



# *The R/C Flyer*

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Next Meeting – October 11, 2007, Clear Lake Park Building– 7:00 PM



## **In The Pits**

*By Michael Laible*

I hope everyone had a great time at the last meeting. Sorry I missed it but I had to attend the Bomber Field fly-in. Someone has to do it.

Phil told me that the current slate of officers were nominated for 2008 with no opposition. So I guess I am the prez once again. I look forward to serving another year. Off the top of my head the items I would like to accomplish for 2008 is to get another coating on the runway, communications (website, members list, etc.) and to have fun at the meetings. Anyway, lets have fun and fly.

As I mentioned earlier, I missed the club meeting because Herman Burton and I spent three days at the Bomber Field fly-in. Herman does a great job of detailing the event later in this newsletter. However, below are a few pics not talked about.

Below is a far view of the canopies on Friday morning. By Saturday you could barely walk through the middle. Note the JSCRCC banner to the right. I more than likely will be attending in 2008, so come on by and visit

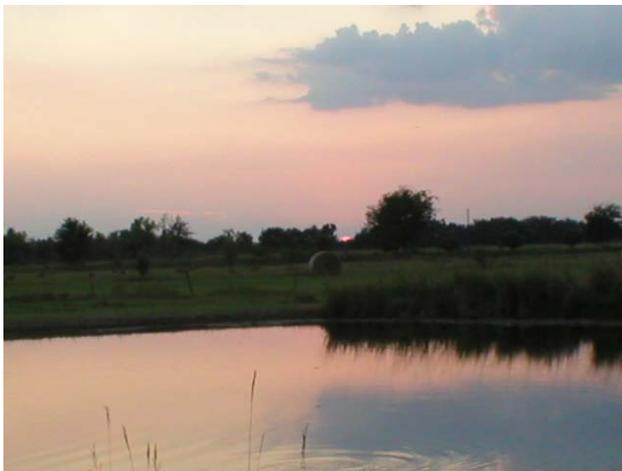
the canopy with the banner. Wear your new club logo shirt proudly.



The next picture is Mac Hodges large B-29. He flew this plane like a pattern plane. It was really an exciting show. Dropping the X1 Bell rocket was something to see.



Finally, check this out. This picture was taken right outside our camper. This is the tough life, a nice sunset ending a great day of flying. What you don't see in this picture are the steaks grilling on the mini Weber.



So, mark the date for next year and come and visit.

See you at the October meeting. Remember November is the Auction and December is the Christmas Party and Model of the Year Contest.

Until next month,  
Safe Landings,  
Mike

## **September Meeting Minutes**

*By: Mike Goza*

The Meeting started at 7:05pm 9/13/2007

### **Old Business:**

Tuesday, October 16 will be the new date for the club Fun-Fly.

Merchandise orders are being taken. Please pay Mike Laible so he can place the order.

The club attempted to get frequency pins for the 2.4GHz radios, but the company we normally order from is no longer in business. Alternates are being searched for by Dave Hoffman.

### **New Business:**

Nominations were taken for club officers.

President: Mike Laible  
VP: Phil Elting  
Treasurer: Dave Hoffman  
Secretary: Mike Goza

There was a motion to vote in the officers by acclamation which was unanimous. This will take effect only if no other officers want to be nominated.

Mike Goza finally returned after a long absence from the club meetings due to a karate black belt training schedule.

Mike Laible is starting a movement to resurface the field. He has started working with JSC on this maintenance item.

Dave Hoffman brought in some issues of Sport Flyer for the taking.

Mike Goza gave a short report on the IRCHA Helicopter Jamboree. It is officially the

world's largest model aviation event with 712 pilots in attendance. It was a very exciting event.

### **Model of the Month (MOM)**

Rene Saenz won with a SR-71 powered by 2 .25ci propped glow motors. It was designed by him and scratch built. It took him 2 years to design and only 8 weeks to build. It is actually a test version of a larger version he intends to build later.



### **Entertainment**

Bill Schwander presented the entertainment tonight. He showed a number of items that he has found useful over the years in his modeling. He showed things like nail files, Elmers wood putty in natural color and other useful devices.

Meeting adjourned 8:20pm.



Ray with his MOM SR-71

Bill Schwander brought a Shoestring racer. He took it over from another modeler. It was a scratch built model powered by an electric motor. It's painted with Krylon. It uses aileron and elevator for control.

### **Election of Officers**

*By: Editor*

As mentioned above, we have a slate of candidates willing to be club officers for 2008. We are fortunate to have folks willing to take on the positions and not have to do a lot of arm twisting as in some past years.

Although a motion to vote in the officers by acclamation was unanimous at the September meeting, the club by-laws require posting of the "nominations" and a ballot in the October newsletter. The vote by acclamation will stand if no write-ins are received by the beginning of the October meeting. The reference ballot is provided at the end of this newsletter.

## MONAVILLE FLY-IN

By  
Herman Burton

Each year now for the past 17 years BeBe Weber has been hosting the Bomber Field B-17 Fly-In near the small farming community of Monaville, Texas, located approximately 65 miles northwest of Houston. This event is one of the premier Fly-Ins held across Texas each year, and is attended by pilots from many parts of the country. Some of the most beautiful models to be seen are displayed and flown here each year.

2007 was an especially enjoyable fly-in, with Mac Hodges at the event this year with his 20-foot wingspan B-29, plus the 3 feet long Bell X-1. The X-1 is carried aloft underneath the B-29, released, and then a rocket motor is ignited in the tail of the small plane to propel it skyward some 500' in the blink of an eye. A different person stands alongside Mac Hodges to pilot the X-1, and after numerous rolls, loops and other maneuvers while gliding, finally brings the plane in for a landing on the grass within a few feet of himself.

Watching Mac perform is a treat without equal. He does rolls, loops, low fly bys, but the low high speed pass inverted just a few feet above the tarmac is what brings the crowd to its feet. During one of the performances this year one of the main gears did not deploy, and he had to come in on one main plus the nose gear. Fortunately, except for a few scratches on the wingtip, the plane was not extensively damaged. Within a few hours the ground support crew had the plane ready to fly again.

The following photograph shows our club president Mike Laible beside the large B-29, with the Russian "Bear" TU-95, in the background.



The next photograph shows one of the many beautiful B-17's that were on display. Many times during the course of the Fly-In all the bombers that were flyable at the time would get into the air, and fly in formation. What a beautiful sight!



The wingspan of the TU-95 is approximately 16 feet, and the B-17 is about a 12' wingspan

aircraft. The craftsmanship on both is superb.

The drive to Monaville is about 90 minutes from the Clear Lake area, and the fun and enjoyment is without equal. Put the third weekend of September in 2008 on your calendar, and drive up to the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Bomber Fly-In. You will be very glad you did.

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### **Upcoming Events**

10/13-14/07 : Prop Nuts Big Bird Fly In, Crosby, TX. Allan Smith is CD, 713-978-2898.

***JSCRCC Fun-Fly October 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm (?)***

10/27/07 : 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Fly In at Elwood Field, Livingston, TX. CD is Mike Muehr, 936-967-0487.

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For 2008 Officers**

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   \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Write In

**Vice President**            \_\_\_\_\_ Phil Elting  
   \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Write In

**Secretary**                    \_\_\_\_\_ Mike Goza  
   \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Write In

**Treasurer**                    \_\_\_\_\_ Dave Hoffman  
   \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Write In

Ballots may be sent to any club officer or you may turn in your ballot at the October meeting. All ballots must be received by the beginning of the October meeting.