

# The Temple Aero Modeler

The Official Newsletter of the Temple Aero Modelers Radio Controlled Aircraft Club.  
August 2007



This month's meeting will be held Monday, August 27th at 7:30pm at the Ronald McDonald House Meeting Room in Temple.



*Club Meeting –  
August 27<sup>th</sup>*

# CLUB INFO

*3-Club Combat  
September 9<sup>th</sup>  
at the Bryan  
Field*

## 2007 Officers

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## On The Cover

Foreground - The Temple Air Force at the Brazos Valley Radio Control Modelers' Big Bird Fly-In. Airplanes were brought by John Cobb, Charles Harris and Mark Cullison. (The big 1/3<sup>rd</sup> scale Fokker flying in the background is not from Temple!) Lance and Tamara Starzyk were also in attendance.

Photo by Mark Cullison

## Temple Event Schedule

>>>>NOTE: All Temple field events are cancelled due to high water until further notice <<<<

Aug 27	Club Meeting 7:30pm
<b>Sep 9</b>	<b>3-Club Combat @ Bryan</b>
Sep 24	Club Meeting 7:30pm
Sep 30	Fall Picnic/Last Combat 1pm
Oct 7	Fall Fun Fly 1pm
Oct 21	Poker Fly 10am
Oct 24	Last Beginners' Night 5:30pm
Oct 29	Club Meeting 7:30pm
Nov 26	Club Meeting 7:30pm
Dec 2	Don Cullison Memorial Christmas Toy Drive/Fly-In
Dec 10	Christmas Banquet/Officer Elections

## District VIII Events

(This is not a complete list!)

Sep 1	GSAM Warbird Fly-In, Ft Worth, TX
Sep 1-2	Prop Nuts Heli Fun-Fly, Crosby, TX
<b>Sep 7-9</b>	<b>Greater Southwest Jet Rally, Waco, TX</b>
Sep 8	Golden Era Classic Fly-In, Grand Prairie, TX
Sep 8-9	Don McKinney Float-Fly, Big Spring, TX
<b>Sep 14-16 B-17 Gathering, Monaville, TX</b>	
Sep 15	North Dallas Float Fly, Frisco, TX
Sep 15-16	Callin' of the Hogs Fly-In, Midland, TX
Sep 21-23	Southern Rotary Classic, Mt Pleasant, TX
<b>Sep 21-23 Fall Big Bird Fly-In, Austin, TX</b>	
Sep 22	Alvin RC Bi-Plane Fly-In, Alvin, TX
Sep 22-23	24 <sup>th</sup> NDRCC Pattern Classic, Aubrey, TX
Sep 29	Big Bird Fly-In, Ft Worth, TX
Sep 29	Big Bird Fly-In, Tyler, TX
Sep 29-30	DEAF 21, Seagoville, TX

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## President's Report



Well another month has gone by, and Lake Belton still has our access road. At the time of writing this, the lake level was at 625, but dropping fairly consistently now. I anticipate we should be able to regain access to our field by

October at the latest.

Recently Frank Sodek and I went on a kayaking trip through the flooded areas of McGregor Park and our field. It was interesting to be able to paddle through the tree tops. We tried to find familiar land marks such as the street light post by the boat ramp; it was nowhere to be found.

In the meantime, some of us have been flying pretty regularly in Waco. A lot of flying and hanging out with Waco guys is the call of day. I have been bringing my portable BBQ and we had some sausage wraps and hot dogs. I know everyone enjoyed the food, including the Waco guys.

Bobby Zikes and I have been getting in some RC skydiving. Some of our guys have been trying out some new aircraft as well.

The club trainer has been returned and is in great shape. The family that was using it was extremely appreciative of its use and thanked the club for the opportunity to use it and take care of it. Its return may be a good thing but with it also presents a problem. We now need someone to be the caretaker and guardian of the trainer. I can not take on this responsibility nor do I want to, I haven't the space or the time.

The club trainer was certainly a good idea, the immediate need is questionable, and the problem has always been of the reluctance for anyone to be the caretaker and guardian of the plane.

