



NEWSLETTER

April 7, 1976

MEETING NOTICE

Date: Thursday 4/8/76

Time: 7:30 P.M.-10:30 P.M.

Where: SW Savings Association
Nasa #1 & Nassau Bay Dr.

Program: "How Airplanes Fly"
by Lars Giertz

Model building and flying activity has been on the upswing with the arrival of those warm spring evenings and weekends. With the NASA site open again and a good supply of fuel there's no excuse for not getting out and doing some flying.

In the building department Dave Church finally turned out his latest stand-off scale rendition of both he and Sharon. The project took about 9 months but I suspect Sharon did most of the construction on the models. They weighed in at about 5 1/2 lbs and both Dave and Sharon will be doing a lot of trimming with their new additions. Congratulations to the both of them and I hope the cigar smoke won't be too bad at the meeting.

On the more serious side the new club membership identification badges have been sent out to all paid up members. The special plastic holders will be available at the meeting and it behoves everyone to attend. Remember that your AMA license must be included in the pouch to validate the card. Remembering to bring it to the field is a problem which can be easily solved by keeping it in your flight box or clipping it to the transmitter antenna. If you forget either of these items you can't fly anyway.

Security will be periodically checking our activities at the site and you had better have your badge. Actually the badge is a good way of remembering fellow members names (if your like me with names).

The visiting flier rule should be mentioned now and flying priveleges are extended only to out-of-town guests with a valid AMA and FCC license. Also you must also be present when your guests fly. As stated in previously newsletters this is quite little to ask of everyone to fly on such a great field as we are priveleged to use for our hobby.

Another QUICKIE 500 race is scheduled for Sunday April 11 and we are again asking for volunteers to help out. Remember that we all voted for the races and it is our duty to support them. Any organization is only as strong as support given to it by its members and it is a good time to do your share. As a correction to last month's newsletter the following MSCRCC members worked as officials in our February race. Bob Besch, Ben Issac, Dell Klotz, Lenny McGill, Kerry Powell and Art Watson. Additionally we had 9 other volunteers including friends, wives, and several from the Texas City club. So make plans now to give a couple hours of time on Sunday towards this club activity.

Pylon Corner

The last Quickie race was held on March 21st by the Thunderbirds at their Benbrook flying field. The MSCRCC was well represented with Art Arro, Paul Claeys, Dennis Drysdale, Harvey Duck, Mel Brewer, W. T. Lummus and James Raines participating. The weather was excellent and the race was well organized with a total of 25 entrants. After 5 rounds of fast and furious racing it was W. T. Lummus in first, Dennis Drysdale tied for second and Art Arro tied for fourth. Dennis and Gale Helms flew off, midaired and Gale won second with a coin toss. Art couldn't get a good engine run in his flyoff heat and settled for a fifth place plague. All placing engines were torn down by Ed Rankin and found to be okay. The good showing by MSCRCC is helping to put Houston back on the racing map after a long absence.

Contest Clippings

In addition to the Ft. Worth race there was a fun-fli sponsored by the Houston R/C Club and a glide-meet by the Houston Area Soaring Association last month. Also the first formal Pattern and Stand-off Scale contest was held in San Antonio last weekend. The fun-fli had rainy weather but 9 souls braved the elements to fly their planes. The glider contest had a good turnout but to the best of my knowledge no MSCRCC members participated in either the fun-fli or the glider contest. In San Antonio, Charles Danley won first place in Advanced Pattern to set the pace for the season. Dick McGuire, formerly with the MSCRCC, placed second in Advanced Pattern along with a Scale trophy also. The Texas City and HARKS members attended this contest also and both clubs really brought home the goodies.

Contest Schedule

April 11	-	MSCRCC Quickie Race. Be sure to attend.
April 24-25	-	Corpus Christi, Texas. Pattern, Sport Scale, Byplane, Fun Fli, Glider, Quarter Midget and Sport Pylon.
May 1, 2	-	Beaumont, Texas. Handicap Pylon, Quarter Midget, and Quickie.
May 8,9	-	Ft. Worth. Quarter Midget, Formula I.
May 23	-	Houston, HARKS Quickie 500 (Tentative).

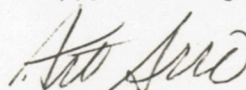
Please contact Paul Claeys or myself for further information on these contests. There are generally several empty seats on the way to out-of-town meets and will welcome any MSCRCC members to join us.

SWAP LIST

Craft-Air VM-1 Expeded Scale Voltmeter \$5.00. Contact Art Arro, 488-5758.
Fox HAWK 60 Engine-Factory Special \$60.00. Contact Charles Danley (1) 424-8017.
Top Flite P-51 kit \$35.00. Contact Harvey Duck, 488-7493
W. E. Expert 7 Channel R/C System. Two stick. 5 servos including retract servo 72.320 MHZ \$195.00. Miller Spray Outfit \$30.00. Contact Paul Claeys 488-6407

That's all for now and remember Thursday is raffle night with a Miss World Kit and/or a 12 Volt Gel-Cell for prizes. The program will be very informative also.

Happy Landings,


Art Arro