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President’s Notes

Tim is on vacation in Utah this month, but he did want to pass along the message that Fort Worth has approved our plans to install a sprinkler system at the field.

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4th FUN FLY

If you didn't attend, you missed some great aircraft and some even better flying. Other than it getting a “little” hot and having a strong crosswind it was a fun time. We didn't have any major crashes and only a few minor mishaps (gear collapses and nose-overs) which made for a fun day. You can find additional pictures posted on our club gallery.

I want to thank everyone who came out to fly and/or take part in the 4th Fun Fly. Twenty pilots signed the roster, but we had one or more flying who didn't sign up (something about independence). Special thanks to Max Fiken for helping me through my first CD experience. I didn't want to solo my first time out. Also, special thanks to the following for their help in making the event a success: Walt Fisher for assisting in the bulletin distribution, for flying so many first timers on his buddy box and for taking and posting so many good pictures, Dan Webster for handling the announcements on the PA system and finally, Lee Rice and all of the cooking staff who took the additional heat of the grills to cook a wonderful lunch for everyone. The last cook there even fed a family of five who were late arrivals. He still had some burgers and hot dogs ready to be served and made them feel really welcome. They all showed a real interest in the hobby and stated that they would be back to visit. His actions really showed the GSW spirit. I would also like to thank Lawrence for volunteering to run some special events, but then agreeing not to so we could just have open flying.

In closing, I again want to thank all helpers and participants who made the day special.

Chuck Rovell

GSW Events for 2009

August 15th or 16th
Fun Fly

August 21
Club Auction
Temple Baptist Church

September 12th
Warbird Flyin
Any size Warbird welcome
Concessions

October 10th
All Scale Flyin
Any Scale model eligible to participate.
Concessions

November 7th
GSW Food Drive
Entry is nonperishable food stuff for the needy.
Concessions

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July Event
Calendar

JUL 18--San Antonio, TX (A) Lone Star Soaring Series. Site: Club Field. GPS Coordinates: 29.472347941141, -98.209254110134 E-Mail: reb2ntx@verizon.net Web Site: www.hotss-rc.org RES & Open Class Sailplane Contest.


JUL 19–Grapevine, TX (C) 114th Float Fly. Site: Meadowmere Park. GPS Coordinates: 33.644011, -96.750229 Events: Sponsor: 114th RC Aerosquadron #1318. CD: Wendell Hubbard, 7924 Coldshire Court, N. Richland Hills, TX 76180. Phone: 817-308-1100(day) E-Mail: hubbardwendell@hotmail.com Web Site: www.114thrc.org Come join the 114th RC for a Float-Fly on Lake Grapevine. Lunch will be provided for pilots. 9am to 5pm.

JUL 19–Sherman, TX (A) Texoma Summer Scorcher 1. Site: Pete Darter Field. GPS Coordinates: 33.644011, -96.750229 Events: 750 & 760 (JSO) Sponsor: Texoma RC Modelers #276. CD: Robert Starr, 3337 Pine Tree Court, Farmers Branch, TX 75234. Phone: 972-247-7611(day) 972-247-7611(eve) E-Mail: robert.i.starr@gmail.com Web Site: www.texomarc.org Come Join North Texas Combat. 8 rounds of SSC, 4+ rounds of 2548. Pilot's meeting @9am. Lunch provided.


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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(817) 455-0922 (cell)
(e-mail) reb2ntx@verizon.net
The June 2009 business meeting was called to order by club president Tim Lovett at the McDonalds Restaurant at 769 W. Airport Freeway Hurst, TX 76053.

The business meeting minutes of the May meeting as printed in the newsletter were approved.

April Minutes Addendum: The April business meetings minutes did not include the attending membership’s approval and allotment of funding for the Biplane event’s prizes.

Visitors/New Members: Larry Stanfield

Treasurers Report: No major expenditures reported in May.

Old Business:

Field Sprinkler System Update: Frank Rowell will seek additional bids for the runway sprinkler system installation in order to compare costs and value added features involved in the sprinkler system installation project. There was a discussion regarding the use of the heavier schedule-40 PVC piping vs. the lighter grade plastic piping usually used in sprinkler system installations. Additional funding ($1,500.00) for the flying field facility sprinkler system installation was provided by Jody Stagner, Jerry Stagner’s daughter. Several club members also contributed substantial funding for the sprinkler system project. Club members Bill Tarver ($100.00), Bill Wilson ($200.00), Chuck Rovell ($500.00), and Bob Buckheit ($500.00) contributed to the sprinkler system project.

Flying Field Soft Drinks: The canned drink cost from the soft drink machine at the flying field was lowered to .50 cents, and they are currently available for that price.

Weedeater Purchase: A motion was made, seconded, and approved by the attending club members to allot up to $400.00 in funding for the purchase of two weedeaters to replace the non-running existing trimmers.

