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October 2009

Letter from the Editor- Michael Hupp

I can feel it in the air. The cool breeze, the changing of the leaves (such as it is in Florida), the smell of the holidays in the wind, the sneezing, the coughing, the flu, the agony...

Don't let yourself get caught in the line of fire of some nasty bug. Keep bundled up when you fly, drink plenty of water and take your vitamins!!! Even when you think it is not too cold out for a sweater or jacket, viruses are more abundant in the cooler, denser air and they are looking for that chink in the armor. A little cold to a virus is like a broken wall of defense.



Chief Pilot - Mike Atkinson

The weather has begun to change and we are entering the prime flying season. Our Tuesday afternoon group is growing and I'm thrilled to be back at the field on a regular basis flying again. Unfortunately, there are a few issues which need to be addressed:

Field Safety: I'm not sure if it is ignorance of safety rules, or simply willful disregard, but it has gotten completely out of hand. Here are just a few of the safety issues at hand.

- There is no airplane taxi allowed inside of the pilot stations! I don't care if Gordie is at the field, or not (yes, that was the response one of our members gave to one of our officers when the safety violation occurred). Stop your engine beyond the flight line and either pull or carry the aircraft to your area.
- Both helicopter and fixed wing 3D flight is forbidden with the "box" extending out from the pilot stations $\frac{1}{2}$ of the width of the runway. If you are going to be performing 3D flight from the pilot stations, you must do so over the far side (or further) of the runway.
- AMA requires all pilots to maintain at least 25 feet from ALL OTHER INDIVIDUALS at ALL TIMES.
- AMA forbids willfully flying over unprotected individuals. If you see runners/walkers down by the tree line, it is your responsibility to try and avoid flying over them. If field maintenance is being performed (mowing the grass), fixed wing flight should not be started and helicopter flight should be restricted to the heli pads while the individual is on the runway.
- When a pilot is attempting to land, he/she should announce it to the other pilots. The others are then expected to clear the airspace immediately over the runway until the landing plane or helicopter is removed from the runway. If you are going to perform touch-and-go maneuvers, it is recommended you politely communicate and coordinate that the other pilots.
- Any high speed fly-by should be made on the far $\frac{1}{2}$ of the runway. Sorry, I'm guilty of this one and will try to do better!
- ATTENTION 3D HELICOPTER PILOTS – Please, Please, Please move your aircraft farther away from you during maneuvers on the heli pad. That's not actually a rule, but a simple request motivated by a genuine concern for your safety. What you do is so impressive, and I certainly cannot begin to fly that well. But, it's also extremely dangerous to you. One "dumb thumb" or mechanical malfunction, and you (or your student pilot beside you) could be decapitated!
- There is absolutely NO ALCOHOL allowed in the park...not just at our field and not only when you are flying. It is not even allowed in your car.
- These rules are in place for your safety and the safety of others around you. When you, or others, continually ignore these issues, tempers flare and things can get out of hand. Even if Gordie is not at the field, the rules are still in place. Please police each other so we can all be on the same page.



Runners at the Field: With the cross country course essentially finished, we will be



Chief Pilot - Mike Atkinson- cont.

seeing more runners at the field. That's just the way it is. The Parks and Recreation department will be placing warning signs along the trail as the runners approach our flying space. This should at least notify them we may be flying over them, but we should still try and avoid that, if possible. Pat Plocek at P&R has done a great job in beautifying our facility. Yes, we now have to share it with others. But what we have now is so much nicer than what we had just 1 year ago. P&R has never indicated anything but support for SRCC and our flying site.

Field Maintenance: Would you people who complain about occasionally having to wait on the field maintenance to be completed simply get a life! According to my figures, there are over 10,000 minutes in a week. Do you mean to tell me your time is so important you can't wait another 30-60 minutes for the runway to be mowed? These guys are volunteering their time and, sometimes, equipment to give you a great place to fly! Come on!!!!...Let's show a little appreciation!

Wings over Southwood: Scheduled for Sunday, October 11th, from 2:00 – 4:00. Featured Glow/Gas Pilots will be John Hall, Michael Atkinson, Geoff Lawrence, Mike Kinsey, and Bill Rogers. Featured flights will be every half hour. All other AMA and SRCC members will be allowed to fly ELECTRIC ONLY aircraft between featured flights. We will not be allowed to drive on the grass, so keep your load light so you won't have too much to carry.

