



AMA
Chartered
Club
#1140

The Tail Spinner

Greater Southwest Aero Modelers

P.O. Box 1355

Bedford, TX 76021

<http://www.flygsw.org>



2003 AMA Gold Leader Club

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).

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President's Corner

A lot has happened at GSW this month. Your president is looking forward with great anticipation to writing this column. The weather man gave us perfect weather for the Mall Show. When else during the year do we wish for rain on the weekend? He gave us rain on both Saturday and Sunday resulting is a great Mall Show for GSW. We had 38 planes on exhibit, 2 large screen TV's for videos and a flight simulator, and plenty of workers. I would like to thank everyone involved. Special thanks to the following; Event chairman Tony Trimarchi for again doing a great job. Your time and efforts are appreciated, James McGuinness, for arranging for GSW to have two large screen TV's and donating the cost for such, special thanks from everyone, Mark Feuss for bringing the crash videos. Everybody looked great in their new GSW shirts.



new storage van.

3. Hauled dirt to fill low spots and holes in new drainage ditch.
 4. Picked rock from drainage ditch, berm and pit area.
 5. Loaded and hauled out sand from new drainage ditch under north board walk.
 6. Cleaned up and rearranged old storage van.
 7. Organized new storage van.
 8. Fertilized runway and part of pit area.
 9. Applied fire ant killer.
 10. Trimmed grass at fence
 11. Erected bulletin board near coke machine.
- The field was reopened at 10:45 am. See what can be accomplished when a bunch of members show up and pitch in and do their fair share of work. I want to thank everyone who was there, you made my day!!!

Brigadier General USAF William M Guy (Retired) will present our April program on the restoration of the B-36 (Peacemaker) Bomber, located at Carswell. This should be a very interesting program as the B-36 is the largest piston engine powered bomber ever built. The next step is to obtain indoor storage for the restored B-36. This was one of my favorite airplanes as a young kid, so really looking forward to this program.

We still have t-shirts for sale. The Polo's have been sold out. Anyone needing t-shirts should see Frank Mobley or me at the field. I will have the shirts at the April meeting. We will not be ordering more Polo shirts until the t-shirts have

Next Meeting:

**Tuesday, April 13
7:00pm
NRH Parks & Rec
Building**

Hurray, we finally had a work day without rain or snow. For you who didn't show, here's what happened. I don't know how many members were present, but it was a bunch, and a lot of work was done in an hour and a half. The field was shut down a 9:00 am and every one pitched in with vigor to complete the following projects:

1. Hand dug out water line to locate and repair leak.
2. Hauled dirt for the ramp into our

April Event Calendar

APR 3--Fort Worth, TX (UnSanc) G.E. All Electric Fun-Fly. Site: Ft. Worth Thunderbirds, Benbrook, TX. Sponsor: Ft. Worth Thunderbirds #1217. Event: Fun-fly for all types of electrics; Low-key, high fun event. CD: Fitz Walker, 9112 Camp Bowie W. #417, Ft. Worth, TX 76116. Phone (817) 246-3662 e-mail flying_fitz@yahoo.com. Club features 400' paved runway, shelters, A/C power, concessions, and ample parking. More info at club website: www.fwthunderbirds.org

APRIL 3--Malakoff, TX (C) Fun Fly and Swap Meet Site: Club Field, Malakoff, TX Myron Brashear CD, P.O.Box 42, Kerens, TX 75144 Phone:903-396-2185(both) Sponsor: Ceder Creek Aeromodelers #4087 Food and drinks at field. No Landing Fee On site camping, but no hook-ups. CD Email: majb@airmail.net

APRIL 3-4--Waco, TX (AA) HOTMAC Pattern Contest Site: Speegleville Field, Waco, TX Todd Blose CD, 1005 N. Betsy, Waco, TX 76706 Phone:254-662-5587(day), 254-744-9218(eve) Sponsor: Heart Of Texas Model Aircraft Club #613 Directions are on the web site. Any other questions; call Todd or Max Blose. Numbers are listed. CD email: wtwtblose1@aol.com

APRIL 17-18--Austin, TX (C) Central Texas Jet Rally Site: Club Field, 8705 Lindell Rd., Austin, TX Patrick Fernandez CD, 105 Wee Scot Cove, Austin, TX 78734 Phone:512-

