

# The Temple Aero Modeler

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

April 2014



This month's meeting will be held Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at the Ronald McDonald House Meeting Room in Temple



*Spring Picnic/  
Combat: April 27<sup>th</sup>*

*Club Meeting:  
April 28<sup>th</sup>*

# CLUB INFO

*Airshow:  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 4<sup>th</sup>  
  
Combat: May 18<sup>th</sup>*

## 2014 Officers

President: Frank Sodek  
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Vice Pres/Sec. Larry Macie  
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Treasurer: Buster Hinkle  
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Safety Officer: David Macek  
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Field Marshal: Ed Weems  
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## Temple Event Schedule

Apr 27	Spring Picnic/Combat	1:00pm
Apr 28	Club Meeting	7:30pm
May 2-4	Airshow	
May 18	Combat	2:00pm
<b>May 19</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	7:30pm
Jun 1	Combat	2:00pm
Jun 8	Sanctioned Fun Fly	11:00am
Jun 22	Combat	2:00pm
Jun 30	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Jul 13	Combat	2:00pm
Jul 27	Combat	2:00pm
Jul 28	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Aug 10	Combat	2:00pm
Aug 24	Combat	2:00pm
Aug 25	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Sep 7	Combat	2:00pm
Sep 14	Poker Fly	1:00pm
Sep 28	Fall Picnic/Combat	1:00pm
Sep 29	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Oct 5	Fall Fun Fly	1:00pm
Oct 11	All Scale Fly-In	TBA
Oct 19	Combat – FINAL	2:00pm
Oct 26	Combat – FINAL rain date	2:00pm
Oct 27	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Oct 29	Last Beginners' Night	5:30pm
Nov 24	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Dec 7	Don Cullison Toy Fly	2:00pm
Dec 8	Christmas Banquet	6:30pm

## Instructors

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Fred Huber 368-2389



## On The Cover

Dan Brett (part of the "Georgetown Gang") after a double cut that put too many ribbons on the right wing to fly in a strong downwind.

Photo by George Prichett

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## President's Report

by *Frank Sodek*



Greetings, I hope everyone has been enjoying the really nice spring weather, although it has been a bit cooler than normal at times.

Our combat pilots couldn't wait until the Spring Picnic to start chasing each other and tearing up their planes, so the initial round of combat flying started on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. There was a very good turnout for the first event - eight pilots showed up even though there was threat of rain and it was extremely windy throughout the afternoon. They'll all be back in force at the Spring Picnic for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of competition.

Speaking of the picnic, I want to remind everyone that our Spring Picnic is to be held on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. The picnic consists of a pot luck lunch beginning at 1pm. Everyone should bring a dish of goodies, the club will provide drinks/plates/utensils. After pigging out we'll start the combat fun, and between combat heats there will be plenty of time allocated for flying, so bring your planes even if you're not participating in Combat. And don't forget to bring your family and friends – the more folks that come to the party, the merrier it will be!

The following weekend (May 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) brings about the annual Central Texas Airshow at the Temple airport. Our club will have a big presence there again this year. We open the airshow each day with an RC flying demo, and we also have a static display booth during the airshow to show off our planes, give out information about our club and our wonderful hobby, and sell raffle tickets for an RTF electric foamie to raise funds for the club. Fred Huber is leading the Airshow event for the Club again this year. We'll be finalizing the plans during the upcoming club meeting, so please attend and offer your support to Fred for this event.

If you're unable to attend the next meeting, please call Fred at (254)363-2389 or email him at [fhuber@earthlink.net](mailto:fhuber@earthlink.net) to offer your assistance.

See you all at the Spring Picnic,

*Frank Sodek*

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## Treasurer's Report



Beginning Balance: \$5,425.31

Deposits:

Dues.....\$30.00

Total Deposits: \$30.00

Expenses:

Ronald McDonald House.....\$25.00

Sanctioned Fun Fly.....\$20.00

Total Expenses: \$45.00

Balance March, 2014: \$5,410.31

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*

Club Treasurer

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## Meeting Minutes (March 31, 2014 meeting)

The meeting was called to order by Club President Frank Sodek at 7:30pm. All five club officers and six other members were present.

New Members/Visitors – Paul Milton brought his grandson.

Minutes from the meeting held in February were accepted as printed in the March newsletter. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Fred Huber, seconded by Ed Weems.

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**Treasurer's Report** - was read by Buster Hinkle, Treasurer; a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Pete Cornett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Cullison.

**Safety Officer's Report** – David mentioned that he had posted the new AMA Safety Rules at the field, inside the door of the small container.

