bryan, TX  
Aug 31-1 Labor Day Combat, Tri City Flyers, Kingsbury, TX  
Sep 2 Muscular Dystrophy Air Show, Fort Bend RC, Rosenberg, TX  
Sep 7-8 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Don McKinney Float Fly, Big Spring Model Aircraft Assoc., Big Spring, TX  
Sep 8 SCRC Cross Country Fly-In, Space City RC Club, Katy, TX

### ON THE COVER

John Redwine displays his cheap (\$25) SPAD (Simple Plastic Airplane Design) he bought from the Waco Hobby Stop. These make fine Combat planes. Now if only we could talk John into a round or two!!!

Photograph by Mark Cullison

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## Temple Event Schedule

Aug 25	Combat
Sep 15	Poker Fly In
Sep 29	Fall Picnic/Combat
Oct 6	Fall Fun Fly
Oct 20	Combat
Oct 23	Last Beginner's Night
Nov 10	Combat
Dec 1	Santa Pal/Ronald McDonald Fly In
Dec 9	Christmas Banquet/Elections

## District 8 Events

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Sep 6-8 **20<sup>th</sup> Greater Southwest Jet Rally, HOTMAC, Waco TX**  
Sep 14 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Brazos Valley RC Fun-Fly, Brazos Valley RC, Bryan, TX  
Sep 14 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Poker Run Fun-Fly & Swap Meet, Texas City RC Club, Texas City, TX  
Sep 14-15 Annual Fall Big Bird, Austin Radio Control Assoc., Austin, TX  
Sep 14-15 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Dallas Pattern Classic, North Dallas RC Club, Frisco, TX  
Sep 14-15 Calling the Hogs, Hi Sky R/C Club, Midland, TX  
Sep 20-22 16<sup>th</sup> Southern Rotary Classic & 2<sup>nd</sup> Scale Heli Masters, North East Texas RC Club, Mount Pleasant, TX  
Sep 21 Float Fly, North Dallas R/C Club, The Colony, TX  
Sep 21 Small Steps, Dallas R/C Club, Seagoville, TX  
Sep 20-22 **Bomber Field Annual B-17 & Big Bird Gathering, Bomber Field, Monaville, TX**  
Sep 27-29 High Plains Championship (Pattern), Wings Miniature Aircraft Club, Lubbock, TX  
Sep 27-29 Brazoria County Fall Big Bird, Brazoria County Modelers Assoc., Oyster Creek, TX  
Sep 28 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual GSW All Scale Fly-In, Greater Southwest RC Club, Fort Worth, TX  
Sep 28-29 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Jetero IMAA/AMA Big Bird Fly-In, Jetero R/C Club, Huffman, TX

On the web at:

<http://www.Templeaeromodelers.athome.to>  
or  
<http://pages.prodigy.net/bischulz/aero.html>

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## President's Report

by *Frank Sodek*

Greetings from your club President. I hope you've all had a chance to get out and enjoy the really hot and miserable flying conditions we've had lately. We should all be standing in the lake this time of year, flying on floats! It won't be long now before it starts cooling off, but the penalty is that the days are now getting shorter on us.

We had a huge turnout of club members at the last meeting to participate in the disposition of Dennis Torline's RC items. The "raffle" sale went very well, with all of the items being sold for the price that B.W., Mark and I had set. Bernie Torline should be pleased with the check that B.W. delivered to her, especially since we made it very easy for her to dispose of Dennis's items without any hassle or effort on her part. I'd like to thank all of the club members who participated in the sale, and special thanks to B.W. and Mark for hauling, storing, preparing and documenting the items for sale. If you happened to acquire an item that you don't really need (that was lumped together with something you really wanted), then give a description and price of the item to Mark – he'll run it in the next newsletter for free.

Wednesday evening training sessions are still going strong. Don't forget that you can come out on Wednesday evenings with your trainer and receive flying assistance without need for prior arrangement with an instructor.

We'll be making plans for the upcoming Poker Fly-In (to be held on September 15<sup>th</sup>) and Fall Picnic (September 29<sup>th</sup>) at this next meeting, so please attend and help us plan for some upcoming flying fun!

See you at the flying field,

*Frank Sodek*

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## Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance	<u>\$5,278.37</u>
Deposits	
Total Deposits:	50.00
Debits	
Total Debits:	(0.00)
Balance July 2002	<u>\$5,328.37</u>

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*  
Club Treasurer

## Secretary's Notes

The July meeting of the Temple Aero Modelers club was called to order by club President Frank Sodek Jr., at 7:30 pm at the Ronald McDonald House meeting room in Temple. Frank welcomed Raymond Cafery and Lance and Ben Starzyk to the meeting.