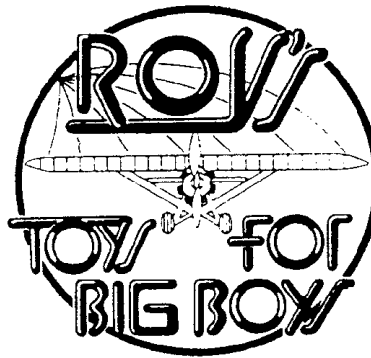
826-2658(both) Sponsor: Austin R/C Association #877 15th Annual event. Turbines and ducted fans only. Friday nite pilot dinner. Saturday nite Steak dinner & awards \$10. Hotel, Maps, & registration available at www.austin-

org. CD Email: pfe@ev1.net

APR 17-18--Dallas, TX (AA) D.M.A.A. Spring Warm Up. Site: Hobby Park, Dallas, TX. Events: (301-310), 312, 313, Sport Jet, Texas Quickie Rat (JSO); Sportsman Goodyear, Goldberg (JS)(O). All Speed Record Ratio; Speed and Sport Jet flown both days; Racing events on Sunday CD: Patrick Hempel, 3005 Bayport Cir., Rowlett, TX 75088 Day Phone: 972-231-2185 Eve Phone: 972-841-8766 E Mail: PHempel@dataconninc.com Sponsor: Dallas Model Aircraft Association #1902.

APRIL 23-25--Austin, TX (C) 6th Annual Any Size Warbird Site: Lester Field, Austin, TX Kenneth White CD, 21046 Cameron Road, Coupland, TX 78615 Phone:512-365-7540 (day), 512-736-3007(eve) Sponsor: Austin

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Tail Spinner Submissions

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

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Colleyville, TX 76034
(817) 545-4031

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been sold. Let's buy em up. The cost of the t-shirts is \$10.00 for sizes S thru XL, and \$11.00 for 2XL. This is the clubs cost.

I would like to encourage more use of our website by GSW members. This is a great tool for exchanging information, checking the events calendar, plus reading your monthly newsletter. We really have a great website and a lot of work goes into keeping it that way. This is a very nice additional benefit you receive by being a member of GSW. Click onto flygsw.org and see what happened. Try it, you might like it!!!!

Get your H.O.R.'s. in shape, Herb Rundy is having H.O.R. DAY on Sunday April 25, beginning at 11:00 am.. Come and test your skills at climb -n- glide, pylon racing and combat. The landing fee is \$13.00 which includes Pizza for lunch. This big little event has been a great money maker for GSW. The last H.O.R funfly had 33 pilots, pass the word, lets see if we can have 50 at this one.

Let's give some thought as to whom you would like to have as your new Officers. According to the By-Laws we will have to have our nominations in May and election in June. Also give some more thought as to our election date and office terms as any changes in this department will require a by-law change.

Pat yourself on the back!!! The April issue of Model Aviation recognized GSW as a Gold Member of the 2003 AMA Leader Club Program. (page 96) AMA has over 2,500 chartered clubs in the United States. I counted a total of 95 Gold Members, which tells me that we are in a very elite group. If my math is correct, that puts GSW in the top 4% of all AMA chartered clubs. Congratulations. Anyone who hasn't received a Leader Club Award hat pin, please contact me. AMA has provided 1hat pin for each member.

"In the Spirit of GSW",
Lewie Moore
President

AGENDA: GSW APRIL MEETING

Call to order

Recognize guest and new members

Treasurers report - Frank Mobley

Field report - Steve French

Flight Instructor Coordinator - Max Ficken

Safety Officer - John Bradley

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mall Show recap
2. work Day
3. 2004 charter
4. Scheduled events - H.O.R. Day - Scale Event - Club Bar-B-Q
5. Fence and Electrical
6. Upcoming election.
7. Any other old business
8. Club auction in May

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Day light savings time
2. Any other new business

PROGRAM: William Guy, Brigadier General USAF (retired) will present a program on the restoration of the B-36 (Peacemaker) Bomber located at Carswell

MODEL OF THE MONTH:

RAFFLE AND DRAWING FOR FUEL:

MEETING ADJOURNED:

March Secretary's Notes

3/9/2004 meeting was called to order by Club President - Lewie Moore.

Members in attendance: 34

The minutes of the February meeting as printed in the newsletter were approved

Treasurers Report – Frank Mobley: Current balance: \$5,988.50

Field Report - Steve French: The field's underground water leak will be repaired during the next work day, Saturday morning 3/20/04.

Flight Instructor's Report – Max Ficken: More flight instructors needed, see Max for further details.

Old Business:

Mall Show - The upcoming mall show will be held on the 13th & 14th of March at the North East Mall. See Tony Trimarchi if you are available to help make this another successful mall show.

Work Day – The March work day is scheduled for 3/20/04, after the Mall Show Weekend, beginning at 9:00 AM.

Club Tee Shirts – Tee shirts and polo style shirts are ready for purchase at the March club meeting, see Lewie Moore for information regarding the club tee shirts.

