

# The R/C Flyer

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## Next Meeting – November 12th, 2015, Clear Lake Park Building – 7:00 PM



by Mike Laible

As I sit down to write this article I get a call from the St. Louis production plant. The factory floor is excited about the PR they received with the Show Me B-25 article in the latst Model aviation. However, it is a bitter sweet pill to swallow.

Its amazing that the plane continues to bring my Dad and I closer even when it has expired. What a project.

It seems like forever since I have been at the field. I believe I only flew at the field once in October. Gonna have to do something about that.

I do have the Bates Bearcat moving along and started the body this week. I also will be picking up the giant scale Corsair at Christmas. I will bring it back and finish covering, panel lines, paint and detail. Get her back together and wring her out. If it flies anything like the giant scale P47 it should be a nice flyer.

I must note that all things change in life and this may be the last big bird I pick up from the North Production plant. It seems that things are changing and I may have to get some small electric kits. However, Pop is excited about the 60 size P-40 that Santa brought this year – early. But even that is challenging for him. We'll see what happens.

I did get the longhorn pavilion for March 19<sup>th</sup> to hold the Iron Mike Swap Meet. This will be the fourth year so mark it on your calendars. In addition, the Warbirds over JSC is set for April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

I as mentioned I just returned from St. Louis. The funny thing is that on the way to the airport from the parking spot, this gentleman next to me on the shuttle bus asked if that was me with the AMA sticker. I said "Yep". We proceeded to talk airplanes all the way to the gate. It seems he flew big birds and even flew a B17 for several years at Bomber (middle 90's). He flies the big stuff. He wants to get back into the hobby. Anyway, it would be nice to have another big bird pilot. We need to represent JSC at these fly ins. Hopefully Joe and James can get the warbirds ready for the flying season.

Well that's all for this column and see ya at the meeting.

Safe Landings and Godspeed,

Mike L.

## **AUGUST MEETING**

by Mike Laible

This month's meeting (October) had zero models. So I could not let this happen. I had my auxiliary model in the car. Yep, small electric. Actually, I was going to fly after work but it turned out to be a windy day.

So I brought in my FMS (I think) P-47 that I bought from Cecil at last year's swap meet. I really have been having a lot of fun with this little guy. It just about does anything you ask of it. Boy, I can't wait to see what deals I find at this year's swap meet.







#### **MINUTES**

#### Guest

No guest

### **New business:**

Discussion on name tags as previously discussed but apparently never voted on. Motion by Herman Burton to send tags by mailed to address on application 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Motion amended by Herman to make this effective 1/1/2016 Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> vote pass by all present

Restatement of Motion all new members paying the new member fee of \$55.00 will get a name tag at club expense and mailed to them at the address on application start on 1/1/2016

Passed by all in attendance.

Herman said Meeting Room reservations will be done at the end of the month

Fun Fly this weekend. James will be CD and Kent will get hotdogs etc.

New Business AMA sending out letters Notifying airport of club clubs operating within the 5 miles of and airport. Discussion followed

We need to notify AMA or change of address so communication will not need to change whenever a board members changes etc.

#### **Old Business:**

nominations were accepted last month and this month the officers were selected unanimously by all in attendance.

## Membership:

2 new members brining the members total to 91

## Safety:

No report

## Treasures report:

Approximately \$3600 a detailed report will follow next month.

#### **Announcement:**

None

#### Model of the month:

## **OCTOBER MOM**



Mike Laible

# WHATS UP AROUND THE CLUB

by Mike Laible

I didn't spend much time at the flying field this month and I did not receive any photos of field activities from other members (Hint Hint). So you are stuck with my pics of two events I attended.

things about travelling to these fly ins are the out of the way places you get to visit. This pic is the entrance to the North Dallas RC. What a nice looking field and trees.

Till next month, fly safe.

Mike

## **JSCRCC FALL FUN FLY**

by Dave Bacque

The event is aptly named. I don't remember a more fun day at the field in a very long time. For those of you who missed it, you really missed it!

The events were a great mix of skill and luck. In my case, the roll of the die proved my undoing in one event but I placed in the money in the other two events.

James has a knack for putting together a great set of events that let everybody have a chance. The whole point is to get out, fly, laugh and oh yeah, eat hot dogs!

Kent Stromberg, our resident grill master, once again served up some perfectly charred dogs. He even did some without the char for the faint of heart.

There were a few unfortunate moments. We've been wondering for a while who would be the first person to break an airplane by hitting one of the pilot's boxes. That dubious honor now belongs to Fitz Walker, who while trying to land for the Bob & Weave event, had the pesky North wind push him into the rightmost pilot box. Fitz, we all felt for you.

Bob & Weave turned out to be a real bear with the crosswind. Every single person who completed the event, finished in the money. 9 entries, only 3 finished. What a way to start the day!

The only event I didn't place in is my favorite event we fly, the die roll. When I threw the die and got a Split S, okay, no big deal. Then I threw it again and I had to do 5 of them? All I could do was laugh! Congrats to Cecil with his rolls. I've been on both sides of lady luck in this event.

And for the bomb drop, wow, we had some crazy flying airplanes out there. James started us out with his cup tilting over before he even got off the ground but that bean bag must have been glued in there. Did you know that putting stuff on your plane can make it fly funny? Especially stuff that's off center. Well, James had a handful. But he dropped his bomb on the runway, even if it did bounce and roll way down the line. Herman also had a handful and the event suddenly becomes can I save my plane and to heck with my score. People started cutting the cups shorter to reduce the drag problems. I had the cup taped to the left wing up against the fuse on my U-Can-Do but even I was shocked by how badly the plane flew. Much slower than usual. Plus, it wanted to drop the left wing and yaw left. This is the event that killed my first U-Can-Do last year. Well today I was avenged as I flew down the runway. pulled up into a climb directly over the target, pushed over and dropped it very close to the target. It was good for the gold! At that point, we settled into eating and sport flying. A good time was had by all.

Bob - N- Weave

- 1) Russell Bear
- 2) Dave Bacque
- 3) Russ Shanks

Bomb Drop

- 1) Dave Bacque
- 2) Russ Shanks
- 3) Cecil Sorrels

Dice Roll

- 1) Cecil Sorrels
- 2) Russell Bear
- 3) Herman Burton

Winners received Samano 's gift cards. \$20.00 for first \$15.00 for second and \$10.00 for Third.

# **Upcoming Events**

March 19, JSC Swap Meet April 23, Warbirds over JSC

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