The only place I can store the trainer would be in my attic, and I'm afraid this would certainly ruin the plane. I will be bringing the trainer to the meeting on August 27 and I am hopeful that someone will take possession of it. In the event that no one steps up and takes on the job, I will make the proposal to sell the trainer.

Not much more to write about, if you haven't been up to Waco to fly, you are missing out. The field and facilities in Waco are great and their members have been real helpful and friendly. We have been going up there every Sunday afternoon and I can see that we will be making several more trips up there.

Hope to see you at the meeting and don't forget about our Monthly Club Meeting Raffle, see the newsletter notice for more information.

Respectfully submitted,

*Doug Staines*  
President

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## Meeting Minutes

**Monday, July 30, 2007**

Called to order by President Doug Staines at 7:30pm

New Members/Visitors None present.

Minutes from the meeting held in June were read by Doug Staines; motion to accept minutes as read was made by Frank Sodek and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Huber.

Treasurer's Report was read by Buster Hinkle, Treasurer; motion to accept Treasurer's Report was made by Randy Mennen and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Huber.

### Old Business

Field Maintenance mower has been repaired, once access to the field has resumed the other mower will be taken in for servicing.

Airstrip Re-Sealing postponed due to flooding, possible reschedule in the spring.

Storage Building postponed due to flooding, possibility exists to obtain permission from Corp of Engineers to build a new storage facility instead of using portable structure, Doug Staines will pursue this at a later date, once Lake Belton is back to normal levels and the Corp is less occupied.

Safety Report none given

### New Business

Waco Field Doug Staines gave a report on the use of the Field in Waco by any of our members during the time that our field is closed.

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**Blunder Award Rules** discussion in regards to clarifying the rules of choosing candidates for the monthly Blunder awards; specifically, does it apply to all flying with the exception of combat, or, all flying at our field only, and excluding combat, sanctioned events at our field and other fields; a vote was taken which ended in a draw; no further action was taken; the rule will stand 'any flying with the exception of combat'; a vote will be taken at the annual Christmas Party/Meeting.

**Secretary Position** this position was vacated by Steve Sanders; Doug Staines asked for volunteers for the position, with Randy Mennen offering to try the position out on a trial basis.

**Thank You Card** Doug Staines read the Thank You card he received on behalf of the Club from the Family of late Collins Janeway.

**Blunder Awards** Several candidates were nominated as follows:

- Paul Horan: crashing his Ultra Stik
- Charles Harris: reversed ailerons crashing his plane during its maiden flight
- John Cobb: crashing his Giant scale Extra while flying inverted
- Mark Cullison: cut finger in propeller.

Charles Harris was voted this month's winner.

**Trip Reports**

Waco War Birds, report given by Doug Staines  
 Bryan Big Bird; report given by Mark Cullison

**Monthly Club Raffle** \$93 worth of RC related products was raffled with several winners; see the newsletter notice for outline.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

Minutes recorded by *Larry Macie*/Acting Secretary  
 Submitted by *Doug Staines*/President

**Treasurer's Report**



Beginning Balance	<u>\$5,559.02</u>
Dues.....	20.00
Fun Fly.....	190.00
Monthly Meeting Raffle.....	83.00
Total Deposits:	293.00
Debits:	
Ronald McDonald.....	20.00
Waco Hobby Stop (meeting raffle).....	93.00
Randy Mennen (sausage, etc.).....	76.81
Randy Mennen (mower fuel).....	12.79
Empire Seed (bermuda grass seed).....	129.50
Heartfield Florist.....	36.81
Fred Huber (mower fuel).....	31.76
Total Debits:	(400.67)
Balance July 2007	<u>\$5,451.35</u>

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*  
 Treasurer

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**The Club Trainer Has Returned**

We need a volunteer to become the custodian of the .60 size club trainer. The person will be responsible for maintaining and bringing the plane and radio to the flying field every Wednesday evening for Beginners' Night (once we can get to the field again!)

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## Dean Stroud

January 24, 1959 - August 5, 2007



Funeral services for Dean Stroud, 48, of Temple were held Friday August 10, 2007 at Scanio Harper Funeral Home with Rev. Tad Smith officiating. Burial will be in Bellwood Memorial Park.

