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The Tail Spinner

Greater Southwest Radio Control Club

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The Greater Southwest Radio Control Club is a nonprofit organization. Membership is nondiscriminatory and open to anyone who agrees to abide by Club rules. A condition of membership for insurance purposes is current affiliation with the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). Our flying field is located on the North side of Randol Mill Road, 0.4 miles East of Highway 820 at N 32°46.895' W 97° 12.361'. Visitors are welcome whenever the gate is unlocked. Free flight training instruction is available to members from 6:00 PM to dusk on Tuesday and Thursday while Daylight Savings Time is in effect. Regular Club meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the North Richland Hills Parks and Recreation Building, 6720 Northeast Loop 820, North Richland Hills, TX 76180 (on the corner of Rufe Snow and NE820).

CONSTITUTION - Greater Southwest Radio Control Club

Article III: The purpose of the CLUB shall be to aid, assist and encourage the building and flying of model aircraft.



Next Meeting:

**Tuesday
March 12, 2002
7:00PM**

What if we limited membership to 150 and he was 151?

Mar Event Calendar

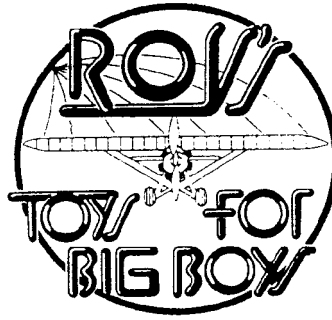
MARCH 6--Bedford, TX (RT) Record Trials for 220, 221, 627 Site: Bedford Boys Ranch, Bedford, TX Events: 220, 221, 627 Bob Wilder CD, 1005 Hidden Oaks Court, Colleyville, TX 76034 Phone:817-498-6316(both) Sponsor: NIRAC <-- 2056 -->

MAR 8-10--Kingsbury, TX (A) Old Kingsbury Heli Fly-In Site: Old Kingsbury Airdrome, 170 Pershing, Kingsbury, TX Events: 431 (JSO) Wayne Belcher CD, 715 Happy Haven, McQueeney, TX 789123 Phone:830-560-1803 (both) Sponsor: Tri City Flyers #850

MAR 10--Dallas, TX (A) Sailplane 10 Minute Time Slot Site: Eastfield College Campus, Dallas, TX Events: 444 (JSO) Robert Taylor CD, 5121 Burlingame Drive, Garland, TX 75043 Phone:972-240-5934(both) Sponsor: Soaring League of North Texas #1213

MAR 16--San Antonio, TX (A) HOTSS Club Contest Site: HOTSS Field, San Antonio, TX Events: 444 (JSO) Greg Dickerson CD, 6802 Buckley Drive, San Antonio, TX 78239-2910 Phone:210-313-7319(both) Sponsor: Heart of Texas Soaring Society #2203

MARCH 16--Frisco, TX (AA) North Dallas Sportsman Contest Site: Club Field, Frisco, TX Events: 401, 402 (JSO) Gene Maurice CD, 2516 Royal Birkdale Drive, Plano, TX 75025 Phone:214-672-7470(day), 972-396-8621 (eve) Sponsor: North Dallas Radio Control Club #1230 Contest information on Club Web Site: www.NDRCC.com



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MARCH 16-17--Fort Worth, TX (C) Metro-Plex Jets Site: North End of Motor Speedway, FW, TX Gary Lucier CD, 300 Pointer Place, Ft. Worth, TX 76002 Phone:817-784-8440(both) Sponsor: Grand Prairie Aeromodelers Association #3369 Jet Fun-Fly for any type of Jet.

