

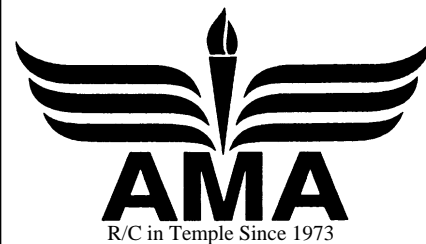
The Temple Aero Modeler

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

September 2013



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



*Fall Picnic/
Combat:
September 29th*

*Club Meeting:
September 30th*

CLUB INFO

*Fall Fun Fly:
October 6th*

*Combat:
October 13th*

*Poker Fly:
October 20th*

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Temple Event Schedule

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

Instructors

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On The Cover

What a strange looking creature... holding
an RC Dragonfly.

Larry Macie with his new electric "bug"!

Photo by Mark Cullison

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President's Report

by Frank Sodek



Greetings, I hope all of you got to enjoy the terrific weather we had this past weekend, it was very appropriate for the official start of Fall. And the rain we had before the front came through was also very welcome - I hope your rain gauge was filled to the top!

The cooler weather has perfect timing, because our Fall Picnic will take place on Sunday, September 29th, beginning at 1PM. We'll have a pot luck lunch again - everyone should bring a dish or two of their favorite goodies. The club will provide plates, utensils and drinks. The club picnic is all about fellowship and having fun, so bring your family and any other guests you desire to join in on the fun - the more, the merrier! We had a terrific turnout for the Spring picnic, there were some really good eats for everyone to indulge in. And of course bring some planes to fly - there will be ample opportunity to fly between and after combat heats. The combat flying has been very hot and heavy this year, so I'm sure they'll give us a great show to watch during the picnic. The Fall picnic is normally the final session of combat flying for the season, however this year there will be one more after the Picnic, on October 13th.

Next month brings two more fun events for pilots, the Fall Fun Fly on Sunday, October 6th, and Poker Fly on October 20th. Now that the weather is turning really nice, these events should be well attended.

See you all at the flying field,

Frank Sodek

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Meeting Minutes (August 26, 2013 meeting)

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

New Members/Visitors - None present

Minutes from the meeting held in July were accepted as published in the August newsletter. Motion was made by Doug Staines, seconded by Larry Macie.

Treasurer's Report was read by Buster Hinkle, Treasurer; a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Doug,

2nd by Ed Weems.

Safety Report - Paul had nothing new to report.

Field Marshal's Report - Ed took the old mower to Empire Seed for repair and received a repair quote for \$450. It was decided not to pay to have it repaired; Ed will attempt to repair it himself.

There was discussion regarding getting estimates for repairing the damaged entrance gate column. Frank hadn't been able to take the time to get someone located to come out to take a look, however Paul mentioned that he had a contact at the airport that might be interested in performing the repair. Larry also volunteered to follow up with the guy who hit the gate with his truck.

Larry reported that he had gotten an estimate for resealing our runway from a guy in Leander, the cost would be around \$3,000. Larry also reported that he found a source for bulk resealing material; a 225 gallon container would cost \$1,100. Six years ago we spent \$1,300 for fifty 5 gallon buckets of material.

There was some discussion on the starting stands, because one is in really bad shape. We'll rebuild them this fall.

Announcements - Frank mentioned that another former member (David Laster) had recently passed away. David was an electrician in the area, and had just recently come back out to the field for a visit.

Frank also mentioned that he had been contacted by a guy selling three old engines (OK Super 60, Fox .35 and OK Cub .049), let him know if you're interested.

Old Business

Doug gave a report on the recent Combat flying. Mark is in first place.

New Business - Frank mentioned that the Fall Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 29th starting at 1PM. Members should bring a dish or two for the potluck lunch, and also should bring family members and invite friends. Frank will bring drinks.

Doug started a discussion about the placement of our pilot stations and made a motion to move them closer together. The left-most station (#1) will be moved closer to station #2, and the right-most station (#4) will be moved between stations two and three. Larry seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Trip Reports - Doug attended the National Modeling Day events held in Austin and Georgetown. These events were raising awareness for our hobby and also raising funds for the

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Wounded Warrior project.

Blunder Awards – Frank ripped off the landing gear of his Perfection after making a bad deadstick landing in the rough. Frank won the blunder award this month.

Presentation - Larry gave us a quick quiz about selecting the best electric motor, speed controller and battery based on a YouTube video he told us about, you can find it by searching for “Matching motor, esc & battery” on YouTube.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Minutes recorded by *Frank Sodek*
Club President

Treasurer’s Report



Beginning Balance: \$5,265.94

Deposits:

Total Deposits: \$0.00

Expenses:

Ronald McDonald House.....\$25.00
Temple Telegram (PIE).....\$117.00

Total Expenses: \$142.00

Balance August, 2013: \$5,123.94

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*
Club Treasurer

TIPS & TRICKS

Reasons why engines lean out and quit

1. The high-speed needle valve is too lean.
2. The muffler pressure line came off.
3. The fuel filter has opened up (the halves are loose).
4. There’s a split in the fuel line, usually at the fuel tank.
5. The fuel tank is foaming, causing air bubbles in the fuel line.

—from the Rouge Eagles R/C Club, Medford OR

Hints and Tips

FUEL CANS

If you have a favorite or otherwise standard fuel can in your flight box, then you routinely transfer fuel from one can to another. While you are doing this transfer, you have the perfect opportunity to make sure you are using only the cleanest of fuels. Put a coffee filter in the funnel you use for the transfer for super-fine fuel filtration.

SCRAP ALUMINUM

from Mark Kallio

One of the most useful and inexpensive tools in the workshop are pieces of scrap aluminum angle iron cut to various links and of various sizes. I find that a selection of 1-inch, 2-inch, and 3-inch pieces, varying in length from one to six inches, is quite helpful, and these can be obtained at a metal supply shop. If you have a metal fabricator near you, you might try asking him to sell you some scraps of angle about these sizes. Since these lengths are considered trash to these fellows, you may get lucky and get them for free. Even if you don’t, the cost should be minimal, and as useful as these are I would have purchased new stock and cut it up into pieces to obtain these tools.

What good are they, you ask? Well, here are a few of the things I use them for, and I’m sure you can come up with more once you start using them. First off, this is a great way to align the table on disk/belt sanders, drill presses, band saws, etc. You can use them to hold items to be glued or drilled exactly perpendicular to the work surface, such as drilling into the edge of sheeting, or holding ribs at 90° to the table while your adhesive dries.

TIPS & TRICKS

Fuel Proof that Firewall

The firewall or engine compartment of models powered by nitro and gas engines can incur damage if left unprotected. Paint, epoxy, and CA can provide protection. The paint can be sprayed or brushed on, and the epoxy should be thinned with a little rubbing alcohol and applied with a brush. Thin CA can be dripped on the surface and allowed to soak in, but thick CA should be rubbed in with your finger; of course, it’s a good idea to wrap your finger in plastic.

—from the Beresford Area Radio Flyers, SD

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