

The Temple Aero Modeler

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

November 2018



Happy Holidays



This month's meeting will be held Monday, November 26th at 7:30pm at the Ronald McDonald House Meeting Room in Temple



*Club Meeting:
November 26th*

CLUB INFO

*Don Cullison
Memorial Toy Fly:
December 2nd*

*Christmas Banquet:
December 10th*

2018 Officers

President:	(Open)
Vice Pres:	(Open)
Secretary:	Frank Sodek 295-6204
Treasurer:	Buster Hinkle 718-0243
Safety Officer:	Doug Staines 541-2915
Field Marshal:	Brady Sherwood 780-5790

Temple Aero Modelers Event Schedule

Nov 26	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Dec 2	Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly	1:00pm
Dec 10	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) and December (replaced by the Christmas Banquet).

Instructors

Larry Macie	291-4590
Brady Sherwood	780-5790
Frank Sodek	295-6204
Mark Cullison	773-9686
Doug Staines	541-2915
Fred Huber	462-3927



On The Cover

Here's the crew that did an excellent job of resealing the runway on Saturday, November 17th (L-R): David Beck, Kenny Maddux, Paul Milton, Tom Lake, Tyler Lake, Buster Hinkle, Clayton Mihalitic, Frank Sodek and Bobby Zikes.

Photo by Mike DeWolf



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Meeting Minutes (October 29, 2018 meeting)

The meeting was called to order by Buster Hinkle at 7:31pm.

New Members/Visitors – Tom and Tyler Lake were present and expressed interest in joining the club.

Minutes from the meeting held in September were accepted as published in the October newsletter. Motion to accept was made by Pete Cornett, seconded by Jim Goren.

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

Safety Officer's Report – The Safety Officer was absent.

Field Marshal's Report – The Field Marshal was absent.

Tractor cover – Frank Sodek reported that we are still waiting for a response from the Corps of Engineers for final approval to build the new cover. There was discussion regarding placing the tractor inside the large conex during the winter, while it's not being used. Fred suggested that we cut into the north end of the conex to add a second access door, which would help in getting the riding mower out.

Frank mentioned that McGregor Park is closed due to the lake rising almost 19 feet from recent rains (15' above normal level), however club members still have access to the flying field.

Paul Milton suggested that we set a date to reseal the runway now that the weather has become more favorable. The resealing effort will take place on Saturday, November 10th beginning at 8am. Frank will notify all local members and send out a list of action items.

Announcements – Frank reported that Flite Fest will be held at Apache Pass near Rockdale on the upcoming weekend.

Old Business

The Fall Picnic was held on September 30th but was lightly attended.

Buster reported on the Fall Fun Fly that was held on October 7th, and handed out trophies to the winners that were present.

The Night Fly that was to be held on October 19th was rained out.

New Business

The Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly will be held on Sunday December 2nd beginning at 1pm. Entry fee is an unwrapped toy.

The Club's annual Christmas Banquet will be held on Monday December 10th beginning at 6:30pm. It will be held in the gym at Western Hills Church of Christ; we'll have a potluck dinner and gift exchange (one wrapped gift per person to enter).

Paul stated that he was not interested in participating in this

year's Temple Christmas Parade, so we'll be taking this year off. Buster mentioned that it was the time of year for officer nominations, and encouraged all members present to think about stepping up to help run the club.

Trip Reports – Paul and Buster attended the full-scale REKLAW fly-in in northeast Texas; attendance was low due to wet and muddy conditions.

Blunder Awards – Buster forgot to bring the trophies for the Fall Fun Fly; Clifford Cornett had a rough deadstick landing and broke off his nose gear.

Buster won the Blunder Award this month.

Show and Tell - None

Paul Milton gave away another door prize (multimeter), which was won by Jim Goren (thanks Paul!)

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Minutes recorded and reported by *Frank Sodek*
Club Secretary

Treasurer's Report



Beginning Balance: \$4,575.36

Deposits: None

Expenses:

Paul Milton (tractor gas) ... \$10.00
Ronald McDonald House ... \$25.00
Total Expenses: \$35.00

Balance October, 2018: \$4,540.36

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*
Club Treasurer

Important Note from your Newsletter Editor

This is the final newsletter for 2018 - your next club newsletter will arrive during the fourth week of January. I hope you all have a terrific Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!

Regards,
Frank Sodek

In alcohol's defense, I've also made some pretty bad decisions while sober!

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Safety Officer's Report



I trust everyone will have a good Thanksgiving and not gain too much weight from all that great food. Thanksgiving also marks the approaching end of the year and the final newsletter. This is also the time of year to take care of a few things.

By now many should have received their AMA renewal cards. It is mandatory that anyone flying at our field (both club members and non-club members) must have their AMA membership.