MAR 17--Portland, TX (C) Fun-Fly Benefit for San Patricio Animal Shelter Site: Club Field, Portland, TX Betty Lee Mc Iver CD, 4806

Alma Street, Corpus Christi, TX 78411
Phone:361-853-0785(both) Sponsor: Portland Aeros #4766

MARCH 23--Paris, TX (C) North Texas RCCA Club Combat Site: Club Field, Paris, TX Kelvin McFadden CD, 2056 West Sherman, Paris, TX 75460 Phone:903-784-2464(day), 903-737-9577(eve) Sponsor: Paris Radio Control Association #1671 RCCA "B"Open and 2610 Scale. 1st meet of a 9 meet series. RCCA Rules will be used for both classes. For more information Email kmcfadden@neto.com

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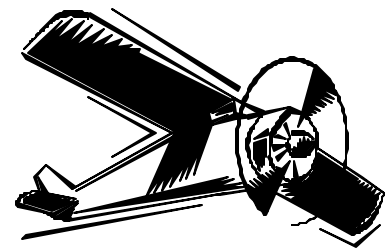
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Items for the Tail Spinner are due by the 25th of the month. Remember that ads are free to members. Send them to:

Roy Baker
3303 Fox Glen
Colleyville, TX 76034
(817) 545-4031

(e-mail) rbaker19@attbi.com

President's Corner

Days are getting longer and warmer. So, it is time to dust off those planes, check radios, and charge-up.

Thanks to Ed Morin for heading up the building party that built the decks from the parking lot to the shelters.

We need all who can come to the work party March 9th to build tables and other things around the field. Anyone who would like to have a cookout for lunch is welcome. Come on out more folks we have the sooner we can finish and do some flying.

Review by-laws and constitution changes to be voted on at the April meeting.

Come to the meeting so you can have a say on the running of the club.

George Clark
trex1@flash.net

February Secretary's Notes

In George Clark's tardiness, the meeting was brought to order by Dave Arnold.

Attendance was 36.

We had 1 new member in attendance: **Richard Hose**. Welcome to the club, Richard.

Frank Mobley gave the Treasurer's report.

Dave Arnold gave the field report. The field is in pretty good shape for this time of year, and should start greening up within a couple of months. Everyone needs to be more careful about not running up their engines in the pits. If you need to "blow out" or adjust your engine, take the plane to a starting table or into the gateway to the runway. Electrics and gliders need to pay more attention to where they are allowed to fly and stop flying over the pits and shelters.

Old Business:

The mall show was discussed and a sign-up sheet was presented. The mall

show was held on March 2nd and 3rd. More info on how the show went in next month's newsletter.

Volunteers are needed for all the club events that are going on this year. Regardless of whether your interests range from small electrics to the giant scale "Big Birds", there will be something that you will enjoy. Contact an officer if you can volunteer your time. Check the event calendar for dates. The first event is the fun-fly combat meet that was held on March 2nd. More info on that next month also.

If you haven't already done so, check out the new club web site. The address is www.flygsw.org. On the site you will see a link to a members only page. Contact a club officer for the member name and password. On this web page you will find information that is generally not open to the public, such as a current club roster.

The club pylon races were discussed briefly. See the article later in the newsletter for more info.

The motion was made and passed that I would be permitted to reorganize the bylaws to more closely match the AMA preferred layout. The revised bylaws will be attached to this newsletter. Please read them and compare them to our current bylaws to make sure I didn't accidentally change anything more than simple wording. A vote will be held at the next meeting to pass the revised format.

The motion was also made and passed to print the clubs new grievance policy in the newsletter for final approval vote and addition to the by-laws at the next meeting. The policy, as approved, is:

1st warning: 3 witnessing members sign the violation form listing rule violation and have violator sign

2nd warning: 3 witnessing members sign the violation form listing rule violation and have violator sign. Present to an officer. 1-month suspension of all flight privileges and club benefits.

3rd warning: 3 witnessing members sign the violation form listing rule violation and have violator sign. Present to an officer. Violator's membership is then revoked

until next meeting when violator will have a chance to argue his case. Final membership revocation to be determined by vote of club members present at meeting. *NOTE: If violating member refuses to sign violation form, a copy of the form shall be sent to them by certified letter.