New Business:

2004 Club Charter – The 2004 club charter will be applied for this month.

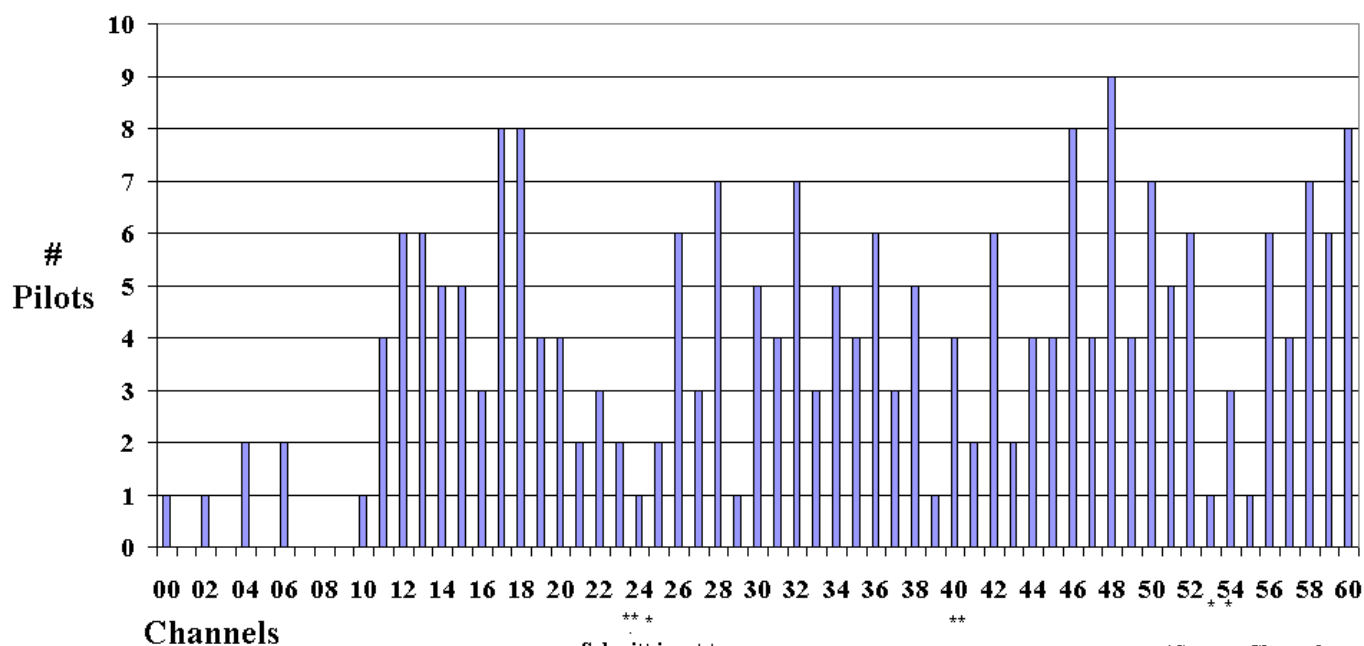
Discussion Of The Election Of Club Officers – There was a discussion about changing the method of electing club officers. There will be a further discussion about the subject during the next club meeting.

Seven Towers R/C Club – There was a discussion by the attending club members regarding the best way our club could invite the Seven Towers R/C club members to fly at the GSWAM R/C club flying field. There will be a further discussion during the April club meeting.

Program – Mark Fuess – 4-stroke Engine Maintenance Part II. Mark demonstrated how to adjust the valve clearance on a 4-stroke engine and how to keep an engine in good working order. The program included a hands-on demonstration of servicing an engine mounted on an aircraft. Good job Mark, we look forward to your next program!

Sonny Coleman - Secretary
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2004 - March
Greater SouthWest Aero Modeler's Club
Frequency/Channel Usage



Prepared & Maintained by
Walt Fisher

Submit input to
gswamfrequencies@flash.net
or 817 540 5921

*Suspect Channels
24,25,39,40,53,54

Instructors

Please contact the instructors to schedule times for instruction.

Max Ficken	Sunday afternoon and Wednesday AM Other times by appointment	Home 817-498-4744 Cell 817 691-9630 Triplane@charter.net
Walt Fisher	Weekdays by appointment	Cell 817-368-6619 Home 817-540-5921 Wlfisher@flash.net
Louie Moore	Weekday & Evenings	817-571-0347 Lfmooretx@aol.com
Mark Fuess	Fridays and Weekends	817-723-7617 mfuess@texas.net
James McGuiness	Call to set time	817-282-3509 Jamcg@attbi.com
John Bradley	Call to set times	817 680 9086
Frank Rowell	Sunday	817 265 2471 Frowell3@comcast.net

From The Safety Officer

I would like to start this month's message by introducing Walt Fisher and Mark Fuess as assistants to my position as Safety Director. Most members are familiar with these two gentlemen. However for those of you who do not know us, we are easily identified by the Safety Administrator badges we wear. Please remember that we are not the "police" but just trying to make all club users aware of the rules since the purpose of those rules is to keep GSW a fun and safe place to fly.