In this month's newsletter you will conveniently find a copy of the Club's Membership Form; use it to renew your Club membership and pay your dues. The club relies on the funds generated by the collection of dues to keep it running, including gas for the mowers, AMA Charter dues, repairs and maintenance of the equipment and facilities.

The end of year is also the time for you to consider serving your Club by volunteering as a Club Officer. During 2018, the Club ran without the benefit of a President and Vice President/Secretary, I do believe this is the first time that has happened. In consideration of these vacancies, Frank Sodek served in the newly created position of Secretary/Newsletter Editor, which are normally 2 separate positions.

Don't be intimidated to assume an Officer position - you never have to carry the burden of running the club by yourself, there is always plenty of help. As for myself, I will again serve as the Club's Safety Officer, unless someone would like to try their hand at the position.

I want to remind everyone of a few final events we have scheduled in December. On Sunday, December 2nd with a 1pm start is our annual 'Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly'. Admission is an unwrapped toy, and Mark Cullison puts together a batch of some awesome Hot Cider. It's a great event for a great cause and provides the opportunity to get in a few flights before the close of the year.

On Monday, December 10, with a 6:30pm start is the Club's annual Christmas Banquet and Buster's famous Christmas Gift Exchange. Always a great time, see the article in this month's newsletter for further details.

In closing I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Years, and if you are traveling be safe and healthy

Hope to see you in 2019 and as always be safe, use common sense and above all enjoy our great sport!

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Staines
Club Safety Officer
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Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly

By Frank Sodek

On Sunday, December 2nd we will be holding our annual Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly beginning at 1PM. Entry fee for the event is one unwrapped toy (in prior years several pilots have brought a few more) which Mark will distribute to local toy collections for needy children. This event is for a really good cause, so come on out with some toys even if Mother Nature isn't cooperating for us with good flying conditions.

TAM Christmas Banquet

By Frank Sodek

The final event for this year will be our Christmas Banquet, to be held on Monday, December 10th beginning at 6:30 PM. It will be held at the same location as prior years (the gym in the Family Life Center at the rear of Western Hills Church of Christ – see the map on page 6). You are all probably aware that this area along the Interstate is still under heavy construction, however the front entrance to the church from the IH35 service road is now open. If you're using the front entrance, you have to drive around to the rear of the church. The entrance to the gym is at the southwest corner of the Family Life Center. You can also access the back of the church from Airport Road by taking the street next to Purvis Bearing.

The party starts with a pot-luck meal, which is always full of delicious-tasting goodies (the club will provide drinks and utensils). The gym we're using happens to also be perfect for indoor flying, so don't forget to bring your ultralights and small quadcopters! After the meal we'll have a very brief business meeting (which typically includes officer elections for next year), then Buster will lead us in the always-popular Chinese Gift Exchange. Anyone wanting to participate in the gift exchange (which should be everyone attending the party – it's loads of fun!) should bring a wrapped gift (normally in the \$10-\$15 cost range) to join in the fun of opening/exchanging/stealing the gifts.

This is our premier family event – it is an evening of great fellowship and fun for all, so please bring all your family and friends to join in the fun!

2019 Club Dues

Club dues for next year are coming due. See the dues form on page 7 of this newsletter for mailing to Buster, or else bring it with your check to the next meeting or event.

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Runway Resealing Project

By Frank Sodek

After one week's delay due to really nasty weather, a fine group of nine club members met out at the flying field to apply asphalt sealer to the runway. From past experience those of us who have done it before know how tough a task it is - whether one is handling the five gallon buckets of sealer or running a squeegee, it's really tough on the back (of course, being about 20 years younger would have helped us all a bunch!).

Always when we first start the task it seems like everything is going in extremely slow motion and it feels like we'll never complete the entire runway, but we eventually get the process down and we all get into a nice flow. Surprisingly, we were able to complete the entire runway in only a couple of hours (although it seemed like twice that time to me!). Paul had spent a couple of hours blowing off the runway before we all arrived, and I had cleared the grass off the runway edge and applied four gallons of crack filler to the largest cracks a few days before. Having it ready to go for the sealer really helped save a lot of time.

About the only bad incident that occurred (other than all of us getting black goop all over our clothes, shoes and hands) was Buster getting his truck stuck on the far side of the runway with a full load of sealer on his trailer. Luckily he had a chain with him and Paul used the tractor to pull him out.



David Beck was "Chief Bucket Stirrer".

