



The R/C Flyer

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Next Meeting – Thursday, October 10, 2002 at 7:00pm - Clear Lake Park Bldg.

September Meeting Minutes

By: Mike Goza, JSCRCC Secretary

The Meeting started at 7:10pm 9/12/2002

Old Business:

September Fun Fly has been postponed due to conflicts with other events in the area.

New Business:

It was proposed the club purchase another popup tent for the field. Herman will look into a box or something to store the tent if purchased.

Nominations for officers were taken.

President: John Boyle

Vice President: James Hornsby

Secretary: Mike Goza

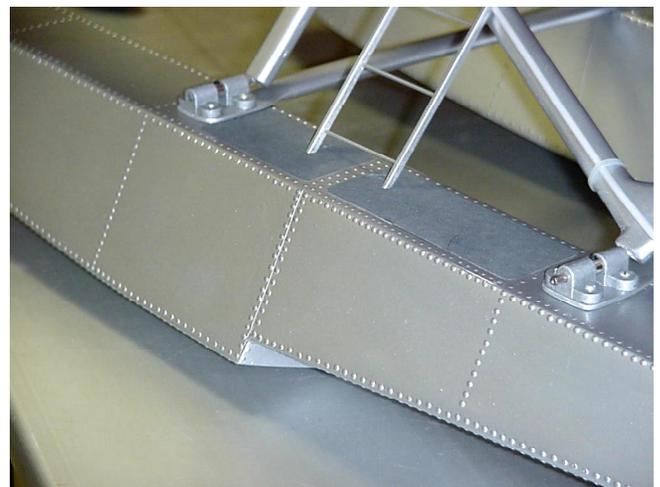
Treasurer: Dave Hoffman

Model of the Month (MOM):

Herman Burton won model of the month with his Sig LT40 trainer fitted with floats. It uses Great Planes floats and was covered with Monokote



Herman Burton with his Model of the Month



Check out the detailing on Herman's floats!

Jerry Beamguard brought a lost plane finder. He fitted one into a plane and the other was assembled on a breadboard for show and tell.



Entertainment:

There was no entertainment for this month. True Turn will be here for the next meeting's entertainment. (*Editor: See update below*)

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm

Creature Comforts for Hot Summer Days

By: Herman Burton

At the last club meeting, I suggested the club buy a new 10' X 10' E-Z Awning. Sam's Club has them for sale for \$200. They are easy to install, can be set up in less than 10 minutes, are totally self-supporting in moderate winds, can be anchored for hard winds, and would be nice to have in the summer for our flying activities at the JSC flying site. A motion was made for a study to determine

1. How could the awning be safely stored at the site?
2. How would it be made available for use?
3. Who would be responsible?

The awning comes from the factory in a cardboard box approximately 15" square and about 4 feet long. I would offer to build a permanent plywood box of suitable dimensions to store the new awning in at the site. This box would be watertight.

The existing transmitter impound structure has adequate room to build another shelf below the lowest existing shelf

for permanent storage of the new awning, in its plywood box. I will be glad to build the new shelf.

I would propose a steel, locking hasp be installed (I will design and install this, too) for a combination lock to be inserted to prevent the new awning from "growing legs and walking off". The officers of the club could determine who would have access to the combination lock.

I am guessing the new shelf, the watertight plywood box, and the steel hasp/combination lock would cost some \$50 to \$75, so the total cost for the "ready to use" awning is estimated to cost slightly less than \$300. The main advantage over the present awning is ease of setup.

I will be out of town for the October meeting. If anyone is interested in this, please present it to the membership for their consideration.

October Meeting Presentation Re-scheduled

Mr. Bob Obenberger of Romco Inc. asked to re-schedule his talk on Tru-Turn spinners (which his company manufactures) to the December (X-mass Party) meeting. There will be door prizes and drawings. Mr. Obenberger apologizes for the delay.

