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# The Tail Spinner

## Greater Southwest Aero Modelers

P.O. Box 1355

Bedford, TX 76021

<http://www.flygsw.org>



### 2004 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).*

<b>President</b> .....	Mark Fuess .....	(817) 909-6065
<b>Vice President(s)</b> .....	Walt Fisher .....	(817) 540-5921
<b>Secretary</b> .....	Sonny Coleman.....	(817) 251-3940
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<b>Newsletter Editor</b> .....	Roy Baker .....	(817) 545-4031

### President's Corner



If you plan on breaking an engine in at the field, please be considerate to the others by moving your stuff away from the normal pit area. Near the bleachers or the shed would be OK, at least better than the pit area. It's a given that we have a fairly noisy hobby with these internal combustion engines driving our airplanes. But that's not to say we can't be aware of the other people around us, and be a little considerate as to continuous engine running in the pit area.

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I am pleased to announce the Gary Stephens has successfully made GSW an "official" IMAA facility! Our Chapter number is 750. Let's start thinking E V E N T S...

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Greetings, pilots and club members! We are ramping up to another flying season with spring just around the corner! We will be seeing lots of friends and new faces coming out as the weather improves. Please remember, that we all share the facilities and we need to be aware of our fellow enthusiasts. The starting stands are for starting. Please don't hog the stands by parking your planes there. I would also recommend that we all take a moment to read over the field rules posted on our bulleting board. Sort of a "refresher", if you will.

Our regularly scheduled field maintenance is ramping up for 2005. We've begun repairs, upgrades, and general field duties. Please assist us whenever you can, and keep the Spirit of GSW alive. These activities take place on the Saturday following the club meeting, and we typically close the field down during maintenance. However, bring a plane with you! The field shut-down is brief.

I hear the February meeting went well; unfortunately business beckoned me to Detroit that week. Hopefully I won't see Detroit again for awhile! We still have a lot of T-shirts to pedal! So gain some weight & and buy a bigger club shirt...

Mark

**Next Meeting:**

**March 8, 2005  
7:00PM**

**NRH Rec Center**

In recent posts on our website there's been some "lively" discussions regarding mufflers and relative noise. Officially, we don't have any specific by-laws regarding noise, or noise levels. But common sense and common courtesy goes a long way in managing the noise at the field.

**March/April  
Event Calendar**

MAR 18-20--Paris, TX (C) Lone Star Nationals - Paris Site: Club Field. Sponsor: Paris Radio Control Association #1671. CD: Kelvin McFadden, Rt.5 Box 53M, Paris, TX 75460. Phone: 903-517-9879(day) E-Mail: kmcfadden@neto.com We will be flying RCCA Open B, Provisional SSC & 2548 using RCCA rules for each class.

MAR 19--Sherman, TX (C) Texoma RC Electric Fly-In Site: Club Field. Sponsor: Texoma RC Modelers #276. CD: Wendell Hubbard, 7924 Coldshire Court, North Richland Hills, TX 76180. Phone: 817-777-8230(day) 817-485-1498(eve) E-Mail: gwhtoo@charter.net WebSite: www.texomarc.org The fifth annual TRC electric Fly-In. This is a fly-in for all electric powered aircraft. RVs welcome but no hook-ups. Out of town guests are welcome to also fly on Friday and Sunday.

MAR 19-20--Big Spring, TX (C) Indoor Electric Fun-Fly Site: Howard College Coliseum. Sponsor: Big Spring Model Aircraft Association #1526. CD: Robert Williams, 1721 Yale Ave, Big Spring, TX 79720. Phone: 432-816-9470(day) 432-816-9470(eve) E-Mail: rwilliams@howardcollege.edu Howard College Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX Weight Limit - 10oz. Two Li-polys or 6 Ni-Cads max power. \$10 Landing fee

MAR 25-26--Weatherford TX (UnSanc) WAMS Swap Meet Site: Hall Jr. High School, 902 Charles St, Weatherford TX. Sponsor:



