The Seminole Flyer



AMA Chartered Club 216, Founded in 1969



A Gold Leader Club for over ten years

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Next Club Meeting

Thursday, July 18, 2024 BBQ and Night Fly At the Field



* All fliers must have current AMA membership. Normal AMA and SRCC safety rules are in effect

A Sign of the Times (with apologies to Petula Clark*)

Jeff Owens

Long time members of SRCC will recall the days (perhaps not so fondly) when we flew on the 72 MHz and Ham frequencies. Only one transmitter could operate at a time on any given frequency since there was no frequency hopping as on the 2.4 GHz band. So, we had a board with clothes pins for each frequency and you were not supposed to turn on your TX until you had the pin. Well, times change (thank you Petula) and AMA no longer requires us to maintain the pin board in order to qualify as a Gold Leader Club. On May 30 I removed the old sign. I offered it to Jay since he has always been a big fan of this system, but he politely refused my offer. And so the sign was left in the pavilion for whoever would like a priceless piece of nostalgia.

* Extra points awarded if you understand the title above.





Upcoming Events in July

Jeff Owens

I have included Jim Ogorek's poster for the Independence Day Fun Fly on the first page. It is coming right up, so get your planes ready! (Note that training is now scheduled to end at 2:00 PM)

Following a longstanding tradition, our July meeting will be held at the field on the usual Thursday date (July 18 this year) and will be a combination BBQ and night fly event. Jay prepares a mean BBQ, so watch your email for details as to how to sign up.

182 Travels

Jeff Owens

This month's newsletter is a bit later than usual as Lori and I have been traveling in my Cessna 182. First we went to New Bern, NC to see my sister. Then, the next day we flew to Syracuse, NY to visit one of my brothers and to attend my 60th high school reunion. A few days later we flew to Kingston, NY to visit another brother and his family. The next day we headed back to Quincy. All told it was 18 hours of flying over 6 days. And the weather cooperated for the most part, except for some pesky 20 kt headwinds. I hadn't done such a whirlwind cross country in a while and it felt good to put the plane to such use once again!

What have you flown lately?

Jeff Owens

It is no secret that newsletter editors are always looking for something to write about. You may be the key to the next article! What new model have you flown that you really liked? What new kit or ARF appeals to you? What new tool have you discovered that really makes a job easier? Why not send me an email with a short description? It doesn't have to be a full blown article - just a few sentences and maybe a web address. I can take it from there. These kinds of things can help out other club members when they are making purchase decisions. Please think about it.

Club Meeting News - Provided by Jay Wiggins as Jeff was out of town.

The meeting was called to order by President Jay Wiggins at 7:00 PM on Thursday June 20, 2024 with 10 members in attendance including new member Steve Mahaley and returning member Steve Warmath.

Member Recognition: Dr. Mike for setup and signage for the Memorial Day Fly-in and Richard Feezel for collecting the signs as Dr. Mike had to leave early; Jim Pippin's wife for making the zucchini bread - yum!; Ken Kushner for the garbage detail; Claudia, Chris, and Kevin for cooking; Ed and Gordie for field prep; Geoff and Jim of training; Jim for flyers; Ed, Gordie, Jay, and Geoff for Ultimate Combat.

President's Report - Ultimate Combat was fun for participants and spectators alike with \$55 raised for CMN. Suggestions have been made for future combat using different aircraft specification. Get your lighted aircraft ready for the July BBQ and night-fly. Jay wrote a disaster relief grant to AMA for the replacement cost of the flag pole and flag which were destroyed by the tornadoes. The cost was \$445 and AMA reimbursed the entire amount.

VP Report - David Coury - thanks to all who helped with the Memorial Day event, but note that more help is needed with setup for future events. Everything is ready for the July 6 Firecracker Fun Fly. Chris and Dennis will do the cooking.

Treasurer's Report - the April report was approved as posted in the May Newsletter.

Secretary's Report - the minutes of the last meeting were approved as posted in the Newsletter.

Training and Safety - Jay for Dr. Mike - Training with Geoff and Jim is going well. The check for the TAG program was received by Marcy. Training at our events will stop by 2:00 PM. The advertisements have been modified to to reflect the time schedule.

Field Report - Jay for Gordie - The field is in great shape, but suffering from drought. Pray for rain. (Ed. note: we have since had lots of rain!)

There were no items for Old or New Business.

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Primary flight training is available by appointment on Saturdays from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM when the weather is nice and not too breezy. Contact the Training Coordinator or one of the instructors to make an appointment:

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Field Hours

All Aircraft: 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset 7 days/week

Please note: Although restrictions have been removed on flying hours for fueled planes, this is on a trial basis until further notice from Leon County. All gassers and nitros must have a suitable muffler.