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Club Meeting News — November 2, 2013

This month's meeting was held on Saturday, November 2, in conjunction with our warbird fly-in event. We held the event to recognize the upcoming Veterans Day holiday and to honor our local heros. The weather was beautiful for flying and a good number of our members participated. A. J. Riall brought several veterans to the event. They thoroughly enjoyed the activities and a few were able to buddy-box. One of the veterans, Edward Williams, joined the club.

The club provided hot dogs, hamburgers and soft drinks for the event. The food was so popular we quickly ran low. Frank Norris, who works with the Veterans Administration, saved the day by contributing additional food for everyone. We thank you very much, Frank.

Upcoming Field Closures

The field will be closed due to a major running event on Saturday, November 9. Over 4,000 people are expected to participate. However, the field should be open for flying by midafternoon.

The field will also be closed during the mornings of Saturday, November 16, and Saturday, November 23 for running events. We should be able to fly those afternoons.

Future Club Meetings

Our next club meeting will be held on **Monday, December 2nd**, in the Southwood community room. The Southwood community is located east of Capital Circle Southeast (See map below). We had a very difficult time finding a suitable meeting location during the holiday period. Meeting rooms everywhere are reserved.

There are an abundance of frustrations associated with club meetings this past year. There was difficulty reserving meeting locations during the winter months. During the warm months when we meet at the field there was rain, more rain, rescheduled meetings, bugs, heat, humidity and members reluctant to buy and prepare food for meetings. Did I mention a whole lot of rain? As a consequence, meeting attendance fell off quite a bit. It is challenging to plan events and the future of our club without member participation in our monthly meetings. The club officers want the club to be a fun experience and to develop in the way you want. We cannot do that without your guidance.

The club officers decided to change our meeting schedule and location for 2014 to make the meetings more dependable and enjoyable. Hopefully, attendance will recover. For the entire 2014 year, club meetings will be held on the third Thursday of each month at Beef O'Brady's on Thomasville Road near the HobbyTown USA store. Our January meeting will be at Beef's at 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 16th.



Southwood Community Center here

Club Officer Nominations

Nominations for club officers are received each year at the November meeting. Nominations for officers for 2014 are:



Mike Levine — President



Jeff Owens — Vice-President



Randy Yarborough — Secretary

Bill Ashbaker — Treasurer (Bill was taking pictures. So, no picture of him.)

These nominees will be elected during the December meeting.

Club Dues

Most of you have received your AMA renewal package for 2014. Please renew your AMA membership soon. Lack of AMA membership is the one of the few things that can prevent you from flying at the field. You will recall that we are required to have individual AMA insurance under our lease contract with Leon County. If an accident involving personal injury or property damage occurs at the field and you do not have current AMA coverage, it could be very distressing and expensive for you and the club could lose our field for being in violation of our lease contract. If you do not renew by the end of the year, you may not fly starting January 1, 2014.

Your club membership dues are due before the end of the year. All of the things we need to keep our field a nice place to fly are paid for by membership dues. Dues are our only source of income and must pay for many things like gas and repairs for the mower, field repairs and improvements, insurance, electric bills, state and national fees and the list goes on.

Of course, the annual dues have not changed: \$60.00 for general membership, \$75.00 for family membership and \$20.00 for junior membership. There are three ways to pay: cash or check to the treasurer at a meeting or at the field, mail a check to the treasurer, or PayPal.

If you want to mail a check, make it out to Seminole Radio Control Club and send it to:

Bill Ashbaker Seminole Radio Control Club 2509 Napoleon Bonaparte Drive Tallahassee, FL 32308

If you prefer to use PayPal, merely go to your PayPal account and send money to:

SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com

If you have a sufficient account balance to cover the dues, there is no extra fee to pay through PayPal. However, if your balance is less than the dues amount, you will have to use a credit card and pay a small extra amount to cover the fee: \$62.10 for general membership, \$77.55 for family membership and \$21.70 for junior membership.

Interesting Opportunity

A gentleman named Ed Perrine emailed the officers with an interesting proposition. A local hobbyist passed away about a year ago. He left a shop full of model airplane parts, engines and some entire planes. Most of this stuff is rather dated, but appears to have been maintained in excellent condition. Most of the planes are configured as control-line instead of radio control, but they might provide useful parts and fun.

The widow would like to sell, but she is a very private person. She doesn't want to be contacted directly, but would rather Ed handle any sales. Jim Ogorek is emailing Ed. If any of you are interested, please let Jim know.

Warbird Event in Pictures



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Field Hours

Electrics/ Sailplanes	9:00 AM till 9:00 PM
Gassers and Nitros	12 Noon till Dusk.
Electric Service	8:30 AM till 9:15 PM

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