

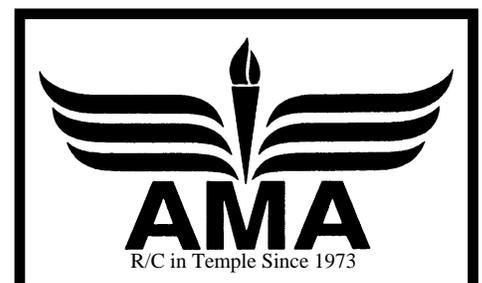
# The Temple Aero Modeler

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

July 2012



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



*Club Meeting –  
July 30<sup>th</sup>*

# CLUB INFO

*Combat –  
August 5<sup>th</sup>*

*Combat –  
August 19<sup>th</sup>*

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## On The Cover

John Hagel and “The Beast”

## Temple Event Schedule

Jul 30	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Aug 4	Field Work Day	8:30am
Aug 5	Combat	2pm
Aug 18	Field Work Day	8:30am
Aug 19	Combat	2pm
Aug 27	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Sep 15	Field Work Day	8:30am
Sep 16	Combat	2pm
Sep 24	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Sep 30	Fall Picnic/Last Combat	1pm
Oct 7	Fall Fun Fly	1pm
Oct 20	Field Work Day	8:30am
Oct 21	Poker Fly	10am
Oct 24	Last Beginners' Night	5:30pm
Oct 29	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Nov 17	Field Work Day	8:30am
Nov 26	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Dec 2	Don Cullison Memorial Christmas Toy Drive/Fly-In	1pm
Dec 10	Christmas Banquet/ Officer Elections	6:30pm

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## President's Report

by Frank Sodek



I want to thank Fred Huber, Darwin Geiselbrecht, Ed Weems and Steve Meyer for coming out to the field work day on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. We managed to mow and weed-eat the entire flying field in about four hours, thanks to having three riding mowers plus Ed's tractor and shredder operating simultaneously. Fred, Steve and I drove the riding mowers while Darwin ran the push mower and weedeater. Ed mowed the tall stuff under the trees and also mowed the thick areas ahead of the riding mowers. The recent rains have really been nice – they've kept the grass growing and very green. The flying field is looking terrific for this time of year, however we all know that August is coming and all the green will soon be turning brown.

I want to remind everyone that new pilot training is being held every Wednesday evening after work. Ed Weems has been making some great flights lately on the buddy box, and other club members have been getting in some good flights between training sessions. Also, the next Combat sessions will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. The participation this year has been terrific, which makes for great spectator viewing, so come on out and watch the fun with us.

See you all at the flying field,

Frank Sodek

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## Meeting Minutes (June 25, 2012 meeting)

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

New Members/Visitors – None

Minutes from the meeting held in May as published in the June newsletter were accepted (Paul Horan).

Treasurer's Report was read by Buster Hinkle, Treasurer; a motion to accept Treasurer's Report was made by Mark Cullison and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul.

Safety Report – Reminder not to fly past the west edge of the runway. No progress has been made on updating the safety rules.

Field Marshal's Report – Field Marshal not present.

Reviewed and accepted the proposed schedule for field work days, Mark will add them to the Calendar of Events in the newsletter.

Announcements – Frank reminded everyone to observe all McGregor Park rules such as closing time and speed limit within the park, and to comply with any requests from the Park Host.

## Old Business

Scale Fly-in report – Fred wasn't present, but he published a report about the Scale Fly-in in the newsletter.

Fun Fly report – Buster gave a report about the Fun Fly, and received several positive comments about the food that was served for the event.

Combat report – John Cobb mentioned that participation is still high (10 pilots at the last event), and Doug mentioned that future events will start on time, using the pilots that are present.

New mower purchase – Frank hasn't purchased the new mower yet. Larry brought up that he'd seen a good price on a zero-turn mower at Lowe's.

New Business – No new business was discussed.

Trip Reports – John reported on his visit to the Nimitz/Pacific War Museum in Fredericksburg, TX and highly recommends it to everyone. He also reported on the Caldwell Fly-in and Night Fly event that he recently attended.

Blunder Awards – There were no blunders nominated this month

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Minutes recorded by *Larry Macie*  
VP/Secretary

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## Paul's Korn'r

Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, so they lit a fire in the craft. Unsurprisingly it sank, proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

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## Treasurer's Report



Beginning Balance: \$6,835.55

### Deposits:

Dues..... \$22.50  
Cans.....\$51.06  
Fun Fly.....\$48.94

Total Deposits: \$122.50

### Expenses:

Ronald McDonald House.....\$25.00  
Ed Weems (mowing & spraying).....\$82.50

Total Expenses: \$107.50

Balance June, 2012: \$6,850.55

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*  
Club Treasurer

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## Field work day report

July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012

I arrived at the field approximately 9:45am.

I could tell that someone had done weed-eating around the trees and shelter, but no one was present.

Thanks to whoever did the weed-eating.

I filled, then ran the riding mower until 12:30pm at which time it was so low on gas that I figured it would barely make it into the shed.

No one else showed up. I locked up about 12:45pm. Mowing is a bit more than half done due to not having to re-mow what had been done previously by Ed Weems and myself.

We are now out of gas except what is in the self-propelled push mower (full, about 1/3 gallon) and trail mower (near empty).

Fred Huber  
Field Marshal

## TIPS & TRICKS

### Protecting Hinges

Petroleum jelly often has been used on pinned hinges to prevent epoxy glue from sticking to the hinge joint; however, it is difficult to get just the right amount on the hinge and to make sure the hinge is completely coated.

A very cool way is to melt the petroleum jelly in a small dish such as a dessert dish (an oven-safe type, of course). Use only enough to melt to a depth of about 1/6 of an inch. Fold the hinge and dip the pinned end into the melted jelly.

Remove and touch the hinge to a paper towel to remove excess. In a couple seconds, the petroleum jelly cools and has penetrated the hinge.

You now have a completely coated hinge joint that epoxy will not stick to.

—From *Gene Davis, Newsletter of the National Association of Scale Aeromodelers*

### Tricky Decals

Have you ever wanted to place a graphic or numbers on your model but find cutting them out of MonoKote just too much effort? Try tracing paper available at craft or office supply stores.

Here's how to do it with a computer and scanner:

1. Scan your artwork and save it.
2. Print it on thin tracing paper.
3. Cut it out and stick in on your airplane by spraying the back of the tracing with adhesive.

If you like to fly in the rain, you can waterproof the finished product by spraying it with clear spray paint before you place it on your airplane.

Unlike a commercial decal with a totally clear background, the tracing paper will be barely visible, but it's not that noticeable.

—From *the Lewes RC Club, Lewes DE*

### Convenient Clean Up

Want a nice, neat, convenient way to clean up that airplane? Use baby wipes—those soft wipe tissues that come under various brand names and are packaged in handy plastic boxes.

The wipes must contain some kind of cleaning agent because they remove oil well and the lanolin acts like a polish.

—From *the newsletter of the Western New York Sailplane and Electric Flyers*

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