All violations will be erased from the record on December 31st of each year.

New Business:

There will be a table building party at the field on March 9th. Anyone who can help, please let Jerry Stagner know, or simply show up. Remember, "Many hands make light work."

The motion was made and passed to spend the needed money to build 6 tables.

The motion was made and seconded to change the clubs name to **Greater Southwest Aeromodelers, Fort Worth Texas**. The final club vote to make the name change will be at next months meeting.

There was also a vote to change the club logo. The logo is printed elsewhere in this newsletter. Take a look at it and come to the next meeting to put in your two cents.

A motion was made and a vote was held regarding capping the membership at 250 with the first 200 members being given first renewal options next year. The motion was defeated by popular vote.

The drawing for the gallon of fuel donated by Airport Pawn and Hobby was won by Frank Mobley.

Unfortunately, due to time restraints, there was no time for presentations or model of the month. Bring them next month guys, we'll make time.

The meeting was adjourned by George Clark.

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By-Laws Greater Southwest Radio Control Club

ARTICLE 1: NAME

The name of this club shall be **Greater Southwest Radio Control Club**.

ARTICLE 2: MEMBERSHIP

A: Dues:

Dues for this organization for senior members shall be \$61 per year, payable December 31 of each year regardless of date of application. New members joining during the first year shall pay a \$20 initiation fee plus the amount equal to \$5 for each month remaining in the year, any partial month will be counted as a whole month. Renewing member shall pay full year dues. Dues for a senior member shall include members of his immediate household (living with said member) as long as that family member is a current member of AMA. Dues for members who have attained the age of 62 years shall be half the regular annual fee. Dues shall be waived for the year following an officer's term in office. Newsletter Editors shall also receive a full year membership provided they have held that position for twelve (12) consecutive months. There shall be no special assessments levied upon the membership at any time except by vote and approval of 75 percent of the quorum set forth in ARTICLE V of the CONSTITUTION. Those fees necessary to obtain AMA charter club papers shall be taken from the treasury as necessary. A special fee was approved by a vote of 75% majority at the March 14, 2000 meeting, an assessment of \$15 to be paid by all members at the time of annual renewal and will be placed into the Club savings. This assessment is included in the annual dues, it is for the purpose of new flying site acquisition and/or to maintain and improve the current flying site.

ARTICLE 3: OFFICERS

A: Duties of Officers

- 1: **President** shall preside at all meetings of the CLUB and shall act as spokesman in all matters pertaining to the CLUB.
- 2: **The Vice-President** shall act in place of the President when the President is unable to serve and shall be in charge of field safety and maintenance.
- 3: **The Secretary** shall take minutes at all meetings of the CLUB. He shall keep an up-to-date membership roster and register members with the AMA. He shall notify the membership of all meetings and shall handle the CLUB correspondence. He shall keep membership applications and keys available in all hobby shops that handle membership and shall be responsible for the padlock and keys each year.
- 4: **The Treasurer** shall collect all moneys due the CLUB (dues, special assessments, donations, contest entry fees, auctions, raffles, etc.). He shall pay the CLUB debts and shall keep accurate records of all moneys received and disbursed. He shall present current reports of the Club's financial status at the monthly meetings. At the end of the year, a general accounting will be given showing income from all sources, expenditures and moneys on hand.
- 5: **The Newsletter Editor** shall assemble, edit, and print the final draft of the Newsletter on a monthly basis. He shall also have a sufficient number of copies made that he will mail to all current members to arrive in a timely manner before the next scheduled meeting.

B: Term of Office

All officers shall serve for a period of one (1) year from the date of taking office.

C: Special elections

In the event that an elected officer of the CLUB finds it necessary to terminate his association with the CLUB or resign, a special election shall be held at the earliest opportunity to select a replacement.