Killlearn Lakes Float Fly-in: Scheduled for October 31st .at Lake Monkey Business. We should start about 9:00. Plans are to fly both electric and glow powered float planes. If you bring a glow powered plane, please behave yourself! There are houses surrounding the lake, which we do not want to disturb. This is a great chance for multiple flying dates. Let's make the most of the opportunity.

Finally, please be courteous to each other and have fun. Let's face it.....we get to play with some of the coolest toys available. Can't we all just enjoy it and forget the drama?

Happy flying,

Michael Atkinson

Upcoming AMA Regional Events

IRKS Fall Classic

FL

10/03/09 - Cocoa, FL (C) IRKS Fall Classic. Site: Club Field. Donald Fourson CD, 1099 Albion St NW Palm Bay FL 32907 PH:407-353-3941 email: combatgoblin2005@yahoo.com. Sponsor: IRKS Bud McMilliam Big Bird Fly In

Airmasters Airplane Club Fly In

GA

10/03/09 - Leesburg, GA (C) Airmasters Airplane Club Fly In. Site: Club Field. William M Savery CD, 2220 Greenoch Ave Albany GA 31707 PH: 224-436-2349 email: msavery@mchsi.com. Visit www.geocities.com/clubamac222. Sponsor: AIRMASTERS MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB

Fall Flyin' Hoedown

GA

10/04/09 - Powder Springs, GA (A) Fall Flyin' Hoedown for Cat 208, 212, 215, 218, 219(J)(SO), 202, 203, 206, 212, 220(JSO). Site: Ward Recreation Center. Pete Brown CD, 221 Woodland Way NW Cartersville GA 30120 PH:770-336-0670 email: thermal-thumbers@comcast.net. Visit www.thermalthumbers.com. Sponsor: THERMAL THUMBERS OF METRO ATLANTA



Upcoming AMA Regional Events - cont.

Rally of Eagles

FL

10/09/09-10/12/09 - Navarre, FL (C) Rally of Eagles. Site: Club Field. James Weems CD, 106 Willow Ridge Ln Indian Springs LA 35124 PH: 205-268-4430 email: jimweems@bellsouth.net. Scale type aircraft only. Sorry but no ARFS. Jets will be allowed. No overnight camping. Contact CD for any additional information. Sponsor: HOLLEY FLYERS

Warbirds Over Florida

FL

10/09/09-10/10/09 - Glen St Mary, FL (C-Restricted Giant Scale Warbird Assoc) Warbirds Over Florida. Site: Club Field. Bryan Stephens CD, 400 Lorenzo Dr Starke FL 32091 PH: 352-745-1556 email: homesmoke84@hotmail.com. Visit: www.shadetree.piczo.com. I-10 exit 333 to CR 125 N 2.6 miles, field on the right. Giant Scale Warbird Association rules apply. Sponsor: SHADETREE MINIATURE AIRCRAFT CLUB

Mulberry 500

FL

10/10/09-10/11/09 - Mulberry, FL (A) Mulberry 500 for 422, 424, 428 (JSO). Site: Newell Terry Field. Scott Smith CD, 4703 Benton St Lake Wales FL 33859 PH: 863-670-5141 email: ssmith@hansonwalter.com. Visit: www.imperialrcclub.com. First race of the 2010 SEMPRA racing season. 428 on Saturday, 422 on Sunday with SEMPRA rules. 424 both days. Sponsor: IMPERIAL RC CLUB

Hurricane Classic IMAC

FL

10/10/09-10/11/09 - Delray Beach, FL (AA) Hurricane Classic IMAC for 411, 412, 413, 414, 415(JSO). Site: Club Field. Don Hamilton Jr CD, 21749 Mountain Sugar Ln Boca Raton FL 33433 PH: 561-212-7358 email: flyinghamiltons@comcast.net. All classes including freestyle. Sponsor: PALM BEACH RADIO CONTROL ASSOCIATION

4th Annual IMAC Challenge

FL

10/10/09 - Pensacola, FL (AA) 4th Annual IMAC Challenge for 411, 412, 413, 414, 415(JSO). Site: Fritz Field. Greg Boswell CD, 3505 Mobile Highway Pensacola FL 32505 PH: 850-433-8245 email: gregbappraiser@aol.com. Visit: <http://www.nfmi.org/field>. GPS N30 31.079 W087 20.691. Sponsor: NORTHWEST MODEL FLYERS