October Fun Fly

By: Fun Fly Committee

As mentioned in the minutes, the September Fun Fly was cancelled and the events scheduled for that Fun Fly will be carried over to the October Fun Fly. Food and soft drinks will be available again, but this time it's BBQ instead of hot dogs. Registration will start at 8:30 and flying at 9:00am with Brian Morris as the CD. The events are:

Alarm Clock Pylon:

1. Start engine and take off.
2. Circle pylons until all contestants are airborne.
3. Time starts when whistle is blown.
4. First contestant to pass the finish line after the second whistle blow is the winner.
5. Stay airborne until the CD tells you to land.

Luck and Go:

1. Start Engine.

2. Position plane for take off (use helper for safety).
3. Go to dice table. Pick up dice and roll until "7" is thrown.
4. At roll of "7" take off.
5. After lift off, helper must roll eleven before pilot can land. Pilot must have flown at least a 360 deg circle during flight and must land upwind.
6. Shortest time from the first roll of the dice to wheel touch down wins.

Black Jack (21)

Two decks of cards are combined and shuffled. The CD is the "Dealer" and picks flight maneuver for event (i.e.; 2 loops, 1 loop & spin, etc.).

1. "Player" starts engine.
2. "Player" gets card from dealer with motor running (use helper for safety).
3. "Player" takes off and performs maneuver(s).
4. "Player" lands and stops plane with motor running (use helper for safety).
5. "Player" gets another card from "Dealer."
6. If Player's cards add to 21 (21 or Ace & face card are high) or less, "player" can "stand" or repeat steps 3, 4, & 5.

NOTES:

- a. If Player's cards exceed 21, player "busts" and is eliminated from event
- b. One-minute restart rule applies if engine dies.
- c. "Player" with highest hand wins, next highest is 2nd, next highest is 3d.
- d. Tie will "fly-off" a second "hand" for place standing.

10/26/02: 5th Annual Bluebonnet Fly In, Brenham TX.
Contact Billy at 979-836-1031 for info.

Don't forget to vote at the October meeting! A ballot is attached to this newsletter so if you can't make the meeting see that the ballot gets turned in by the start of the October meeting.

Upcoming Events

By: Editor

10/12/02: Houston Combat Classic for 328(JSO) at Scobee Field, Houston TX. Contact Richard Stubblefield, CD, at 281-358-3522 for more information.

10/12/02: Art Watson- Dave Thomasson Memorial Fly-In at Prop Nuts field, Crosby TX. Contact Charles Stevens at 713-473-4995 for more information.

10/19/02: Class C Fun Fly benefiting Polk County Empty Stockings. Site is Elwood Field, Livingston TX. Contact Michael Muehr, CD at 936-967-0487 for details.

10/19/02: Sugar Land Texas Swap Meet sponsored by Fort Bend RC. Contact Sam Grice at 281-242-2342 for more info.

November Auction Coming Up!

Time to start rummaging through all those boxes of "stuff" no longer being used or needed. Or, how about a wish list of things you would like to get? Either way, be thinking about the club auction only a month away.

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Fitness Tip

By: Editor

Had a little space left and thought I'd pass on a great tip on keeping in shape.

For those of you getting along in years, here is a little secret for building your arm and shoulder muscles. You might want to adopt this regimen! Three days a week works well.

Begin by standing outside behind the house, and with a 5-lb. potato sack in each hand, extend your arms straight out to your sides and hold them there as long as you can. After a few weeks, move up to 10-lb. potato sacks and then 50-lb. potato sacks, and finally get to where you can lift a 100 lb. potato sack in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute.

Next, start putting a few potatoes in the sacks, but be careful not to overdo it at this level!

Johnson Space Center Radio Control Club 2003 Election Ballot

President _____ John Boyle
_____ Write In

Vice President _____ James Hornsby
_____ Write In

Treasurer _____ Dave Hoffman
_____ Write In

Secretary _____ Mike Goza
_____ Write In

Ballots may be turned in at the October meeting or mailed to Editor, Charles Teixeira at 1711 Bowline Rd, Houston TX, 77062 so as to arrive no later than October 10, 2002. Ballots will also be available at the club meeting.