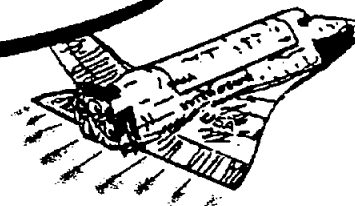


The R C Flyer



January 1996

The News Letter of the *Manned Space Center Radio Control Club*

President's Corner

Bill Landoc

Greetings for 1996. I hope each of you had a most enjoyable holiday session. This is traditionally a time to make resolutions for the coming year. So I would like to share with you some of the goals I have for the club for 1996. Hopefully by the time you read this the club's officers will have met and established a plan for implementing these goals. First is to get more participation -- more attendance at meetings, more folks out flying, and more people at the club's special events. Second is to develop and provide a comprehensive membership information packet to all club members. And third is to complete the club trainer (also add another one), and establish a program to involve youth and others who are new to the hobby in a positive flying experience before they have to make a major dollar investment. Come to the January meeting to hear more about these and other plans for the coming year.

The club Christmas party was a very good time for all. There was plenty of tasty food and an opportunity to visit with club members and families. There was also a display of pictures taken at the October fun fly and cook-out. (Our most successful events seem to also involve food.) A special thanks to Dave Hoffman, and his new fiancée (congratulations Dave) for getting the party trays,

drinks, red and green bread, and all the accessories.

As is traditional, we also held a drawing at the Christmas party for prizes for those who had attended the vast majority of meeting during the year, and thereby qualified for the attendance awards. The lucky winners were -- Don Fisher, who won first prize of \$50. Ray Randolph, who won second prize of \$25. And Jeff Longmore, who won third prize of \$10. Hope to see more of you at next year's meetings so that you too can have your name added to the hat.

The safety addendum for sharing the antenna range with the rocket club has been signed and submitted to NASA. Lou Parker, who is the JSC official assigned to coordinate external group activities, says that all our papers now appear to be in order, and he will submit the request for site re-authorization to senior center management for formal approval. Maybe this year long odyssey will soon come to an end. In the mean time, and as always, fly carefully.

In accordance with the new safety policy, a boater's air horn has been purchased and placed in the big white box at the flying field. Whenever the rocket club is present, this horn is to be sounded if there is an out-of-control airplane. When the weather improves, we will also be painting yellow lines on either side of our flight area, and erecting signs to remind folks to stop and wait to be motioned on, before crossing the flight area.

Words From The VP

Michael Laible

The Christmas party was a huge success. Those who did not attend really missed a delightful feast. Thanks to Bill we even had music this year. What a nice touch. It was alarming to hear about Bill's unfortunate experience with the hot air balloon. It seems everything is going to be alright and I hope his full recovery is speedy.

Can you believe it is 1996. It seems like the time is flying by. At the January meeting I should have a first cut at the MSC RC Handbook. I plan to have all the by-laws, constitution, safety laws, and general information captured in this book. I am looking for any information regarding the history of the Club. Mr. Kiker/Hoffman - Hint, Hint. I feel this is really needed and will assist old and new members.

I am continuing to flight test the "Sorta Pattern". With the help of Charles Copeland, the plane should get a good ringing out. I would really like someone to volunteer to build the second prototype. If anyone is interested please call me at 474-1255. My father is making progress on the "Sea Fury". This should be a beautiful bird. It has a wing span of 63" and a length of 54", 7" diameter cowl - no problem for an engine. I am putting a .61 HB PDP in it, should be plenty of power, especially without retracts. The plane should be really fast do to the scale airfoil (12.5%). Landings should be fun. Watch out in the next Fun Fly air race. Jeff is still the one to beat on the climb and glide.

I need your help. If anyone has a suggestion for entertainment during this year please give me a call.