BBQ Grill Replacement: A motion was made, seconded, and approved by the attending club members to allot up to $400.00 in funding for the purchase of two replacement BBQ grills. The bottoms of the existing grills have pretty much rusted out and are in need of replacement.

Texas Scale Championship: Volunteer scale judges and workers are needed for the June 13th & 14th event. See Max Ficken or Lawrence Harville if you would like to assist in the event. The winner of the championship event will receive an Airtronics RDS8000 radio system (and some serious bragging rights).

4th of July Fun-Fly: Chuck Rovell and Max Ficken will be organizing the fun-fly. No landing fees and free food and drink will be provided for the contestants.

Summer Auction: Our next club auction will be held August 21st at the Temple Baptist Church located across the street from the flying field on Randol Mill Road. The auction will begin at 7:00 P.M. Sellers, bring your R/C plane related gear to be auctioned off starting at 6:00 P.M.

Special thanks go out to Papa Smurf, (Ed Morin) for the brush hogging of the flying field perimeter areas. Ed and his tractor mower were out working in some pretty serious heat so we can go fetch our aircraft without braving the high grass, grass burrs, and sneaky critters. Thanks Ed!

Club Shirts and Hats: If you would like to purchase a club polo style shirt or cap see Chris or Karen Proctor at the flying field.

Model of the Month: Lewie Moore won June’s Model of the Month award with his Carl Goldberg Freedom-20 trainer. The aircraft’s power plant is an O.S. 25FX. Side Note: Lewie actually learned to fly with this fully refurbished trainer aircraft many, many years ago.

Club Web Site: Be sure to 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 – Club Secretary
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December 12th
GSW Toys for Tots
Entry Fee New unwrapped toys for the Marines Toys for Tots Program.
Concessions

December 12th
Christmas Party

Tentative Calendar for 09. If you would like to CD a fun fly or any of the other events let me know and I will be happy to assist you. Some of the dates are flexible and some are not. Please let me know of questions, suggestions or oversights. Max triplane41@att.net 817-691-9630

Texas Scale Championship

Man what a great turn out and the help from GSW membership was above first rate. Seems like every time I looked up another GSW member was helping us out.

The scores after 6 flying rounds were separated by a point or less - in some cases-- pretty tough contest. We like it like that..

Now the results

Fun Scale
1 Sonny Coleman--winnner of a new Airtronics radio!!!
2 Ed Couch
3 Doc Bill Chambers

Expert Scale
Lee Rice
Lawrence Harville
Olen Rutherford

Team Scale
Ed Newman-Lee Rice

Pilots Choice
Lee Rice Bearcat

Texas Scale Champion 2009 Lee Rice
We Had a Ball

Thanks GSW for putting on the Largest-Best Texas Championships

Lawrence-Max
Texas Scale Championships 2009

Lee Rice - 2009 Texas Scale Champion

CDs - Max & Lawrence
GSWAM July 4th Fun Fly -con’t
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McDonald’s #13021
Belknap St & HWY 177
Haltom City, Texas 76117
Manager: Marlene Flores

McDonald’s #16807
Cheek Sparger & HWY 121
Bedford, Texas 76021
Manager: Bridgett Wickerham

McDonald’s #29446
Precinct Line Rd & Harwood St
(Inside Wal-Mart)
Hurst, Texas 76053
Manager: Maricella Perez

McDonald’s #10145
Handly-Ederville & HWY 121
Richland Hills, Texas 76118
Manager: Kathy Thompson

Please call with any questions:
Jason Blanton
Supervisor
Cell: 817-825-1932

I wanted to let everyone know that there is a lot of road construction going on, so I wanted to send you a revised map to our float fly. Instead of taking the N. Carroll Ave. exit off of State Hwy 114, you will want to take the N. Kimball Ave exit off of 114. Once you’re on N. Kimball, follow the signs to Meadowmere Park. We will also have some float fly signs up as well. This is going to be a great event, so I’m looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Dewey Walker
Vice President
114th RC Aero Squadron

114th RC Aero Squadron's
1st Annual Float Fly

Sunday, July 19 2009

Location: Meadowmere Park
Lake Grapevine, TX
GPS Coordinates: Latitude & Longitude 32° 58’ 09.5” N 97° 07’ 03.1”

Registration Starts at 8:30am
$15 Landing Fee Includes Lunch
Park Entry is Free for Pilots with AMA Card

Come Fly Lake Grapevine

AMA Sanctioned Event
For more information
Contact Dewey Walker at vicepresident@114thrc.org
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Greater Southwest Modeler’s Club
Frequency/Channel Usage

NOTICE! There is interference on channels 24, 25, 39, 40, 53, and 54, therefore flying on these channels is banned.