Gathering of the Turkeys

FL

10/10/09-10/12/09 - Pensacola, FL (AAA) Gathering of the Turkeys for Cat III 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 101C, 102-103C, 104-105C, 120, 124, 128, 140, 142(JSO). Site: Navy Helo Field Site 8A. George White CD, 5928 Herritage Drive Pensacola FL 32504 PH:850-473-0866 email: white76@cox.net. Visit www.pensacolafreelflight.org. Full slate of Nos Gas Events, SAM OT Rubber (lg & sml), OT Pylon/CabinA, OT Pylon/Cabin B/C, Commercial Rubber, NFFS Classic Towline Glider, NFFS E36, Full Slate of FAC Events. Sponsor: PENSACOLA FREE FLIGHT TEAM

Barnstorming for Toys Benefitting The Salvation Army

FL

10/10/09-10/11/09 - Palmetto, FL (C) Barnstorming For Toys Benefitting the Salvation Army. Site: Club Field. Randy Boatman CD, 710 17th Ave West Palmetto FL 34221 PH:941-72-7547 email: randy.boatman@elfmagicstudio.com. Visit www.manateerc.com. Fly what you bring to help put on air show for The Salvation Army Christmas Toy Drive at the best 100'x500' grass field in FL, 9-3 daily, \$10 or new unwrapped toy landing fee for both days, includes pilot raffles and meal, RV parking w/water & elec, good food and real RRs on site, vendors welcome, all profits go The Salvation Army. Sponsor: MANATEE COUNTY RADIO CONTROLLERS INC



Upcoming AMA Regional Events - cont.

Jets Over the Cape

FL

10/10/09-10/11/09 - Cape Coral, FL (C) Jets Over the Cape. Site: Club Field. Edward Gamils CD, 701 Royal Poinciawa Punta Gorda FL 33955 PH:941-575-8047 email: egamils@hotmail.com. Visit www.rseahawks.org. Sponsor: R/SEAHAWKS

TRAC Fall Swap Meet and Auction

FL

10/10/09 - Tampa, FL (E) TRAC Fall Swap Meet and Auction. Site: Club Field. For Info: Denny PH:813-390-4062 after 3pm email: user776289@aol.com. Visit www.trac_tampa.homestead.com. All types of RC welcome, open 8am to 11am, auction at 10:30am, swap spaces \$10 each, general parking \$3, For current TRAC members swap spaces \$5 and no parking fee. Sponsor: TRAC

Senior Pattern Association Masters Championship

GA

10/10/09-10/11/09 - Dallas, GA (C) Senior Pattern Association Masters Championship. Site: Club Field. John Baxter Jr CD, 55 Independence Ave Dallas GA 30132 PH: 770-289-5783 email: rjbaxter2@comcast.net. Come fly in the last SPA contest for the 2009 season. Sponsor: PAULDING COUNTY MODEL AVIATION

Monster Planes USA

FL

10/15/09-10/17/09 - Lake Wales, FL (C) Monster Planes USA. Site: Lake Wales Airport. Frank Tiano CD, 3607 Ventura Dr E Lakeland FL 33811 PH:863-370-1288 email: frank@franktiano.com. Visit www.monsterplanes.com. For models weighing 35 lbs minimum, no 3D flying but aerobatic types are welcome, registration forms on website, vendors welcome, motor coaches welcome but no hookups, overweight models can get their permits to fly on site. Sponsor: IMPERIAL RC

Georgia Warbird Invasion

GA

10/16/09-10/18/09 - Cartersville, GA (C) Georgia Warbird Invasion. Site: Club Field. Fred Bucksmyth CD, 269 Marketplace Blvd #227 Cartersville GA 30121 PH:678-234-6182 email: kf8b_ag0gi@netzero.net. Visit www.taildraggersrc.com. Replicas of full scale warbirds 1911 to 1950 w/ 80" min wingspan monoplane or 60" biplane, open flying format w/judges and peoples choice awards, pre-registration is free, register on site \$20. Sponsor: TAILDRAGGERS RC CLUB

