

# The Temple Aero Modeler

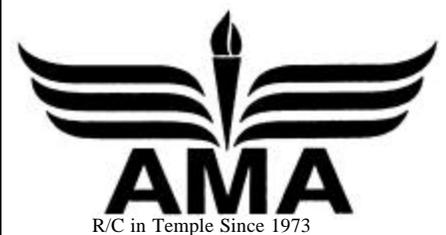
The Official Newsletter of the Temple Aero Modelers Radio Controlled Aircraft Club.  
September 2005

## >>>NOTICE<<<

We will be electing a new club president to finish out this year at the upcoming meeting, so be sure to attend!



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



*Fall Picnic/Last  
Combat Sep 25<sup>th</sup>*

*Club Meeting  
Sep 26<sup>th</sup>*

# CLUB INFO

*Fall Fun Fly  
Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Poker Fly  
Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>*

## 2005 Officers

President: TBA  
xxx-xxxx  
Vice Pres/Sec. Doug Staines  
780-3512  
Treasurer: Buster Hinkle  
982-4746  
Safety Officer: Frank Sodek, Jr.  
773-8081  
Field Marshals: John Redwine  
773-2742  
John Rovetto  
939-5659

## Temple Event Schedule

Sep 25 Fall Picnic/Last Combat 1pm  
Sep 26 Club Meeting 7:30pm  
Oct 2 Fall Fun Fly 1pm  
Oct 23 Poker Fly 11am  
Oct 24 Club Meeting 7:30pm  
(note: meeting one week early due to holiday)  
Oct 26 Last Beginner's night  
Nov 28 Club Meeting 7:30pm  
Dec 4 Ronald McDonald/  
Toys for Tots Fly-In 1pm  
Dec 12 Christmas Banquet/  
Officer Elections 6:30pm

## Instructors

Frank Sodek, Jr. 773-8081  
Mark Cullison 773-9686  
Steve Meyer 939-6394  
Paul Horan 780-1274  
B.W. Ponder 778-6182



## On The Cover

New Member, Dean Stroud, soloed Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Within a week, this trainer was sitting in the top of the highest oak tree on the north end of the field! Welcome to R/C flying, Dean.

Photograph by Mark Cullison

## District VIII Events

(This is not a complete list)

Oct 1 Jetero RC Club Big Bird, Huffman, TX  
Oct 1 Falcons Float Fly, Lake Dallas, TX  
Oct 1-2 5<sup>th</sup> Annual J.H. Rice Memorial Fly-In, Kingsbury, TX  
Oct 1-2 DEAF 19, Seagoville, TX  
Oct 7-9 Best Electrics in South Texas – BEST, New Waverly, TX  
Oct 7-9 Annual Fall Warbird/big Bird, Austin, TX  
Oct 8-9 4<sup>th</sup> Annual GRTCC Helicopter Contest, Grand Prairie, TX  
Oct 8-9 Houston Combat Classic, Houston, TX  
Oct 15 Dallas RC Scale Fly-In, Seagoville, TX  
Oct 15-16 Bob Courtney Annual Big Bird, Austin, TX  
Oct 21-23 ARCA Fall Heli Fun fly, Austin, TX  
Oct 22-23 South Central IMAC Regional Championships, Sherman, TX  
Oct 22-23 SPARKS Pattern Contest, Tomball, TX  
Oct 29 ARCS Fly-In/Swap Meet, San Antonio, TX  
Oct 29 Tailgator Fun-Fly, Mansfield, TX

Mark Cullison - Editor 773-9686  
Frank Sodek, Jr. - Editor's Assistant 773-8081

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## President's Report

by *Doug Staines*

Well here I am filling in for the President once again, in all honesty, it is my pleasure. It's been a busy end of the summer for the Club and Members. The AMA Grand Event had many of our members putting in many hours volunteering in Waco.

A couple of Combat Matches this past month saw some heated flying action. The Pattern Flyers have been busy practicing and competing. Several trips were/will be made that included Waco Jet Rally, Bomber Field annual B-17 Fly-in/All Scale meet and Bryan/College Station for a Fun-Fly. Rounding out the end of summer will be our annual Fall Picnic featuring the final Combat Match this month.

