

The Temple Aero Modeler

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

March 2013



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



CLUB INFO

*Club Meeting –
March 25th*

*1st Beginner's
Night – April 3rd*

*1st Combat –
April 14th*

*Spring Picnic/
Combat – April 28th*

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On The Cover

Steve Meyer was spotted recently getting ready for the Fun Fly!

Photo by Frank Sodek

Temple Event Schedule

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| Mar 25 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Apr 3 | 1 st Beginner's Night | 5:30pm |
| Apr 14 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Apr 28 | Spring Picnic/Combat | 1:00pm |
| Apr 29 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| May 3-5 | Central Texas Airshow | |
| May 19 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| May 20 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Jun 2 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Jun 9 | Sanctioned Fun Fly | 11:00am |
| Jun 22 | 40 th Anniv Celebration/Fly-In | TBA |
| Jun 24 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Jun 30 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Jul 14 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Jul 28 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Jul 29 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Aug 11 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Aug 25 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Aug 26 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Sep 8 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Sep 29 | Fall Picnic/Combat | 1:00pm |
| Sep 30 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Oct 6 | Fall Fun Fly | 1:00pm |
| Oct 13 | Combat | 2:00pm |
| Oct 20 | Poker Fly | 1:00pm |
| Oct 28 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Oct 30 | Last Beginner's Night | 5:30pm |
| Nov 25 | Club Meeting | 7:30pm |
| Dec 1 | Don Cullison Toy Fly-In | 1:00pm |
| Dec 9 | Christmas Banquet | 6:30pm |

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President's Report

by *Frank Sodek*



Greetings, I hope everyone is doing OK and enjoying Daylight Savings Time. I'm always happy when the clocks are moved forward and I get to have some extended daylight after work for doing outside chores. The start of Daylight Savings Time normally also marks the start of the Club's Wednesday evening New Pilot Training sessions, however this year we are delaying the start of training until Wednesday, April 3rd. This will allow the days to get a little longer, giving us more time after work to get some training flights in. If you need help learning to fly, come out on Wednesday evenings beginning April 3rd and our club instructor pilots will be available to help you. While new pilots being trained have flight priority on Wednesday evenings, there normally is time available between training flights for experienced pilots to get some flying in, also.

Another change this year compared to previous years is that we are starting combat flying early this year. We typically begin combat season at the Spring picnic, but the combat pilots are so eager to start having fun, they can't wait another five weeks until the picnic, so this year the opening round of combat flying will occur on Sunday, April 14th. Even if you don't have a combat plane, you should come out and watch, it's really entertaining.

At this month's meeting we'll be finalizing plans for the upcoming Spring Picnic to be held on Sunday, April 28th. The picnic consists of a pot luck lunch beginning at 1PM. Everyone should bring a dish of goodies, and the club will provide drinks and 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!

See you at the flying field,

Frank Sodek
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Treasurer's Report



Beginning Balance: \$4,471.77

Dues.....\$300.00

Cans.....\$19.45

Club Trainers.....\$75.00

Total Deposits: \$394.45

Expenses:

Ronald McDonald House.....\$25.00

Total Expenses: \$25.00

Balance February, 2013: \$4,841.22

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*

Club Treasurer

Meeting Minutes (February 25, 2013 meeting)

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

New Members/Visitors – There were no visitors.

Minutes from the meeting held in January were accepted as published in the February newsletter by motion from Fred Huber, seconded by Mark Cullison.

Treasurer's Report was read by Buster Hinkle, Treasurer; a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Dean Paulsen, 2nd by Fred.

Safety Report – nothing to report from the club's Safety Officer.

Field Marshal's Report – Larry Macie volunteered to repair the safety sign that has fallen from the fence, and he will also get a new windsock. Paul Milton commented that he had a small windsock that he could donate to the club.

Announcements – None

Old Business

Club charter: Frank mentioned that he had received the club charter and the insurance certificates for the Corps and the Airshow, and that he had also signed up himself, Mark, Fred and Doug as Introductory pilots.

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Fly-in-the-Taco Soup: Larry gave a report on the fly-in (about 9 pilots participated), and how tasty the soup was.

Combat rules changes: a few changes are still being worked out among the combat pilots.

Club trainers: Fred reported that he had received \$75 from John Cobb for the club trainers.

New Business

40th Anniversary Celebration: lots of discussion was held regarding potential ideas for the club's 40th anniversary fly-in, including demo flights and how to publicize it. Larry made the motion to spend up to \$100 for door prizes for participating pilots, Fred seconded and the motion passed. Fred said he would put a notice in the March *Model Aviation*.

Central Texas Airshow: Fred and Paul Horan will work together to coordinate the club's presence at the Airshow this year. There was discussion regarding the demo flights and also the type of raffle plane we should purchase this year. Frank recommended getting an RTF electric, so Fred brought in his Banana Hobby Messerschmitt to show as a potential candidate. Anyone wanting to volunteer at the airshow should contact Fred or Paul.

Trip Reports – No trip reports were given.

Blunder Awards – Larry was hovering his helicopter without the canopy when the rear velcro holding the receiver battery came loose, and the battery fell out. The engine went to full throttle and the heli crashed. Larry won the blunder award for this month.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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

LEADER TO LEADER

Becoming a Leader Member

Rusty Kennedy, amalmprogram@gmail.com

I have been the chairman of the Leader Member (LM) Development committee for slightly more than two years. It has been a great experience working closely with AMA leadership and staff.

AMA is updating duties and responsibilities for district vice presidents (VPs), associate vice presidents (AVPs), and Leader Members. One of the goals is to have district leadership working together to improve communications to provide better service to AMA clubs and members. It is important that each club identify a member who would be an active LM working to help their club become knowledgeable about what AMA has to offer.

Club officers should try to identify a member who regularly attends club meetings and events and relates well with other club members. He or she will take on the responsibility of keeping the club members current on AMA news and programs, and pass on information from district leadership. He or she becomes the local "AMA information guy." It's not difficult because everything needed is online or a phone call away. If you know of such a member, have him or her contact me at amalmprogram@gmail.com, or (757) 812-2812.

Contact your VP and/or AVP. Tell him or her who you are and that you are willing to assist him at the local club level. Leader Members have the opportunity right now to help AMA help clubs become well informed of all club and member benefits.

I'm available anytime to help Leader Members understand what they can do for their club.

TIPS & TRICKS

The following are from the newsletter of the First State R/C Club, New Castle DE

Preventing covering from peeling up

If you are having problems with your model's covering peeling up at the edges and it will not iron down, CA glue can fix it. I use a regular super glue dispenser to wick CA like a pen along the overlapping MonoKote joint to seal it permanently. After the glue has dried, I wipe off the CA haze with a damp cloth and I am finished.

Done carefully, this works great and even glow fuel will not peel it up. This can also be used to spot glue the corners of the lettering and pin striping. If you make a mistake you can clean it up with acetone on most non-fabric coverings.

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