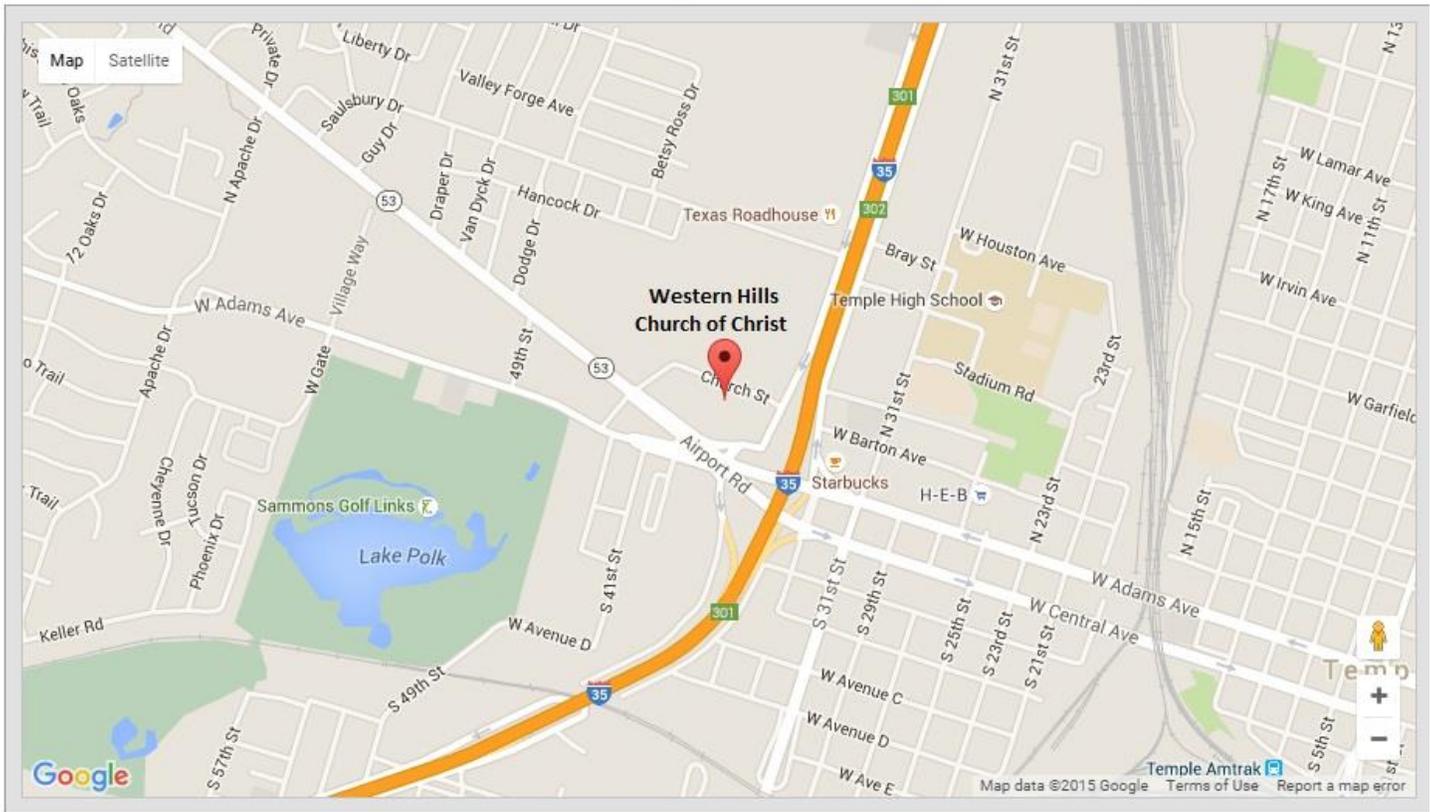


Here's part of the crew applying asphalt sealer to the runway.



Tom Lake (L), Bobby Zikes and Paul Milton are shown running the squeegees.

Christmas Banquet Location Map



Western Hills Church of Christ is located at 210 North General Bruce Drive (which is IH35). The front entrance to the church on the IH35 service road is now open, but the area is still under construction. The entrance behind the church at Purvis Industries and one on the Airport Road access road are alternate ways to get to the church building.

Everyone needs to park in the large parking lot in the rear of the church. The Family Life Center is the rectangular shaped, two-story building on the back of the church building. Please enter through the door located in the southwest corner of the building.



Merry Christmas!

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Temple Aero Modelers

To join the Temple Aero Modelers or renew your dues, please fill out this form, enclose a check, and mail to:

Temple Aero Modelers
c/o Buster Hinkle
11591 Pritchard Rd.
Temple, TX 76501

Make check payable to:
Temple Aero Modelers

(check or cash can also be brought to the next club meeting)

Name: _____ AMA#: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Radio Channels that you fly: _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____ (Home or cell)
(____) _____ - _____ (Work)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

Amount enclosed for:

	Full Year*
Adult member dues (18 and over)	\$60.00 _____
Additional family member	\$30.00 _____
Senior member dues (over 65)	\$30.00 _____
Junior member dues (under 18)	\$10.00 _____
Associate member	\$30.00 _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

*For new members only – if joining in the first quarter (Jan-Mar): 100% of full year dues; second quarter (Apr-Jun): 75% of full year dues; third quarter (Jul-Sep): 50% of full year dues; fourth quarter (Oct-Dec): 25% of full year dues.

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