This past month we have seen a lot of flying out at the field with the debut of several new planes. Our beginner's night has been somewhat slow but we usually have had a good showing of members having a good time and getting in some good flights.

The upcoming fall looks to be shaping up to be just as busy. The tree trimming/cutting project is slated to start in October (read the article in this newsletter), Buster's Fall Fun-fly and the Poker Fly -in.

As many of you know our Field Maintenance Crew has been unavailable recently. I want to thank anyone who has been helping out in their absence cutting the grass. I have personally put in many hours on the mower as has several other members, a big 'Attaboy' to those members. A well deserved "Thank You" goes out to our Field Maintenance Crew, John Rovetto and John Redwine for their hard work.

On a more somber note, the club sent a token of respect and condolence to John Redwine with the passing of his Father at the beginning of September.

Enjoy the Fall and be safe.

Respectfully yours,  
*Doug Staines*  
acting President.

## Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 29, 2005

**Call to Order:** Jeff Pitts called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Jeff announced that he was vacating his position as President as a result of his planned move with family to Austin. Appreciation was extended to Jeff from the members present for the work he has done for the Club and wishing him all the best.

No new members or visitors were in attendance

**Minutes:** Minutes from the July Meeting were summarized by Doug Staines. Motion to accept was made by Fred Huber and seconded by Jim Goren. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Buster Hinkle provided the Treasurer's report. Motion to accept was made by Jim Guest and seconded by Jim McCormick. Motion passed.

## Old Business

**AMA Grand Event:** Fred Huber gave a report on the event and of the Club's participation.

**RC Armageddon:** Brief report was given by Mark Cullison, reference made to article in the August Newsletter in this regard.

**Combat:** Mark Cullison gave a report with the current standings as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> – John Cobb, Tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mark Cullison & Steve Meyer, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Bobby Zikes, 4<sup>th</sup> – Fred Huber, Tied for 5<sup>th</sup> – Larry Macie & Don Mondrik, Tied for 6<sup>th</sup> – John Hill & Doug Staines, 7<sup>th</sup> – Frank Sodek.

**Beginners' Night:** Mark Cullison gave a report in this regard.

**Field Maintenance:** Gate lock needs to be replaced; Frank Sodek, Jr. will secure a replacement lock that will be keyed to accept current keys that are in circulation. Picnic tables still in the works, Doug Staines offered to follow up in this regard to ensure that they are obtained in time for the Fall Picnic on Sept 25 Mark Cullison announced that the Field Maintenance Crew was temporarily unavailable and that members would need to fill in their absence and cut the grass.

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Scanner: Report given that this has been obtained and is at the field and in service.

Tree Trimming: Doug Staines gave a report and made the announcement that a permit has been issued, clearly outlining the guidelines that were to be followed in this project. Doug Staines presented the question asking if the Club wanted to pursue this project, expressing that the project would require maximum effort from the membership for a period of 3 months, following a systematic approach. Motion made to pursue this project by Jim Guest and seconded by Fred Huber. Motion passed. Steve Meyer proposed that Doug Staines accept the position to head up the project and to direct the membership accordingly, mutually agreed by members present and accepted by Doug Staines. Details of the project to follow at a later date.

Web Site: Shari Pitts gave a report in this regard and indicated that John Peikert will assume responsibility for the Web site with her departure.

Partners In Education: It was announced that Linda Zikes has stated that payment has been received in this regard, updates to follow at a later date.

Don Cullison: Mark Cullison had indicated that Don Cullison had received and appreciated the Get Well Card that was recently sent. A thank you card from Don was circulated.

Ronald McDonald House: An announcement was made reminding members that donations are still needed and would be appreciated; reference made to the list of needed items that was circulated as still being valid.

**New Business**

Fall Picnic: The annual fall picnic is slated for Sunday, September 25, which will feature the final combat match of the season; Mark Cullison indicated that he was in possession of sufficient plastic utensils; same format would be followed as in previous picnics. Doug Staines, on behalf of the club extended an invitation to Jeff Pitts to join us for the Picnic.

