# The Seminole Flyer



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### **November 2016 Veterans Day Issue**

# A Special Gift for Some Great Klds



The Seminole Radio Control Club presents a gift to Shands Children's Miracle Network

Our annual Veterans Day Picnic and Fun-Fly was another great success. The Seminole RC Club presentation of a check to the Shands Childrens' Miracle Network was the highlight of the day. Our good friend Marshal Fisher accepted the \$1,000.00 check on behalf of the network. Marshal is one of the beneficiaries of network support.

Our annual charity event has been a club tradition for over a decade. It is a great way to give back to the community. The community has given much to us. Jay Wiggins and Randy Yarborough played key roles in the event. Mike Lassiter, Charles Montford, Ed Budzyna and Gordie Meade and more helped to make the day enjoyable. Geoff Lawrence was busy helping new and prospective members with the club trainer. And, club members offered camaraderie and enjoyment.

A special "thank you" is due to Jim Ogorek for donating another FMS airplane for a main prize for our raffle.

## **Club Meeting News**

#### **President's Report** - Jay Wiggins

Club President, Jay Wiggins, convened the club meeting at 7:02 PM, November 17, 2016. No new members or visitors were in attendance.

President Wiggins thanked all who helped make our Veterans Day event a success. Mike Lassiter, Charles Montford, Ed Budzyna, Geoff Lawrence and Gordie Meade and more helped to make the day enjoyable. A special thanks was extended to Jim Ogorek for his personal contribution of an FMS model for the raffle.

#### **Program** - Faith and Troy Emmett

Troy led a very informative discussion of airplane trim and setup for 3D flying. Our Veterans Day event attendees saw his skill first hand.

Troy emphasized the need for a good quality, dependable motor and servos. 3D flying is most often flown in a stalled attitude. Any failure of these components end in catastrophic results.

A 3D airplane is set up with large control surface throws and a neutral CG. Troy explained the importance of adjusting engine thrust angle and angle of incidence of the wings and horizontal stabilizer.

The secret to success is to fly ahead of the airplane mentally and practice, practice, practice until muscle memory is error free.

#### Vice President's Report - Randy Yarborough

Randy is planning our annual Christmas Party as part of our regular club meeting on December 15, 2016. Once again, the party will be held at Beef O'Brady's at 7:00 PM. The business portion of the meeting will be brief and will focus on election of club officers for 2017. Then, the fun begins.

Food and soft drinks will be free. Members may order anything from Beef's menu. Members must pay for alcoholic beverages. Members are encouraged to bring wives, husbands or significant others.

#### **Secretary's Report** - Jay Wiggins

The October club meeting minutes were approved as published in the October club newsletter.

A slate of 2017 club officer candidates will be finalized for election at our December club meeting. Current candidates are Jay Wiggins for president, Randy Yarborough for vice president and Bill Ashbaker for treasurer. There are no candidates for secretary at this time. Anyone who would like to serve in any of the positions or suggest can-

didates please email Jay at moonangelb@gmail.com\_ before the December meeting.

#### Treasurer's Report - Bill Ashbaker

The October treasurer's report was approved as posted in this newsletter. Currently, the club has 89 members.

#### **County Liaison Report** - Jay Wiggins

Field closures due to preparation and conduct of cross country running events are common during this time of year. Jay reported that the Leon County Division of Parks and Recreation and the Tourist Development Board have been very supportive in minimizing the impact of running events on our flying. Two incidents of running event related facilities being set up too early and near our runway were due to schools independently contracting for tents without notifying the Tourist Development Board. Once notified, the tents were quickly moved and steps were taken to avoid this in the future.

Members who took advantage of our Veterans Day event tours of our potential new flying site noticed that capping of the landfill has not started.

**Safety Officer Report** - Jay Wiggins for Jim Ogorek Jim asked Jay to convey to our members the importance of flyers announcing their intentions to others on the flight line. Speak up and let others know when you are taking off or landing and in which direction.

### **Training Officer Report** - Jay Wiggins for Geoff Lawrence

Our training aircraft were used a good amount of time during our Veterans Day event. Five students enjoyed flying our trainer under Geoff's supervision.

Our club trainers are good to go. And, any of our experienced trainers are welcome to help Geoff out with students.

#### Field Marshal Report - Gordie Meade

The field was mowed Thursday and is in good shape.

The mower needs to have a caster on the mower deck and blades replaced. Gordie will handle the task in the spring.

#### **Old Business**

No old business reported.

#### **New Business**

Theo Titus volunteered to work with our vice president and liaise with other RC clubs in our region. Hopefully, we can arrange some visits by our members to other clubs

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and invite other clubs to visit our field. We will post other club events in this newsletter in the future.

Also, Theo has our old PA system that needs repairs. In addition, Randy has a working PA system we can use for future events.

#### **Adjournment**

President Wiggins adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30 PM. Please contact Jay Wiggins, moonangelb@gmail.com or 850-228-8759 if you have any question, concerns or suggestions regarding the club.



# **SRCC Christmas Party**

All Seminole Radio Control Club members and spouses or significant others are invited to our annual Christmas party. Our party will be held at Beef O'Brady's starting at 6:30 PM on December 15, 2016.



A brief club meeting will be held at 7:00 PM to elect our 2017 club officers. Then, the fun begins. Food and soft drinks from Beef's menu will be free. Members must pay for alcoholic beverages.

# Safety at the Field

Announce your intentions at the flight line. It is very important that other pilots at the flight line are aware of what you plan to do. Announce loudly and clearly when you plan to taxi, take off or land and in which direction. It is especially important if you experience some control problem. It is easy to forget to warn others if you are struggling with an emergency.

It is a good idea to let everyone know if you plan to do aerobatic maneuvers over the area beyond the runway.

# **Around the Field at the Veterans Day Event**



# Seminole Radio Control Club Tallahassee, Florida

#### **Officers**

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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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#### **Field Hours**

Electrics/Sailplanes 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset 7 days/week

Gassers/Nitros 10:00 AM until 30 minutes after sunset except Sunday.

Sunday gasser/nitro flying begins at 12:00 PM. All gassers and nitros must have a suitable muffler.

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