

The Temple Aero Modeler

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

May 2022



This month's meeting will be held
Monday, May 23rd at the Ronald
McDonald House in Temple
(2415 S. 47th) beginning at 7:30pm



CLUB INFO

*Club Meeting:
May 23rd*

*Night Fly:
June 3rd*

*Sanctioned Fun
Fly: June 12th*

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On The Cover

Here's a great shot of Brady Sherwood's giant scale Extra 300 with its smoke system performing extremely well.

Photo by Joe Svacina

Temple Aero Modelers Upcoming Event Schedule

May 23	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Jun 3	Night Fly	6:00pm
Jun 12	Sanctioned Fun Fly	11:00am
Jun 27	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Jul 1	Night Fly	6:00pm
Jul 25	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Aug 26	Night Fly	6:00pm
Aug 29	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Sep 11	Poker Fly	11:00am
Sep 23	Night Fly	6:00pm
Sep 25	Fall Picnic	1:00pm
Sep 26	Club Meeting	7:30pm

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).

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President's Report



Hello fellow flyers! This month has brought on our first really hot days, and after attending an event in Apache Pass and getting decidedly overheated, I figured it would be a good idea to touch on the topic of surviving the heat!

Although this might be basic stuff, it's surprising how we forget sometimes. I thought I was prepared, but I guess not. I paid for my inattention with a migraine headache that put me out of order for 2 days! So let's discuss this.

Hydration. Yep, it seems obvious, but you've got to stay hydrated. Rule of thumb: If you don't need to pee, you aren't drinking enough water. Notice I said "water", not "Dr Pepper" (You know who you are...). If you are sweating a lot, adding some kind of sports drink with electrolytes is a good idea too.

Sunscreen. Let's face it, none of us are spring chickens. With age (wisdom?) comes skin that is more likely to get damaged by the sun. I know every year when I go to my dermatologist, he has to freeze at least one pre-cancerous spot, and always admonishes me to wear good sunscreen and stay covered up. If you've seen me at the field, you have no doubt seen one of my goofy looking big hats. I've got at least 5 different ones, and still haven't found one that's exactly what I want. But the basic things we need are a wide brim and a chin strap / retainer of some sort. I prefer a stiff brim, since the wind will tend to flip up a floppy hat and you still end up with sun in your eyes and on your face! Along with a hat, either use good sunscreen (with zinc) or wear long sleeves and long pants. I know it's a bit warmer than shorts, but it will keep you from getting burned if you don't want to slather on the sunscreen.

Shade. It may seem obvious, but don't stand out in the sun any more than you need to! When not flying, retreat to the shade (and drink some water!).

Even with all that, if you start to feel dizzy or fuzzy headed, sit down and cool off. Pour some cool water over your wrists. I know it sounds weird, but it'll cool you down pretty quickly.

And finally, I'll touch on our toys themselves. They don't like the heat any more than we do! Keep them in the shade unless you're flying. If there's no room in the shade, one of those silver reflective "space blanket" things can be tossed over the plane and weighted down with some rocks.

You know, now that I think of it, one of the best ways to stay cool while flying in the summer is to fly at night! If you haven't set up a plane for night flying, you've got to try it! No sunburn worries at night, and it's a good time.

So stay cool, and go fly something!

Chris Boultinghouse
Club President cboultinghouse@yahoo.com

Meeting Minutes (April 25, 2022 meeting)

The meeting was called to order at 7:31pm by our Club President, Chris Boultinghouse.

New Members/Visitors – Curt Van Soosten (friend of Paul Milton) attended the meeting.

Minutes – Minutes from the March meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. A motion to accept the Minutes was made by Paul Milton and seconded by Larry Macie.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was read by Buster Hinkle. Motion to accept the report was made by Joe Svacina, seconded by Doug Lewis.

Safety Officer's Report – Larry Macie reported no safety incidents, reminded everyone to turn their transmitter on first when powering up and after the receiver power is off when powering down.

