

# The Temple Aero Modeler

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

July 2016



This month's meeting will be held Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at the Ronald McDonald House Meeting Room in Temple



# CLUB INFO

*Club Meeting:  
July 25<sup>th</sup>*

*Night Fly  
August 20<sup>th</sup>*

*Club Meeting:  
August 29<sup>th</sup>*

## 2016 Officers

President: Larry Macie  
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Vice Pres/Sec.: Mark Cullison  
773-9686

Treasurer: Buster Hinkle  
718-0243

Safety Officer: Doug Staines  
541-2915

Field Marshal: Brady Sherwood  
780-5790

## Temple Aero Modelers Event Schedule

Jul 25	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Aug 20	Night Fly	7:00pm
Aug 29	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Sep 11	Poker Fly	11:00am
Sep 26	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Oct 2	Fall Fun Fly	1:00pm
Oct 19	Final New Pilot Training Session	5:00pm
<b>Oct 24</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	7:30pm
Nov 28	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Dec 4	Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly	1:00pm
Dec 12	Christmas Banquet	6:30pm

Club business meetings are held on the last Monday of each month, with the exception of May (pulled up one week because of Memorial Day), October (pulled up one week because of Halloween) and December (replaced by the Christmas Banquet).

## Instructors

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Mark Cullison	773-9686
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Doug Staines	541-2915
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## On The Cover

Paul Milton was enjoying a nice day of flying at the field earlier this season.

Photo by Frank Sodek

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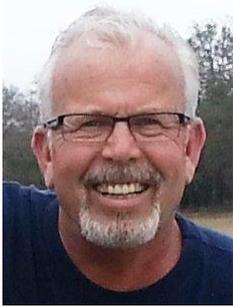
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**President's Report**

by *Larry Macie*



Hello everyone,  
 Here we are on the downhill slide to the end of summer (even though we still have August left to go). The weather, other than the wind, has not been too bad. The 100 degree weather is just about upon us.

There hasn't been much flying going on at our local airfield. Now that the lake has gone down we can finally head out to the field and do a little flying. Dust them cobwebs off! Let's see if some of you can show up on Wednesdays and do some flying.

Hope to see you at the flying field,  
*Larry Macie*  
 Club President  
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Cessna 150



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**Meeting Minutes (June 27, 2016 meeting)**

The meeting was called to order by Club President Larry Macie at 7:30pm.

**New Members/Visitors** – None

**Minutes** from the meeting held in May were accepted as published in the June newsletter. Motion was made by John Redwine, seconded by Doug Staines.

**Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer's report was read by Buster Hinkle, Treasurer. Motion to accept was made by Doug Staines, seconded by Paul Milton.

**Safety Officer's Report** – there were a few concerns to mention this month:

- 1) Fun Fly CD was attaching balloons to the runway while planes sat idling on the runway
- 2) Quads flying behind flight line
- 3) Reminder, following AMA rules will help deter FAA encroachment into out hobby

**Field Marshal's Report** – No report

**Announcements**

Paul Milton offered his full scale grass airstrip for us to fly. Please call before going out at 254-493-1339.

Bobby spoke to a guy at the Killeen field. He said we were welcome to come out and fly there.

**Old Business**

Fun Fly – All had a good time, except Bobby! He's building a replacement fun fly plane. There was discussion about alternate rules used.

Night Fly – we are still planning to have this event, somewhere.

**New Business**

Officer Pins – Larry passed out the new officer pins (patches are no longer offered).

**Trip Reports** - None

**Blunder Awards** - None

**Show and Tell**

Paul Milton shared aerial photos of the lake around our flying field.

Meeting adjourned 7:55 pm.

Minutes recorded and reported by *Mark Cullison*  
 Club Vice-President/Secretary

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**Treasurer's Report**

by *Buster Hinkle*



Beginning Balance: \$3,322.09

**Deposits:**

Dues .... \$30.00  
 Raffle proceeds ..... \$476.00  
 Total Deposits: \$506.00

**Expenses:**

Ronald McDonald House ... \$25.00  
 Raffle Plane (Mark) ..... \$300.00  
 Fun Fly trophies (Hilliard).... \$37.89  
 Fun Fly food (HEB) .... \$63.98  
 Total Expenses: \$426.87

Balance June, 2016: \$3,401.22

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## Safety Officer's Report

By Doug Staines



“Instructions, what instructions?”; “Real men don’t read or follow instructions”; “Instructions are overrated and over engineered”; “You can’t go by those instructions”; “My way is better than the instructions”.

We have all heard these claims and probably have followed some of them as well

- I know I have.

How many times have we gotten a product and found additional parts and figured they aren’t needed, or when you were actually following the instructions, decided that you didn’t need to take a step or method as outlined in the instructions?

Recently, I was taking a metal clevis off of a throttle arm, the type that has a small pin with a groove around it, anchored to one of the clevis arms. The pin goes through a hole on the other clevis arm and protrudes a bit outside of the arm. When you buy these clevises, the package includes some small C-clips or retainer clips. I bet plenty of people disregard using these clips, probably figuring the arms have enough tension to hold the pin in place through the hole, right?