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Weatherford Aero Modeling Society #2267.  
CD: Jim Bob Measures, ... Phone: 817-523-7591(day) Entry fee is \$5.00 for adults each day and free for children under 12. Table rental is \$10 per day. Concessions are avail-

able both days with sandwiches, hot dogs, soft drinks and other foods. On Friday March 25, we start the setup at 5:00 PM with a great swap/trade night for all the modeling enthusiast that cannot make it on Saturday. This is not to say it is a small group of people. Many good deals are made on Friday which runs until 9:00PM. You may leave items over night in the building. Saturday March 26, we start at 8:00AM and go until the last radio is raffled off after the auction which is around 3:30 - 4:00. Auction starts about Noon. Many hours of great deals and trades. Even if you don't need anything this event is something just to observe. You see things about modeling you did not know about or had not seen in many years. Also, a Security Patrol is provided while the meet is in progress. Saturday auction starts at noon, and goes until we run out of items. WAMS

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Fort Worth, Texas 76118  
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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:

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

(e-mail) [rbaker19@comcast.net](mailto:rbaker19@comcast.net)

## February Meeting Minutes

The February 2005 meeting was called to order by Club Vice-President Walt Fisher at the North Richland Hills Community Center.

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

**Treasurers Report:** James McGuiness gave the treasurers report. This month there were no major expenses. There were 143 new and renewing club members signed up already for 2005.

**Flight Instructor Coordinator:** Max Fickin gave the instructors report. A plaque was given out to Rick Crippen the latest pilot to complete his solo flight.

### Old Business:

**North East Mall Show:** March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, Starting Saturday Morning at 8:00 AM till 9:00 PM, Sunday 12:00 PM till 4:30 PM. Enter the mall through the Dillard's entry.

**Club Web Site:** Be sure the visit the Greater Southwest Aero Modeler's web site at: <http://www.flygsw.org>. There is a current membership roster in the "Members" area and be sure to check out the club's "Tech" site, there's an abundance of useful information available.

Sonny Coleman - Secretary  
817-251-3940  
[Sonny@flygsw.org](mailto:Sonny@flygsw.org)

## AGENDA March 2005

- 1.. OPEN Meeting 7:00 membership renewals, and new memberships
- 2.. Sonny Coleman will read last months minutes for approval, James McGuiness report on Financial status, Walt Fisher on Maintenance status.
- 3.. Introduce VISITORS and new members
- 4.. Hand out Solo Flight certificates. and any other certificates.
- 5.. Discuss Maintenance issues and plans
- 6.. Turn the Floor over to Gary Stephens for an update on EVENTS and our IMAA activity
- 7.. Turn the floor over to Max Ficken for trainee announcements and other new-

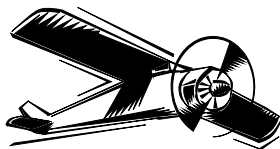
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8.. OPEN floor to the membership for discussions and proposals:

- (1) Follow up on a East West run-way proposal. CLOSE PROPOSAL
- (2) Plan on leveling the pit area, scheduling
- (3) Schedule leveling the field, Presidents review of last months maintenance.
- (4) Display and discuss the RCV field testing, look for volunteers
- (5) Review the Mall Show and discuss next years plans
- (6) Sonny announce improvements and changes on the website.

9.. Model of the Month, and Close Meeting

SIDELINE Activities: GSW Polo Shirt sales, memberships, & renewals.



## Event Coordinator Notes

Looking to have some fun indoors ????  
Go to the mall show on March 5th & 6th. You will have a good time talking about our hobby to all of the people that stop by and look at the planes.

Herb will have a H.O.R. Fun fly on March the 20th at 11:00 a.m. The LF will be \$ 15.00 with a pizza lunch for the pilots. He will have a flyer at Roy's Hobby Shop with all of the info.

On April the 16th we will have a any-size warbird fly-in.