Don Mondrik the Secretary / Vice President read the minutes from the May meeting and a motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Fred Huber and seconded by Buster Hinkle. No changes were needed for the minutes.

Buster Hinkle presented the Treasurer's report to the meeting. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by John Redwine and seconded by Paul Horan.

### **Old Business:**

- a. **Field Maintenance** John Rovetto, his grandson Tony and David Laster have been mowing at the field along with John Redwine and Travis Berry.
- b. **Club Shirts** Steve Sander took care of getting the club shirts. We now have new shirts for sale. The Tee shirts are \$9.00 each and the Polo style shirts are \$17.00 each. Contact Don Mondrik for shirts and hats.
- c. **Dennis Torline's RC items** The auctioning off of Dennis Torline's RC items will be held at the end of the meeting. Each item will have a number and interested members will put their name in a cup marked with the same number. Names will be drawn and the member may purchase or pass on that item.

### **New Business:**

- a. **Mower Expenses** John Redwine made a motion that members should be reimbursed for mower maintenance. It has always been a practice to reimburse members for club expenses but the members have to submit receipts. Hopefully the members that have spent money on mowing or any other items purchased for the good of the club will turn in receipts.
- b. **Buy a Brick** A motion to buy a brick at the AMA headquarters in memory of Dennis Torline was made by John Rovetto and seconded by Fred Huber. The vote passed by majority of members present. Frank Sodek will look into the idea.
- c. **Club Librarian** Don Mondrik made a motion to

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create a Club Librarian to be in charge of the video library that belongs to the club. Before any action was taken Fred Huber volunteered for the job.

- d. **Solo Pilot** Tony Rovetto has made his solo flight, congratulations Tony!

## Comments & Announcements:

- a. **NATS Report** B. W. Ponder reported on the Nation Pattern Contest he and Todd Blose recently attended. BW snagged 11<sup>th</sup> place in Masters Class, while Todd placed 9<sup>th</sup> in the FAI class.
- b. **Oshkosh Report** Paul Milton reported on his trip to Oshkosh. They had lots of planes and beautiful weather.
- c. **Brazos Valley Big Bird** Fred Huber and Travis Berry gave a report on attending the Brazos Valley Big Bird. There were 20 to 25 pilots and about 35 planes at the event.

## Blunder Awards:

1. Paul Horan - Paul was helping Jimmy Prescott and put the plane into a tree.
2. Travis Berry – Travis was flying his Cessna and crashed as a result of a dead battery.
3. Bill Hamby - Bill was flying his Coroplast trainer and crashed it.
4. Mark Cullison - Mark damaged his small Gee Bee during a dead stick landing.
5. Fred Huber - Fred cartwheeled his triplane during a dead stick landing
6. Bobby Zikes - Bobby was flying David Laster's Ultimate and landed it dead stick in the weeds.
7. Dean Higginbotham - Dean ripped the landing gear off his Ultra Stick.

Travis Berry won the Blunder Award.

**Program – sale of Dennis Torline's RC gear** All of the items for sale were sold. The club will write a check to Mrs. Torline for the amount collected from the sale.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Don Mondrik  
V.P./Secretary  
czechtek@aol.com

## Safety Report

Our grass burr problem is back with a vengeance, so everybody be careful where you put your hands and knees in the pit area. Also, new club members, please be aware of the fact that in past summers, we have found a few black widow spiders in the storage building, so use caution when getting in there.

Congratulations to all of our pilots-in-training who have soloed! Now the fun really starts. That brings me to the main point I want to make to all of our more experienced pilots this month, especially to those who've had a hand in training any new pilots. We're going to be role models of sorts to our new crop of pilots, whether we want to or not. We're being watched. That means our particular flying style might wind up getting copied to some degree. So if we enjoy making high speed passes directly over the runway or low altitude aerobatics of any sort on a busy Sunday afternoon, then there might be a pilot at the flight station with very little solo time right next to us attempting to do the same thing. In that case, I will be found back in the pit area-- way back in the pit area!

Submitted by *Bobby Zikes*  
Safety Officer

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## Hint & Tip - Wax Paper

A wad of crumpled wax paper comes in handy when covering your model. When your iron starts to get sticky from the glue, or the colors start to transfer, clean the iron with the wax paper and then wipe the excess wax off with a clean rag. The slick surface will make the job a lot easier.

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