# The Seminole Flyer



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### **Memorial Weekend Warbird Fly-in Saturday**

Get out your warbird . . . or any other bird for that matter and come to the field this Saturday, May 24th. There will be hamburgers, hot dogs and fun for all. The weather forecast is for a warm, but nice day. Flying will start at 9:00 am and continue until the thumbs give out.

Club T-shirts are still available for \$15.00. Hamburger combo meals will be \$5.00 and hot dog combos will be \$4.00.

### **New Member**

One new member recently joined the club. Please welcome Richard Feezel when you get the chance.

### **Club Meeting News**

Randy Yarborough, Secretary

#### Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on May 15, 2014 by Vice President Jeff Owens.

Absent SRCC board members were Mike Levine and Bill Ashbaker.

No visitors were present.

### Club Calendar

Memorial Day Warbird Fly-in will be held on May 24, 2014. Will sell remaining T-Shirts and grill food. Details coming soon

Flying for a Cure planned for October 4, 2014. More details coming soon.

### Secretary's Report

April 2014 SRCC meeting minutes were approved based on the April newsletter report by Randy Yarborough.

### Treasurer's Report

Jeff Owens read the April treasurer's report.

Currently we have 84 members on the roster

Upcoming expenses will be annual War bird Fly-in Day for food, drinks, etc...

### Safety Officer Report - Jim Ogorek

Members were cautioned to abide by the AMA guidelines and safety procedures as well as the SRCC guidelines and safety procedures.

### **Training Officer Report - Geoff Lawrence**

Civil Air Cadets training session will be held on May 17, 2014 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

### Field Marshal Report - Gordie

The field is in premium condition.

If you smoke, please discard the BUTTS in the appropriate location.

#### **Old Business**

Proposed bylaw changes were read by Jeff Owens. There will be a vote on the changes next SRCC general meeting on June 19, 2014.

Warbird Fly-in - Warbird and general aircraft will be allowed to fly. Signs will be present to direct visitors to the field and parking.

Food, drinks and chips will be available for the event. \$4.00 hotdog combo, \$5.00 hamburger combo.

Jim Ogorek announced that FMS will donate \$5.00 to veterans for any warbird sale this month. See the www.diamondhobby.com website for details.

Warbird event details will be in the *Tallahassee Democrat* calendar edition.

#### **New Business**

On March 22, 2014, a possible FPV or RC camo painted jet event occurred in Tallahassee. Jeff presented a briefing the near miss with a commercial airliner and commented that non-members are flying in many locations in Leon County. As members of SRCC, we must always abide by AMA and SRCC guidelines and safety rules. If flying in a different location, be aware of the laws and regulations related to FPV flying.

It was suggested that we make an extra effort to educate new members on the AMA guidelines and safety code.

We have new port-a-potties at the field . . . Yay!

### Next meeting

June 19, 2014 at Beef O'Brady's, 1800 Thomasville Road, 7:00 pm in meeting room.

#### Adjournment

The motioned was made and accepted and the meeting was adjourned by Jeff Owens at 8:00 pm.

### Around the Field . . .





New Student







It'll never get off the ground!



Civil Air Patrol Cadets



Around the Field is a monthly collection of member items and activities. Feel free to email photos and comments for publication to SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com

### Trojan's Sexcentennial Flight

By: Dan Ouellet



Ol' Reliable ready for its 600<sup>th</sup> flight on Sunday April 27, 2014.

"Ol' Reliable", my ParkZone T-28 Trojan PnP, completed its 600<sup>th</sup> successful documented flight on April 27, 2014, at the Seminole Radio Control Club field, in Tallahassee, Florida.

The full scale North American T-28 Trojan was a piston-engine military trainer aircraft used by the United States Air Force and United States Navy beginning in the 1950s. Later on, it was also used as a trainer by the United States Marine Corps. Besides its use as a trainer, the T-28 was successfully employed as a Counter-insurgency aircraft, primarily during the Vietnam War.

ParkZone's model rendition maintains many of the characteristics of its full scale brethren. It is a versatile, honest, predictable airplane that will perform any scale maneuver you ask it to, without doing anything stupid! It excels at loops, rolls, hammerheads, Cuban-8s, split-S and knife-edge. Plus, it is a great touch-and-go airplane. In other words, it is an excellent advanced trainer. I would recommend it to anyone graduating from a basic RC trainer to a more advanced model.

I originally purchased this Trojan "used" from fellow SRCC club member Jim Ogorek on November 6, 2010. It

was a replacement for my first one, which was lost the weekend before. At the time, the Trojan was in "like new" condition, since Jim had only flown it a few times on "Sundays".

The Trojan has not required much to keep it airworthy. The original ParkZone motor lasted 278 flights before "running out of steam"! I replaced it with an older E-flite Power 10 Brushless Outrunner Motor I had on hand. This is a drop-in replacement with a slightly higher KV. Using the stock propeller, it allows for a faster speed and, if desired, unlimited vertical! Therefore, I normally fly my Trojan at ½ power and only go to full power when climbing.

The only mishaps the T-28 suffered are:

- Two years ago, I broke the vertical fin when it flipped on landing. A little epoxy was all that was needed to put it back in place.
- The rudder on the other hand had to be re-hinged. I decided to use CA hinges to reattach it. Then, I sealed the gap with tape. This proved to be stronger and more accurate than the original.
- I lost the canopy while in flight last year and replaced it with a new one.
- I replaced the horizontal stabilizer last year because the original was delaminating.
- The Trojan is now on its third set of tires! Even if I only fly it from grass runways, the tires wear out quickly.



Ol' Reliable on Monday, December 20th 2010, ready for its 82<sup>nd</sup> flight.

All in all, I am extremely satisfied with this model. It is my "go-to" airplane whenever I am in doubt about the weather. Over the years, I have flown it in various conditions ranging from absolute calm, to days with gale force winds! On a couple of occasions, I even managed to make it travel over the ground backward!

Yes, it is definitely a keeper!

### Sources

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### Just a Reminder

There have been instances recently when lost models have been found at the field. However, the owners could not be found because there was no identification printed on the model. Remember, the AMA Safety Code requires that all models be identified with the owners name and address or AMA member number.



### **Classified Ads**

Anyone in the club who wants to sell or buy RC equipment, send an email to seminoleradiocontrolclub@gmail.com with a very short description. We prefer a one or two line description: what it is, condition, price, who to contact and email or phone.

#### For Sale

### **Airplanes**

Precision Aerobatics Addiction X, 50 inch wingspan, very good condition, \$350, Robin Driscoll, 850-597-2424, robin.marcy@gmail.com

### **Powerplants**

SAITO FA-82a 4-Stroke Nitro Engine with extras, new in box, \$490, Bill Ashbaker, bill.ashbaker@comcast.net

### **Electrical Accessories**

Thunder Power LiPo Charger Model TP-1010C, like new, \$40, Bill Ashbaker, bill.ashbaker@comcast.net

### Field Equipment

Hobbico Ultra-Tote Plywood Kit, new in box, \$12, Bill Ashbaker, bill.ahbaker@comcast.net

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### **Flight Training**

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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Bill Ashbaker 850-656-5932

### **Field Hours**

Electrics/Sailplanes 9:00 AM till 9:00 PM

Gassers/Nitros 12 Noon till Dusk

Electric Service 8:30 AM till 9:15 PM

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