



# *The R/C Flyer*

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Next Meeting – Auction-Thursday, November 8, 2001 at 7:30pm - Clear Lake Park Bldg.

## **The President's Corner**

*By: Clay Bare, President*

Well, for those of you that did not attend the October meeting, I'm back for another term as your president and I'm looking forward to another successful year. I'm happy to report the successes have already begun. Our Treasurer, Dave Hoffman, announced at the meeting that flying may resume at JSC. As a result of the higher security, you are required to have an official photo ID (TX driver's license) along with your JSCRCC issued field pass. Entry to the field at this time will be restricted to JSCRCC members only. We will continue to work with NASA officials to get to the point where guests can come out when accompanied by a JSCRCC member. It's great to be back home at the JSCRCC field. I really enjoyed visiting several of the other area fields and I am very grateful for the invitations, but I'm still partial to flying at JSC. If you see Dave in the next couple of weeks, please be sure and thank him for his efforts in this matter. Good Job Dave!

I hope everyone is in the shop getting the auction items ready for the club auction. Now is the time to clear some space for the winter project! Oh Yeah! Be sure to bring some mad money just in case you find the deal you can't pass up. To make this auction a success, we need both buyers and sellers. I know I'm still looking for the perfect winter project.

Well, that's all I have for now, but if I start now I may get enough together for the next President's Corner! Hope to see you at the Auction! Bid responsibly... Bid fairly.

Happy Intentional Landings!

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## **October 2001 Meeting Minutes**

*By: Mike Goza, Secretary*

Meeting started 7:10pm 10/11/2001

Old Business

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Preston Hunt withdrew from nominations. Clay Bare volunteered to be a write in.

The Fun fly will be delayed for another month due to field access problems.

There are still a few caps left at \$10 a piece.

Old Model of the Month plaques were given out.

New Business

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The new club officers are:

President - Clay Bare  
Vice President - John Boyle  
Treasurer - Dave Hoffman  
Secretary - Mike Goza

To gain access to our flying field, the following requirements MUST be met:

- Name must be on list compiled by Dave Hoffman of active fliers.
- You must show a photo ID and club badge to gain access.

The club should be able to fly at JSC by the time you receive the newsletter. No foreign nationals are allowed in and guest passes are not valid. DO NOT hassle the guards. This is a first cut at getting us back onto the field.

Club auction is next month.

Now taking volunteers for helping at the Christmas party.

Don Fisher is head of the Fun Fly committee for next year. Please contact him to help out.

### **Model of the Month**

Mike Goza won Model of the Month with an electric ducted fan F-18 Hornet from the Electric Jet Factory. It uses a Wemotec Fan and Promax Cobalt motor.



Tim White brought a ModelTech Extra 300ARF for show and tell. He has an OS .32 for power.



Meeting adjourned 8:30pm.

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### **JSC Weather Site Back on Line**

Thanks to Bruce Hilty for all his efforts in getting the JSC weather site back on line. To get weather information at JSC (roof of building 30) go to:

<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/smg/bldg30.htm>

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### **Prop-Nuts Invite**

*By: Tas Crowson  
Secretary Prop-Nuts RC Club*

(This information came in right after the last newsletter went out -Editor)

At the meeting last night the Prop-Nuts voted to extend flying privileges to all JSC members through the end of January 2002. Flyers must have a valid JSC field pass and be a current AMA member. We are not requiring that a Prop-Nut member be present, just that all AMA and club field rules be followed. A map to the field is posted on the club web site at [www.propnuts.com](http://www.propnuts.com)

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*Don't forget the club auction in November. Round up what ever you don't need, want, or have room for, AND/ OR bring money to get whatever you need, want or don't have room for! See attached flyer for more details.*

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## Flight Box Checklist

Courtesy of the CRCC Newsletter  
Champaign County RC Club  
Tim Lampe, editor  
Champaign IL