ARTICLE 4: MEETINGS

Regular meetings shall be held on a monthly basis at a time and place to be determined by the membership. Special meetings may be called at any time deemed necessary by the Club's elected officers, or by 50 percent of the active membership, provided that notice of the meeting is in the hands of the membership at least three (3) days in advance of the meeting date and the time and place of the meeting is furnished in the notice.

ARTICLE 5: COMMITTEES

The President shall appoint committees for the following named functions as it becomes necessary. A: Entertainment B: Publicity C: Field Maintenance D: Fun Fly E: Training.

The Officers of GSW R/C CLUB shall be standing members on all committees that pertain to CLUB policies in their area of responsibility.

ARTICLE 6: FLYING FIELD

The flying field shall be open for the use of all members in good standing. Each pilot must be a current AMA member. In addition, any pilot operating a transmitter on a HAM frequency must hold a valid FCC license for HAM operation. Expenditures required for the maintenance of a flying field must be approved by the membership as described in ARTICLE V of the CONSTITUTION. At the February 1, 1984 CLUB meeting an amendment was passed that allowed the expenditure of up to \$150 for the care and maintenance of the flying field, provided that two (2) elected officers of the Club have approved the expenditure. At the October 1999 meeting, it was voted upon by majority vote to change the above expenditure amount from \$150 to \$300.

Welcome

We would like to welcome our new members for February:

Michael Moore
Eugene Fowlkes
Yuthadey Mekseree
Richard Hose
Larry Cox

We look forward to meeting each of you at the next meeting, which will be on March 12th at the NRH Rec. Center.

As always, if there is anything you need, please feel free to contact me, or any of the club officers.
Again, Welcome, and Happy Flying.

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scanner on those nights. Anyone who would like to test a transmitter just needs to show up and ask.
Don't forget that the club has a basic and an advanced trainer plane available for the asking. Last year I wanted to start a basic aerobatics training course, but I started too late. This year I'm announcing it now. Anyone who would like to learn basic (and some advanced) maneuvers, let me know.

Together, we trained more than 50 new pilots last year. This year I hope to top that number. Who knows, we might even incorporate combat and pylon racing training if there is any interest.

If there is ever anything I can do to help, I'm just a phone call or e-mail away

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Proposed New Logo and Club Name



Help Please

I lost my Avistar in June in the 'jungle' on the other (west) side of the Trinity about 100 yds upstream of where the pipe crosses the river by the ballparks. I walked in from Trinity Blvd the following Sunday to look for it. The combination of heavy vegetation and my lack of mobility due to a previous hip replacement precluded any meaningful search.

I had hoped to go back in in the January-February timeframe when the vegetation had died back, but the other hip was 'going south' quicker than expected.

As I write this, I've had the other hip replaced, and will be on crutches until May...when the vegetation is back in full force.

I would really like to get the old ST G21.40 w/ Macs muffler, the JR R649 PCM RX, 3 JR 517 servos, and 2 old Kraft KPS-12 servos back.

I can offer a modest \$30 reward for the finder of my equipment.

David Cash
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From the Instructor Coordinator

As I write this its about 30 deg. outside with a wind chill in the single digits, so its hard to believe that flying season is coming soon.

Daylight Savings time begins on April 7th, which means that organized training begins on April 9th. For the first month or so I would like to start the training sessions at 6pm since starting at 7pm will allow only a few minutes of training.

At first there will only be a few students, so it will be a great time for anyone who would like to be an instructor to be "tested".

Something else that will be "new" this year is the availability of the frequency



Hard workers seen at the field!!

ATTENTION ALL RACERS:

**MAY 13TH GSW WILL BE HOLDING THE FIRST
(hopefully of many) PYLON RACES.
IT IS OPEN TO ANY AIRFRAME AND ENGINE COM-
BINATION AND ANY PILOT WITH CURRENT AMA
MEMBERSHIP.
CONTACT CRAIG BEVIL FOR RULES OR IF YOU
CAN HELP AT THE MEET.**



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