Field Marshal's Report – Larry replaced the picnic table top and made new trash can covers.

Larry called for a Field Work Day on April 23rd. Five members (Paul Milton, Bobby Zikes, Fritz Pratt, Joe Millender and Frank Sodek) showed up to mow the field and trim around the edges.

Larry mentioned he was still investigating the best rental for a lift to use to repair and paint the flagpole (see New Business).

Frank mentioned that the field would need a post-emergent spray for grassburs in mid-May.

Larry put in a new charging station at the far end of the pavilion.

Announcements – Tony Smith's father passed away on Saturday, April 23rd.

Old Business – A Night Fly was held on April 1st. It was very windy and Steve Sanders was the only person to show up.

The Club's Spring Picnic was held on Sunday, April 24th. There was a good turnout of members and their families. Paul won the glider drop contest.

Frank sent an email to members that haven't paid their dues.

New Business – Larry reported that the next Night Fly will be held on Friday, May 6th.

Steve reported that the Ronal McDonald House meeting room should be available for the next meeting. Frank will check with the House Director.

Paul mentioned that the demonstration for handicapped kids will be held on May 18th beginning 8:45am. There will be both a static display and a flight if conditions are suitable.

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Larry mentioned a lift could be rented to repair the flagpole for \$160 for a four hour period. Chris made the motion to have Larry proceed, Joe seconded, the motion passed.

Trip Reports – None

Blunder Awards – Mike DeWolf lost control of his foamy pusher jet due to a loose pushrod. He also attempted to use super glue on the foam, which turned out to be a mistake.

Larry set his plane down on one of the tables with the power on. His transmitter timed out and turned itself off. The plane attempted to take off from the table but didn't get very far.

Larry won the Blunder Award for this month.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm. After the formal meeting, Chris did a Show and Tell of how he's constructing a replica Ugly Stik using his CNC foam cutter, laser cutter and 3D printer.

Minutes recorded and submitted by *Frank Sodek*
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Treasurer's Report



Beginning Balance: \$4,292.71

Deposits:

Club Dues: \$120.00

Total deposits: \$120.00

Expenses:

New checks: \$20.00

Propane for grill: \$81.78

Wire rope for flagpole: \$148.50

Total expenses: \$250.28

Balance April 2022: \$4,162.35

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*
 Club Treasurer

Going back to our Meeting Room!

The meeting room at the Ronald McDonald House has finally become available again after being shut for so long due to COVID fears. For the new members that have joined during the past couple of years, the Ronald McDonald House has a nice meeting room that is fairly central to most members. It is located at 2415 S. 47th street, not far from Baylor Scott & White. Park in the lot on the south side of the building and enter through the south-most door when facing the front of the building. See you all there!

Spring Picnic – Sunday, April 24th

The Spring Picnic was held on Sunday, April 24th with fairly decent weather for flying. There was a good turnout of members and their families for the delicious pot luck lunch and great fellowship. Larry Macie directed another Glider Release Competition which was won by Paul Milton.



Paula Meyer (L) and Monica Milton are getting the food ready to be served at the Spring Picnic.



This photo shows the size of Brady's Extra 300 that's shown on the cover. All three photos by Joe Svacina



How do you get smoke on a night flyer? Just strap on a smoke bomb, as Larry Macie did!

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Did you leave this starter at the field? Contact Paul Milton if it's yours.



Steve Meyer preparing to fly his profile fun fly plane.
Photo by Joe Svacina

One disadvantage of having nothing to do is that you can't stop and rest. – Franklin P. Jones

What we do during our working hours determines what we have; what we do during our leisure hours determines what we are. – George Eastman

The reason people blame things on previous generations is that there's only one other choice.
- Doug Larson



Nice knife edge flight being exhibited.

Photo by Joe Svacina



Paul Milton preparing to fly his Perfection.

Photo by Joe Svacina



Getting ready for a night flight.

Photo by Joe Svacina

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