We are still having problems with 3D flying. Once again I'd like to remind members and visitors of GSW field regulations. Paragraph D. subparagraph 4 states:

"Extreme aerobatic or 3-D flying should be done outside the normal established pattern, east of the runway when other planes are flying the pattern. When helos are not using the helipad, hovering, 3-D, combat, and/or extreme aerobatics may be performed over the northern half of the helipad. Helos have priority use of the helipad.

I'd also like to mention that if you do use the helipad for this type of flying, please make sure your flight path **does not** cross the established flight pattern of the runway.

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Radio Control Club #877 Any Military aircraft including jets (Turbine waiver required) any color. Acft. Must have been used by military. Pizza Friday nite. Fajita Dinner Sat. Nite for pilots & guests - \$6 per person. Camping at field w/limited hook-ups @\$5 per nite. Landing fee - \$15. Field phone: 512-272-8402 Cd Email: f9flyer@aol.com

APRIL 24--Sherman, TX (C) Texoma R/C Electric Fly-In Site: Club Field, Sherman, TX Wendell Hubbard CD, 7924 Cold Shire Court, North Richland Hills, TX 76108 Phone:817-777-8230(day), 817-485-1498(eve) Sponsor: Texoma R/C Modelers #267 The fourth annual TRC Electric Fly-In. This is a Fly-In for all electric powered aircraft. RV's welcome. Lunch provided for pilots. Event web site: www.texomarc.org

April Training Report

Walt reports that Mark Patterson has successfully soloed. Congratulations Mark. As daylight saving time approaches we will be resuming training on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Please give the students an opportunity to fly these evening and extend them every courtesy as they progress in this endeavor. If you can help please be at the field these evenings to help. Check with Walt or myself to see who needs assistance. Max Ficken; Instructor coordinator.

New members: Please welcome Roger Guinn and Dick Van Hooser as new members to the Greater Southwest Aero family. It's great to have you in the club.

NAME BADGES

The following have not picked up their name tag badges:

**Jim Diedtrick
Gary Stephens
Rich Clark
Douglas Williams
Phil Philipp
Darrell Davis
John Grahman
Larry Oberbeck**

Your name tag can be picked up at the next meeting or see Lewie at the field

Hello Club members.

My name is Mark Grohe, a local club member, and I am interested in purchasing your new or used RC equipment. I pay only in cash, and can handle large quantities. Give me a call at 682-552-6494 (local Fort Worth number) or email me at mgrohe@yahoo.com.

Mall Show—2004



2004 TEXAS SCALE CHAMPIONSHIPS U.S. SCALE MASTERS QUALIFIER

Date: May 22-23, 2004

Site: BENBROOK LAKE FLYING SITE

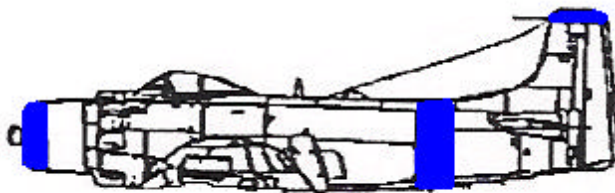
Hosted by the Fort Worth Thunderbirds

EVENTS

TEXAS CHAMPION
EXPERT
SPORTSMAN
TEAM
FUN SCALE

REGISTRATION

\$20 1st Entry
\$10 Additional Entry



EXPERT TEXAS CHAMPION TEAM SCALE

For the more experience builder-flyer. 1st 2nd and 3rd place awards in Expert and Sportsman. Top Expert finishers are also awarded positions at the U.S. Scale Masters Championships in Kansas. Texas Champion highest total score in the contest.

Airtronics RD8000 Radio
Will be awarded to the
Winner of the Sportsman
Class



SPORTSMAN -- FUN FLY

1st 2nd and 3rd place awards in each class. If this is your first scale contest this is the one to enter, help will be available, Fun Scale requires no documentation, (if it resembles the original in shape, it's close enough to win), builder of the model rule does not apply.

SATURDAY May 22

REGISTRATION 8:00 A.M.
STATIC 8:30 A.M.
FLYING STARTS 9:00A.M.



SUNDAY May 23

REGISTRATION 8:00 A.M.
STATIC 8:00 A.M.
FLYING STARTS 8:00A.M.
TROPHY PRESENTATION 1 P.M.

2004 TEXAS SCALE CHAMPION GLENN REILLY-AUSTIN

Contest sponsored by the Forth Worth Thunderbirds and Airtronics Radio Systems
For additional information and pre-registration contact the Contest Directors.

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