Osceola Flyers Fly In

FL

10/17/09 - Kissimmee, FL (C) Osceola Flyers Fly In. Site: Club Field. Howard Hosenbold CD, 3134 Crested Circle Orlando FL 32837 PH:407-856-2544 email: howardh1951@hotmail.com. Visit www.osceolaflyers.org. prizes, vendors, food and refreshments available, 8am to 5pm, \$5 landing fee includes parking, seeking volunteer RC demonstrations, electric or gas, large or small, all welcome. Sponsor: OSCEOLA FLYERS

Fall Helicopter Gathering

FL

10/17/09-10/18/09 - Jacksonville, FL (C) Fall Helicopter Gathering. Site: Club Field. Andrew Griffith CD, 1600 Chain Fern Way Orange Park FL 32003 PH: 904-993-4956 email: barracudahockey@aol.com. Our 3rd annual helicopter fly-in for any type of helicopter. Concessions, pilot and raffle prizes. Top factory pilots will be present. www.jaxrc.com to pre-register. @20 landing fee includes Saturday lunch. Sponsor: RC CLUB OF JACKSONVILLE



Upcoming AMA Regional Events - cont.

Ocala Scale Aerobatics

FL

10/23/09-10/25/09 - Ocala, FL (AA) Ocala Scale Aerobatics for 411, 412, 413, 414, 415(JSO). Site: Club Field. Fred Johnson Jr CD, 8504 SE 72nd Ave Ocala FL 34472 PH:352-307-8686 email: rareeagle2@aol.com. Visit www.ocalaflyingmodelclub.com. Campig allowed at field no hookups, 110 volt electric for battery charge only, cook shack open for breakfast and lunch. Sponsor: OCALA FLYING MODEL CLUB

IMAA District 5 Mini-fest

FL

10/22/09-10/24/09 - Glen St Mary, FL (C-Restricted to IMAA) IMAA District 5 Mini-fest. Site: Club Field. John Mason CD, PO Box 1436 Glen St Mary FL 32040 PH:604-868-2813. Visit www.shadetree.picza.com. Elec available for charging, RV's welcome. Sponsor: SHADETREE

Zephyr Electric Fly In

FL

10/23/09-10/25/09 - San Antonio, FL (C) Zephyr Electric Fly In. Site: Club Field. Richard Scott CD, 39521 Keiths Circle Zephyrhills FL 33542 PH:813-779-4091 email: Richard.g.scott@att.net. Visit www.zephr.info. If it flies and it is electric it is welcome, huge raffle, good food, camping, no hook-ups, night flying, no vendor fees. Sponsor: CAN AM FLYERS

Chief Treasurer- Theo Titus

Editor's Note: The Treasurer's report is published for Members only. The public version of the Newsletter does not include account balances.