**Field Marshal's Report** – Frank gave Larry Macie a big thanks for coordinating the building of the starting stands. Because of Larry's pre-cutting of the materials, the group of club members that showed up to help were able to build four new starting stands in just a few hours. Larry also replaced the windsock near the pit area.

It was decided to hold another field work day on April 12<sup>th</sup>, with the focus being repair of the outhouse. The trim and some of the other boards and possibly parts of the siding are rotten. Buster mentioned that the outhouse is now 20 years old. The list of other to-do items (entrance gate column repair, seal coating the runway, and replacing missing fence posts) were briefly reviewed. John Redwine will get a quote for the entrance column repair from a mason that he knows.

**Announcements** – none

**Old Business** – There was extended discussion regarding planning for the upcoming Central Texas Airshow. Fred is attempting to find pilots for the flying demonstrations. The new safety rules were discussed again - pilots will be standing on the taxiway and flying from the main runway in order to satisfy the new setback distance for spectators. Fred will have his trailer at the field the Wednesday evening before the airshow to load up the items for the static display booth. Buster mentioned that he has the canopies. Frank will bring lights and Tim will bring his generator. We'll begin setting up for the booth at 10am on Friday (May 2<sup>nd</sup>). A motion was made by Fred, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry to spend up to \$250 on the raffle plane, which was suggested to be

another Dynam RTF electric; the motion passed. Frank will purchase the raffle plane and assemble it. Mark will print raffle tickets and club information sheets.

**New Business** – Frank mentioned that the club's Spring Picnic will be held on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1PM. It will begin with a pot-luck lunch, the club will furnish drinks, plates and utensils. The second round of combat flying will take place after lunch, with ample time allowed for open flying between heats. Every member should come out with family and friends to enjoy this fun event.

**Trip Reports** – there were no trip reports.

**Blunder Awards** – Fred crashed his electric ME-262 by piling it in from a steep vertical (and high speed) dive. Brady Sherwood had a hard landing with his Yak and broke the firewall. Fred won the Blunder Award this month.

**Show and Tell** – Tim Symonds gave a flight demonstration of his miniature Estes ProtoX quadcopter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Minutes recorded by *Larry Macie*  
Club Vice-President/Secretary

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## **Centex Airshow**

### **Temple Aeromodelers Participation planning**

We don't have tickets yet. We are expected to be able to get them at the next airshow volunteer meeting. They were not available at the last one.

We are listed for 10 flight line and 20 booth workers, which is what we have been getting for the past few years.

Our night demo team includes Fred Huber, Ron Elza, Larry Macie, David Macek (lighted foamie

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deltas) Ron Norman (Big Stinger lighted up)

Day Show: Ron Norman 100CC Edge, Tim S P-61 (possibly more), John Cobb (maybe) big gasser that he flew at last year's airshow. Mark Cullison with his Ultimate if needed.

My 262 is out... Falcon 120 EDF (Big "Bobcat") doing check flight after maintenance as a backup time filler if needed.(meets the flown more than 2 weeks before rule by having flown last year's airshow)

Anyone I might have left out contact me. [fhuber@earthlink.net](mailto:fhuber@earthlink.net) 254 368 2389. NEW planes are now unable to meet the 2 week rule. If it's been flying a while (seen by more than just its owner) it can be allowed.

Tim has the generator covered.

We load the trailer Wed, 30 of April. Rain or shine at approximately 5:00 PM with fencing, tables and other materials from the field's storage. Commence setup scheduled Fri, 2 May 10:00 am.

Pilots are **REQUIRED** to be at the airshow's pilot briefings!

Friday range check of all planes to be flown will be 4:00 PM. (or immediately after airshow pilot's meeting if that interferes) Saturday and Sunday range check of all planes to be flown will be 11:00 AM. Late range checks must be observed by CD or event safety officer.

(Please look up the correct range check method for your radio system and be ready)

Each pilot **MUST** have a spotter during their flight. The spotter's job is to aid in preventing mid-air and to warn the pilot of something he might not be able to see while watching the aircraft he is flying. The spotter can be a pilot who has flown or is awaiting their turn to fly.

We are not certain of how much time we will be allotted. Be ready for 5 min to 10 min per demonstration flight. We'll adjust flight order and time based on our time slot.

Please remember that our tickets are in compensation for providing the flight demonstrations and other support of the airshow. They are for the pilots, demonstration support crew and booth workers.

Frank Sodek has reported that the raffle plane is ordered and on the way. I expect he will have it in his possession before the meeting.

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