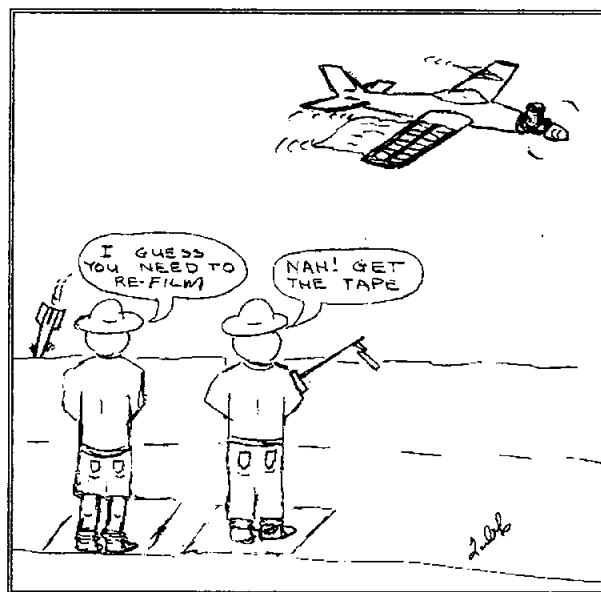
Integrity is doing the right thing even when no one is looking.

Newsletter Editor

Michael R. Laible

I have recently loaded the MSC RC homepage onto the Internet. Yes, believe it or not the club has entered cyberspace. I do not know what this will do for the club, but it can't hurt. The address is "http://www.phoenix.net/~mlaible" or can be accessed through the RC web Directory at "http://www.towerhobbies.com/rcweb.html". If possible, everyone should take a look. Please make comments or suggestions.

Lighter Than Air



Guess Who?

**Next Meeting on Thursday
January 11th 7:30 PM
Clear Lake Park Building**

Tips from the Field

Michael Laible

An easy and cheap way to obtain an instrument panel for that sport model is to look through a full-size plane magazine for an advertisement showing instruments. I found one I liked and used my scanner to scan the image into the computer, and then pasted it into my word processor, scaling it to different sizes. This could also be done using a copy machine that will reduce. If using the computer, any size can be easily scaled, and I printed out several different sizes to have on hand. The ones I did were all in black and white, but if you have access to a color scanner and color printer, some really nice instrument panels can be made this way. One could also add color to black and white copied instruments using markers or colored pencils for even more realism. An instrument panel really adds a finishing touch to any model. Happy Modeling!

Minutes from the December 1995 Meeting

Don Fisher - Secretary



Bill Langdoc brought the meeting/Christmas party to order at 7:45 PM.

Old Business

Their were no minutes of the previous meeting.

Bill announced that an air horn would be kept in the flight box for emergency use during sharing days

with the Rocket Club.

Bill Langdoc brought in a display of pictures his wife took during the Fall Fun Fly.

A year end attendance drawing was held. the winners were Don Fisher 50.00, Ray Randolph 25.00 and Jeff Longmore 10.00 dollars.

Treasurer's Report

Still in the red.



Model of the Month

There was no model of the month entries.

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1996 MSC/RCC Calendar

Date	Event
January 11	MEETING
February 8	Meeting, Hoot Gibson
March 14	Meeting
March 23	Proposed Fun Fly
April 11	Meeting
May 9	Meeting
May 25	Proposed Fun Fly
June 13	Meeting
July 11	Meeting
July 27	Proposed Fun Fly
August 8	Meeting
August 23-25	Ballunar Festival
September 12	Meeting, Nominations
September 28	Fun Fly Annual BBQ
October 10	Meeting, Elections
November 14	Auction
December 12	Christmas Party

Hoot is Rescheduled to FEBRUARY



A sample of the fun fly!!!

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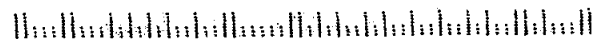
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John Campo	488-7748
Tas Crowson	474-9531
Don Fisher	474-4942(H) 483-2157(W)
Wayne Green	484-3151
Don White	488-1024

Instructors

John Campo	488-7748
Charles Copeland	474-1195
Paul Ellis	480-3839(H) 488-9878(W)
Don Fisher	474-4942(H) 483-2157(W)
Mike Goza	
(Heli and Airplane)	554-4016(H) 483-4696(W)
Wayne Green (Heli)	484-3151
Jerry Hajek	486-4722(H) 246-4312(W)
David Hoffman	476-5206(H) 479-1945(W)
David Tadlock (Glider)	481-5227