Checking Accounts

Capital City Bank	\$000.00
Premier Bank	\$000.00

Savings Accounts

Capital City Savings	\$000.00
Sun Trust CD	\$000.00

Funds for Deposit

\$000.00

Cash On Hand

\$000.00

Total Assets

\$000.00

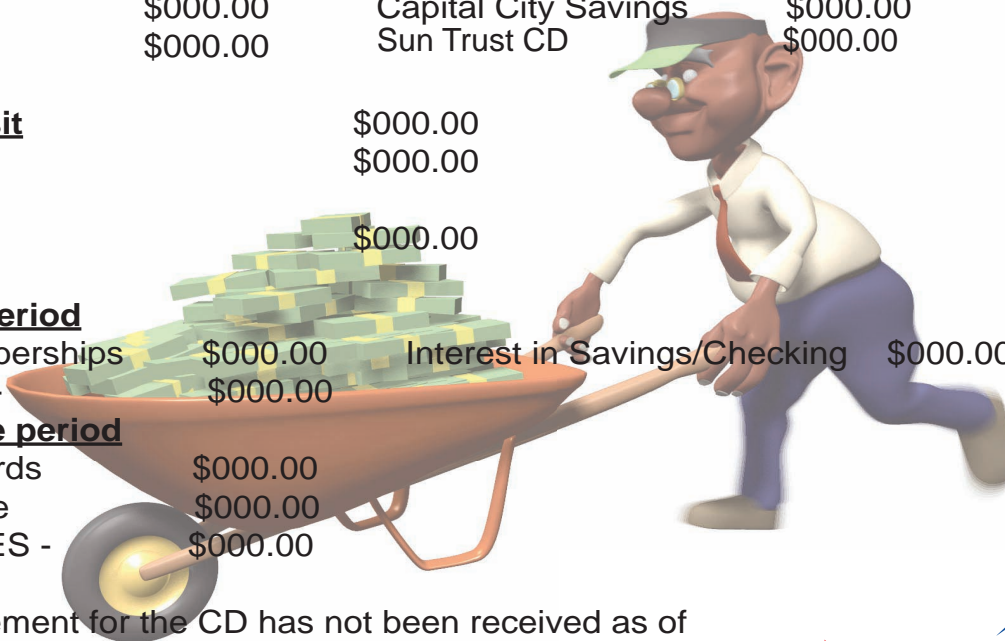
Income for the period

Dues / New Memberships	\$000.00	Interest in Savings/Checking	\$000.00
TOTAL INCOME -	\$000.00		

Expenses for the period

Plaques and Awards	\$000.00
Field Maintenance	\$000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES -	\$000.00

The monthly statement for the CD has not been received as of this date.



September Minutes

9/03/2009

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm by Vice President Mike Kinsey.
Welcome new members Frank Lupp, friend of Farley Light, and Phil Kreth, FSU Masters student.
Welcome guest Chris Roberts and, as always, it's great to see Ory

Theo Titus read the minutes of the August meeting. Motion to accept the minutes made, seconded and passed.

Theo Titus read the Treasurers Report. Motion to accept the report was made, seconded and passed.

Old Business

Discussed need for new front gate lock, Theo will pick one up.

Fall events were discussed, including Fall FlyIn and Warbird FlyIn.. Warbird FlyIn set for December 12, Fall FlyIn to be determined..

New Business

Theo will print and post new member applications at the field.
Theo stated he still needs AMA numbers from some members who have renewed club dues.
New No-Fly List to be released and posted soon.

Thanks to Robin Driscoll for mowing using his personal mower.

Keith Sandell suggested the club have letterhead printed so when we fly for schools and local events, we'll have a point of contact to receive credit.

Fred Schmidt is working with the Golden Eagle and Killlearn Lakes neighborhood associations to obtain invitations for the club to float fly at neighborhood events.

Geoff Lawrence discussed the new club trainers, a World Models Skyraider powered by a Thunder Tiger 46 and a new Goldberg Tiger 60 powered by our old OS-60. Both trainers are complete, set up with buddy boxes, and ready to train.

Chris Bailey raised the possibility of quarterly meetings.

With no more business or announcements, the motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed at 7:38pm



Seminole Radio Control Club Tallahassee, FL

AMA Charter #216, 1969-2009

SRCC Officers

President – **Mike Atkinson**
Vice President – **Mike Kinsey**
Secretary – **Geoff Lawrence**
Newsletter Editor – **Michael Hupp**
Treasurer – **Theo Titus**
Field Marshall – **Joe Satterwhite**
Field Safety Officer- **Gordie Meade**

Field Hours

For Gas and Nitro (wet) - 12:00 noon until dark

For Electric - 9:00 a.m. until dark

Training Notes

To schedule a training time contact Mike Atkinson.

Flight Instructors

Mike Atkinson- Primary/ Advanced Flight Instructor (Coordinator)	926-4692
Mike Kinsey- Primary/ Advanced Flight Instructor	
Geoff Lawrence- Primary/ Advanced Flight Instructor	942-9807
John Hall- Primary/ Advanced Helicopter Flight Instructor	893-6457
Jay Leudecke- Primary/ Advanced Helicopter Flight Instructor	508-7135
Jeff Owens- Ground School/ Airworthiness Instructor (Fixed Wing)	894-2504
Frank Bastos- Hobby Town Flight Demonstrator	671-2030

Club Meeting Location and Time

November- March: The regular club meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Grace Lutheran Church on Miccosukee Rd. Head out Miccosukee Rd., cross Capital Circle NE, and the entrance will be the first one on your right. Once you park, follow the sidewalk around the left side of the building and go down the hill. We meet in a room on the first level.

April- October: The regular club meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at **7:00 PM** at the Flying Field. The Club offers food and drinks for a small charge.

Newsletter Submissions- Submissions are requested to be in M.S. Word format or via e-mail text. Photos should be in .jpg or .tif format. Vector art accepted in Corel, Illustrator and AUTOCAD format. We will, however, accept anything to make it easier for those who wish to contribute. Submissions are due no later than the 23rd of the month. Send your submissions to Michael Hupp - hbhobbies@gmail.com

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