With the advent of our training sessions on Thursday evenings, I've had the occasion to perform a bit of maintenance and setup of some of our new members' airplanes. In doing so, I've learned that most newcomers have yet to accumulate the correct tools to perform routine maintenance on their models. Therefore, I've taken an inventory of my own flight box and listed the most important items below. Of course, it can take a long time to accumulate all the tools you need, so don't feel as though you have to rush right out and buy everything today. Chances are somebody else will have what you need. But, in the mean time, it's a good idea to start accumulating your own tools so you can become self-sufficient. Besides, sooner or later you'll be flying on your own! Here is what you should have in your flight box:

### **Engine starting equipment**

- Fuel (5% to 15% nitromethene content -- 5% is adequate)
- Fuel filling system such as an electric pump or hand-crank pump with required fuel can/filling fittings and fuel tubing (I know it's a tongue twister, but that's the best description)
- 1.5-volt glow plug igniter or 1.5-volt battery and glow plug clip
- Optional: Electric starter and small 12-volt battery (this battery may also be used to operate a 12-volt fuel pump)

### **Tools**

- Small crescent wrench or correct-size box wrench for the propeller nut (a 10mm wrench works for most .40-size engines)
- 5/16-inch screwdriver type socket wrench for glow plugs or
- Hobby-type 4-way wrench (has sizes for glow plugs and propeller nuts)
- Small (#1) Phillips® screwdriver
- Medium (#2) Phillips® screwdriver, Small (#4) regular/slotted screwdriver
- Small Allen® wrenches as required:
  - 1/16-inch is most common for setscrews on wheel collars, 2.5mm is most common for 3mm engine screws
  - Hemostats (available at the hobby shop-you never know when you'll need them, but when you do ...)
- #1 Hobby knife with sharp #11 blade (keep tip covered in flight box!)
- 1/4-ounce or 1/2-ounce of thin or medium CA (for small field repairs)

### **Other**

- If appropriate, spare #64 rubber bands for wing hold-down (always store rubber bands in a small container with talcum powder or kitty litter to absorb oil from previous flights).
- Spare, balanced propellers of suitable size (10 x 6 [10-inch diameter, 6-inch pitch] propellers are suitable for most .40-size trainers). Hint: Remove sharp edges from plastic propellers by lightly sanding with 320-grit sandpaper.
- Spray cleaner and quality paper towels for cleaning the model at the field.

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## **Membership Renewal Time!**

Please take a few minutes and renew your JSCRCC club membership. A form is enclosed with this newsletter so do it while you are thinking about it. Timely renewal will preclude any problems getting on site and avoid potential security hassles.

Security will remain very tight and if you don't renew early and make Hoffman's "active" list by early December, you will not be able to get on site come 1/1/02 due to the time it takes to get through the security process.

If you are a youngster without a drivers license, you will need to get a photo ID. You can get a state ID card from any DPS office (there is one on Hwy 3) that would be acceptable. You will probably need to show a birth certificate so you may want to check with DPS before running up there.

The renewal form and dues may be brought to the next meeting, but better yet, mailed to Dave Hoffman, 412 W. Pasadena Blvd, Dear Park TX, 77536-4864.

Also make sure you take care of your AMA dues. If you renew your AMA membership on your own, remember to include a copy of your membership card along with your club renewal.

## **Club Officers**

President	Clay Bare	281-488-2992
Vice-President	John Boyle	281-630-4526
Treasurer	Dave Hoffman	281-476-5206
Secretary	Mike Goza	281-554-4016(H) 281-483-4695(W)

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JSC-RCC REGISTRATION FORM  
2002

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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ BUS. PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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**AUCTION**

**November 8, 2001 at 7:30 PM**



It will cost you \$1 to register as a buyer and \$1 per lot to put your treasure on the auction block. A lot may be one item or a group of items to sell for a single bid. That's all it costs. No commissions or additional fees. You set the minimum bid. Dealers are welcomed.

For more information , contact Clay Bare at (281) 488-2992 (home)  
or (713)336-5387 (work)

Setup begins at 6:30 PM and the auction begins promptly at 7:30 PM. You can register as a buyer, seller, or both! If selling, be ready to fill out a form for each lot, setting the minimum bid and describing the items for auction. Keep one copy and tape the other copy to the lot of auction items.

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From Hwy 146, go west on NASA Rd. 1 and Pass the Clear Lake Beach Club. Make a left at the next light: Clear Lake Park