Back to me removing the clevis on the throttle arm: I removed the clevis by inserting a standard screwdriver between the clevis arms, twisted or rotated the screwdriver blade, gently prying them apart to disengage the small pin from the throttle arm hole and clevis arm hole. The clevis moved away from the throttle arm without any problem, however, to my surprise that little pin fell away from the clevis.

I am pretty confident that where I inserted the screwdriver was nowhere near that pin, but the weld or glue holding that pin failed. Hence, that’s the reason the manufacturer includes those little clips. I know the tension of the clevis arms probably would have held the pin in place through the throttle arm hole. However, as always the case, you never know. What would have happened if the pin had fallen away somehow while the plane was in flight? Sure it was only the throttle, but what if it was on one of the control surfaces?

So when a product comes with additional clips, screws, springs or other additional fasteners, use them. The manufacturers for the most part, may actually know what they’re doing when they include these additional items.

The same can be said of the instructions that are included with the airplanes we buy, especially ARFs. Take the time to read and follow the instructions.

I recall a time when several club members had all purchased the same planes for combat. The instructions were very specific on how many pieces of tape you used and where to place them and in what manner on the wings. I followed the instructions as

outlined and didn’t have any problems. However, someone deviated from the instructions and had problems.

Again, the manufacturers may actually have known what they were doing when they took the time and created the instructions in order for everyone to get the best results possible without creating any deficits or potential failures.

On the other hand, for the most part something that does not cause any problems is that we often follow the instructions, but we may also add additional reinforcing or strengthening. I know in the example of those combat planes, several members had actually doubled up on the recommended taping of the wings and the planes performed great.

In closing, swallow your pride and follow the instructions and use those extra parts; in the long run you will be happy that you may have prevented a problem.

Be safe, be careful, use common sense and see you out at the field!

Respectfully submitted,

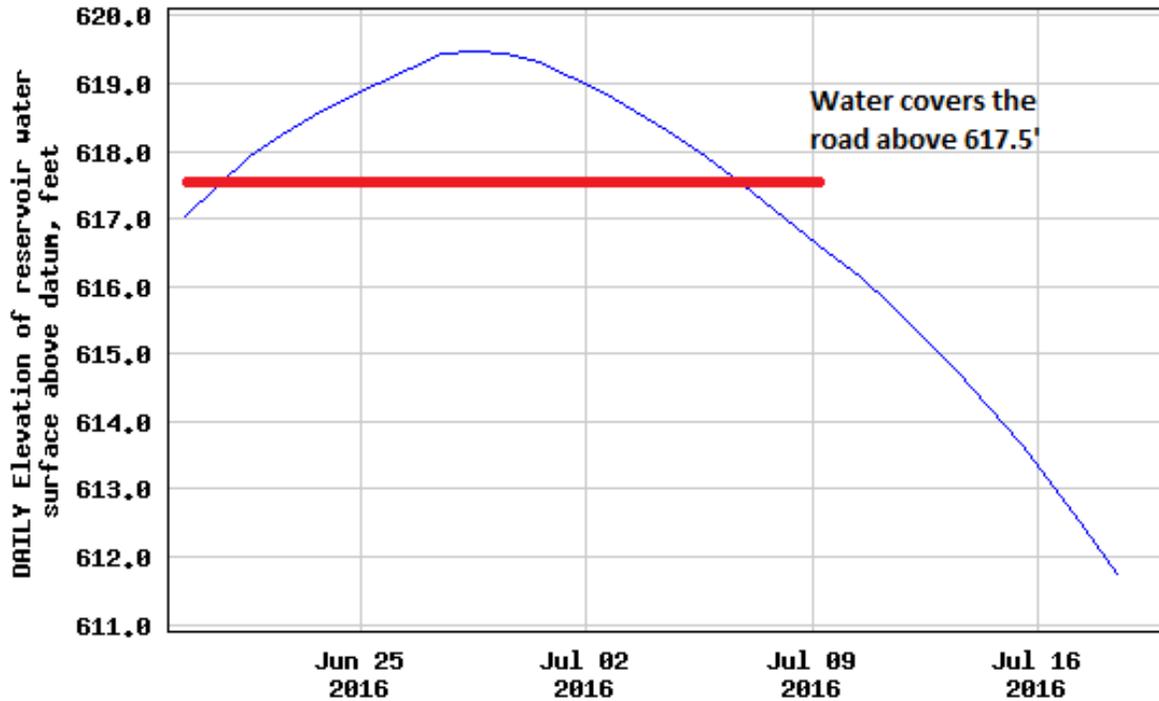
Doug Staines Club Safety Officer dasintex@hotmail.com

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**Denton Sherwood is shown having some fun with your newsletter editor’s quadcopter at the field recently.**

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The gravel road to our field was underwater for about 17 days.  
I guess we were lucky that it wasn't any longer!

**Here are some upcoming  
nearby AMA District VIII Events**

July 30: Dan Gray Memorial Big Bird Gala – Bryan, TX  
Brazos Valley RC Modelers Website: [www.flybvrc.com](http://www.flybvrc.com)

August 13: National Model Aviation Day Fly-in – Georgetown, TX  
Georgetown Aero Modelers Website: [www.gamarc.org](http://www.gamarc.org)

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