On May the 8th we will have the GSW Club Auction at the field at 1:00 p.m. A NO CHARGE AUCTION just come to the field to buy & sell, and have some fun !!!!!!!!!!!

On June the 25th & 26th will be the BIG bird with a BBQ dinner on Saturday night.

I will list more fly-ins in the newsletters as the year goes on, but it's better to check the web site when you can.

Gary Stephens.....

RCV of England has sent Greater Southwest Aero Modelers on of their RCV 58-CD rotary cylinder four stroke engines for review.



### RCV 58-CD Features

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I am looking for a volunteer to give this engine a complete review. You may use your airplane, or GSW can provide one complete with radio & servos. RCV has provided all the break-in and flight requirements for the review and documentation. This is a supreme opportunity to try out a revolutionary engine at someone else's expense! Any-one interested in performing this evaluation should contact me at [mark.fuess@comcast.net](mailto:mark.fuess@comcast.net), or call me at 817-282-9434. We can discuss the RCV requirements and your application.

This is quite an honor, since RCV doesn't send out engines to just any old club!

# *Greater Southwest Aero Modelers*

## Big Bird Fly-in 2005

Saturday & Sunday June 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

AMA Sanctioned

Pilot Registration at 8:00 am Flying at 9:00 to 4:30

The sky is yours for 3D flying at 10:30, 12:00, 1:30, 2:30 & 3:30.



80" Monoplane, 60" Biplane or 1/4 scale, No turbines

- \* Lots of open & 3D Flying
- \* Pilots BBQ Dinner
- \* Raffle
- \* Awards
- \* Concessions

50' x 600' Grass Runway at Club Field 6903 Randol Mill Rd. Ft.Worth, TX

Please NO Channel 24, 25, 39, 40, 53, & 54.

Landing Fee \$ 20.00 Includes 1. Dinner Ticket For Saturday Night.  
Additional Dinner Tickets \$ 5.00 Per Person.

CD: Jerry Kara Phone # 682-518-9009 Email G. Kara@comcast.net  
Additional Club Information at [www.flygsw.org](http://www.flygsw.org) or Gary Stephens 817-431-4121  
Email Gary.Stephens@worldnet.att.net

## GSW February Saturday Workday

Our February workday was one of the best we've had in a long time! All of the tables are in top condition and the bleachers & picnic table look brand new! Our run-up stands are ready of action, plus the REV "C" giant scale stand is in place. I'd like to extend a warm thank you to all of you that participated in making GSW a place to be proud of...

This month's work-force consisted of these fine people; (in no particular order):

- Joel Jerabek**
- Bob Mueller**
- Mark Fuess**
- Roy Baker**
- Lewie Moore**
- Rick Crippen**
- Patrick Wright**
- Walt Fisher**
- Bob Cummings**
- Don Leaf**
- John Graham**
- Jim Ryan**
- Chuck Rovell**
- Steve Hutchinson**
- Gerald Hayslip**
- Bill Kolt**
- Frank Rowell**
- Mark Buesing**
- Vaughn Hambler**
- Scott & Charlie Spoolstra**



The Control Line WORKERS were:

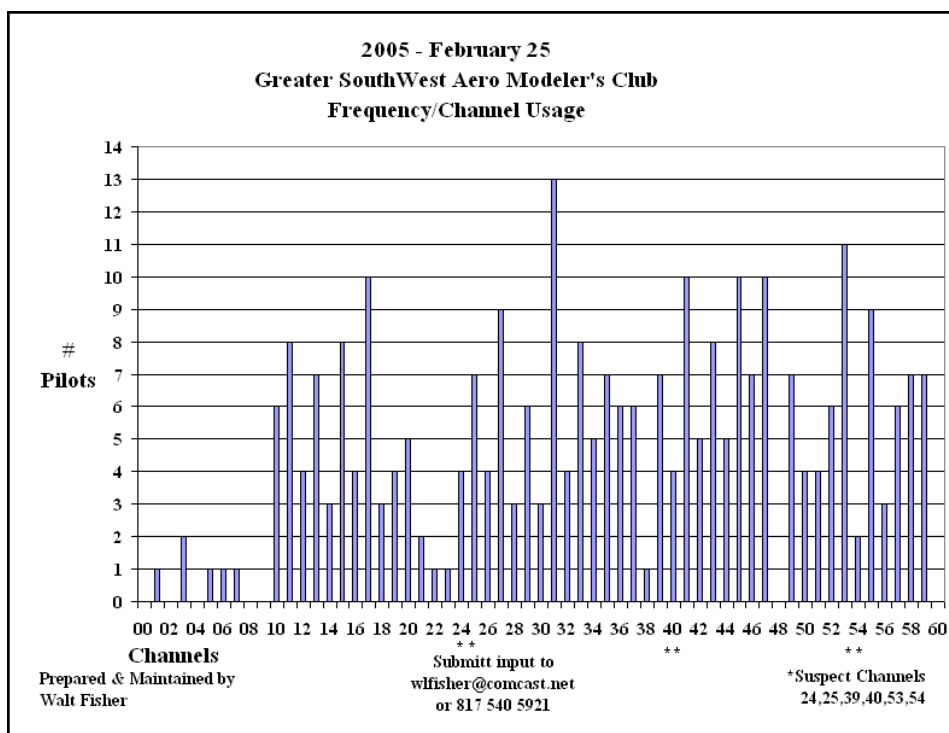
- Bill Wilson**
- Michael Nezell**
- Dave Ek**
- Don Hutchinson**
- Dale Gleason**

Our WORKDAY raffle winners were: ROY BAKER, JIM RYAN, and BILL KOLT. These gentlemen were recipients of our new GSW Polo Shirts.

Thanks again, for a job WELL DONE!

You all get a gold star!  
Thanks!

Mark Fuess





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collect a 10% sellers fee if the item is sold. No charge for no sales. Items can only be auctioned once. We except items for auction up to the time it starts. We auction in order that the items are received. So, if you need to leave early or need money to bid on another item register your item early. We have always had great radios to raffle because people like winning one and for a small investment you could go home with a new 6 channel radio. There are 2 radios raffled off. The first goes at the start of the auction. The second radios goes about mid-way through the auction and the final radio goes home after the auction is over. I even won one and I never win prizes! Every paid admission ticket includes a entry into the drawing for a Futaba radio. You need not be present to win. Other radios and prizes are available for \$1.00 each or 12 tickets for \$10.00).

APR 09--Malakoff, TX (C) Fun-Fly and Swap Meet Site: Club Field, Malakoff, TX. Sponsor: Cedar Creek Aero-Modelers #4087. CD: Myron Brashear, P.O. Box 42, Kerens, TX 75144. Phone: 903-396-2185(day) E-Mail: majb@airmail.net Food and drink will be available. Camping on site and motels in the area.

APR 09-10--Knox City, TX (A) Texas Chief's Spring Sailplane Contest Site: Houck Farm. Events: 442, 444, 460 (JSO) Sponsor: Texas

Chiefs MAC #1732. CD: Ervin E. Frierson, Box 188, Haskell, TX 79521. Phone: 940-864-3086 (day) 940-864-3086(eve)

APR 16--Ft. Worth, TX (C) Warbirds Over Fort Worth, TX Site: Club Field, Ft. Worth, TX. Sponsor: Greater Southwest Aeromodelers #1140. CD: Max Ficken, 8216 Hallmark, North Richland Hills, TX 76180. Phone: 817-498-4744 (day) 817-498-4744(eve) E-Mail: triplane@charter.net WebSite: www.flygsw.org Club Field - 6903 Randal Mill Road, Fort Worth. Any size warbird, \$10 Landing fee. 50' X 600' grass runway, flying 9:00 to 4:30. Door prizes, concessions, awards. Bad Channels - 24, 25, 39, 40, 53, 54. No turbines Please!