Mr. Stroud died Sunday in a Temple hospital.

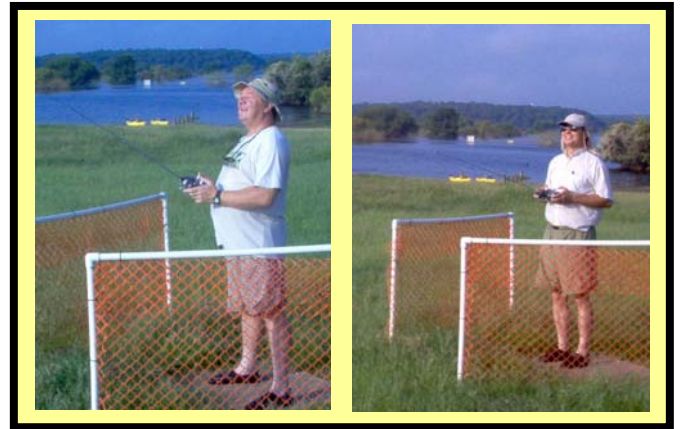
### Biography

Mr. Stroud was born in Columbia, South Carolina to John Melvin Stroud and Evelyn Hunter Stroud. He graduated from High School in San Diego, California. He married Rhonda Shoaf Aug. 15, 1981, and moved to Temple in 1984. He worked in Inspections for the City of Temple. He was a member of Temple Aero Modelers Club and was a member of Antioch Community Church where he was active with the Worship Team, Promise Keepers and the Music Program.

Survivors include his wife Rhonda Stroud of Temple; one son Nathan Dean Stroud of Temple; his mother-in-law Jerri Shoaf of Belton; two sisters Joan Smith and Amy Vezek both of Alaska and one brother Greg Stroud of Alaska.

## News Flash!

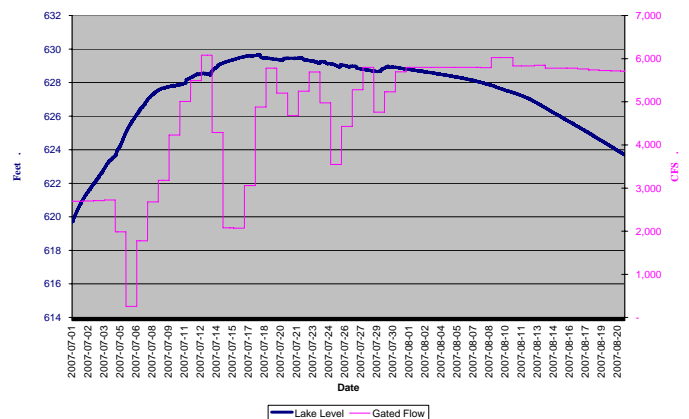
Die Hard Enthusiasts Paddle To Fly



Doug Staines (left) and Frank Sodek (right) recently paddled out to our flying field in a couple of kayaks. So... are they flying or are they just standing there holding a transmitter with a goofy grin on their faces???

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Lake Level vs Gated Flow



616 is the magic number. That's when the lake level drops low enough for us to access the road. The big question is... will we be able to drive over it?

# Three Club Combat at Bryan

September 9<sup>th</sup>

At the Brazos Valley Radio Control flying field in Bryan, TX. (See maps below)

Arrival time TBA. It is about an hour and 30 minute drive.

Food and refreshments will be served.



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## Monthly Club Raffle Report

Winners for the month of July:

1. Randy Mennen: Set of Allen Key Wrenches & Glow Driver Caddy
2. Doug Staines: 5 Min Epoxy, Medium CA & Fine CA
3. Fred Huber: Can of Fuel
4. Fred Huber Bag of Assorted RC connectors/fittings
5. Mark Cullison: Can of Fuel
6. Doug Staines: 2 Rolls of Monokote
7. Randy Mennen: Pushrods
8. Derek Hinkle: 3 - 11X4 APC Props & DuBro Spinner

All Raffle Prizes Purchased at/or Donated by:  
**Waco Hobby Stop and Max Blose**

Club Raffle for August is worth \$70

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