Property Line/Fence: Reminder was given to members to be respectful of our neighbor Mr. Brown, his property and fence.

Election: Jeff Pitts made reference to the Bylaws of the club in

the event of vacating of the position of President before the conclusion of the current term; in it stated that an Election for the vacated position would be held during the next regular Club meeting in September; Jeff indicated that in the Interim period that the Vice President Doug Staines would serve as ‘Interim President’ and conduct the Election in September’s meeting. Mark Cullison announced that 2 candidates for the position had been received and welcomed anyone else to consider the position.

Blunder Award: Fred Huber’s incident of his finger altercation with a prop was the only candidacy for this month’s award.

Trip Reports: Bobby Zikes gave a report of his and Paul Horan’s trip to Lubbock for Pattern meet and the results of their participation.

Motion to adjourn was made by James McKee and seconded by Jim Guest. Meeting was adjourned at 8:43pm.

Respectfully submitted by

*Doug Staines*  
Acting President

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**Treasurer’s Report**

Beginning Balance	<u>\$5,089.85</u>
Credits	
Dues.....	85.00
Max Blose (3-Club Combat Food).	25.00
Total Deposits:	110.00
Debits	
Ronald McDonald – rent.....	20.00
Temple Daily Telegram (PIE).....	117.00
Total Debits:	(137.00)
Balance August 2005	<u>\$5,062.85</u>

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*  
Club Treasurer

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## Tree Cutting & Trimming

For anyone who has had an altercation with a tree and the tree won, you will soon be able to get your revenge. It is time to regain our field from the forest.

We have received a Permit from the Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) that will authorize us to remove, cut and trim the trees at our field. The Permit is very specific outlining what we 'can do' and 'not do' and guidelines to follow. I will tell you that the Permit is fairly liberal and I believe we will be happy with the results when the project is completed. The part of the Permit that is a real bonus for the Club, is that ACE will actually designate an area close at hand, where we can take all the cut brush, limbs and branches for discarding.

We will start work on this extensive project bright and early on Saturday, October 8 and every other Saturday thereafter, through the end of December. In the event of inclement weather on the scheduled Saturday we will work on Sunday or the following Saturday. Bright and early, I plan on being at the field at 7-8am on the scheduled Saturdays.

We will take a systematic approach to this project and start at the North/West corner of the field adjacent to the Outhouse and advance from there until we reach the South/East corner along the fence line.

This Project will require a maximum effort and participation from our membership to get the job done by the end of December. Not only do we require your help but tools and equipment to get the job done.

We will need as many chain saws, pruners, loppers and other limb and brush cutting devices on each work Saturday. We will also need on each work Saturday, a flat bed or box trailer to haul the brush and limbs to the designated discard area.

Not initially, but after several trees are trimmed and thereafter, we will need tractors with shredders or brush hogs to cut the underbrush. Hopefully John Hill will be able to help with his rig. Unfortunately this will not include Bulldozers.

Any material for replanting, tree limb cut wound treatment and solution for sterilization of saws, will be provided by the club. Hopefully we can have a BBQ or two, in the middle of it all, in appreciation for all the help and hard work.

If anyone has some spare time and would like to freelance and do some work on the project, by all means it would be greatly appreciated. Please check with me first and I can indicate as to what needs to be done to ensure that we stay within the confines of the guidelines of the Permit.

We can only be successful if we get your help and we encourage you to help us out on this project on as many work Saturdays as you can manage.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Douglas Staines*  
 Acting President  
 Tree Cutting & Trimming Project Coordinator

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**Don't forget to bring your  
 donation items to the meeting for  
 the Ronald McDonald House!!!**

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### Club President Nominees

Buster Hinkle

Don Mondrik

# !!!News Flash!!!

If a tree has ever wreaked havoc upon your planes...



**Revenge is at hand!**

Every other Saturday starting October 8th thru December, you can exact revenge upon those merciless trees!

(See article elsewhere in this newsletter)

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Submitted by Fred Huber

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