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AMA 1605

AMA Gold Leader Club

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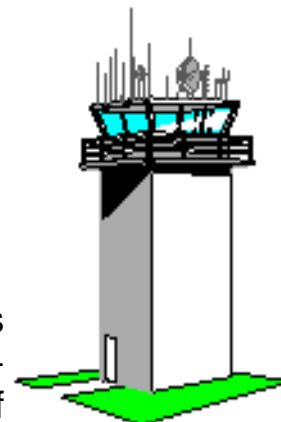
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From The Control Tower

PRESIDENT: Larry Roloff



What a great summer we have had thus far. Kids at home for the summer, Grandkids visiting grandma and grandpa (lots of cartoons and swimming), traveling here and there to visit family and great vacations. Has anyone had an opportunity to fly any this summer? If you still know how to fly, please set up a training session with me, I know I need some help.

As of this writing (7-24-04), only about 35% of our 2004 membership has paid their dues for the next fiscal year. Remember, the dues are due on August the first. This is just a reminder to get your dues in so you will get the new combination to the gate.

We are looking forward to lots of fun during the Big Bird 2004 on September the 25 and 26. Also, the Best Electrics in South Texas will be taking place at the Barnstormers field on October 8, 9, and 10.

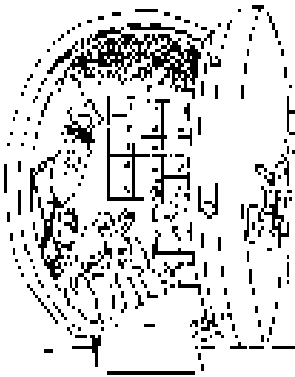
I am looking forward to flying and visiting with you at the Barnstormers field. Please try to make the August meeting at the Community Center in Willis on August 5, 2004, at 7:30.

Field Operations

VICE-PRESIDENT: Jon Bartosheck



The guys are doing a great job of keeping the field mowed. Be sure to clean up the equipment after you finish mowing. Remember that anyone who brings a guest to the field is responsible for that guest. After 3 visits a guest who flies at the field must join the club or cease flying there. All flyers, members or guests, must maintain current AMA membership. New members who would like a Barnstormers nametag can contact me @ 936-293-1113 or the next meeting. Cost is \$4.



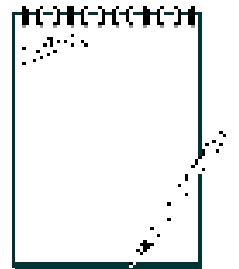
Bank On It

TREASURER – Harper Taylor

All of the annual dues invoices have been sent out and as of 7-16-04 I have received payments from 45 individuals. Another member has indicated that they are not renewing. If possible, try to have your renewals to me by the first of August. Currently the only major expenditure we have in front of us is the tractor which will be paid for in March 2005.

Note Worthy Points

SECRETARY: Mike Gamber



How the raffle works:

The raffle items will be sorted into groups. As we sell raffle tickets to cover the cost of the items, more groups will be eligible for the raffle. Anything that doesn't make it into the raffle for that month will be group #1 in the next months raffle. So how much stuff is given away depends on how many tickets we sell. So buy lots of tickets to get lots of prizes!



EDITOR: Bob Johnson

In the continuing effort to find the ideal configuration for the newsletter, I have come up with this format – this allows everyone to see the same thing, either on-line or on paper. Please let me know what you think.

I am also looking for photographers to help cover the up-coming Big Bird and BEST events, digital preferred.

August 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
MEETING						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Field Maintenance Schedule

- **Week of 1st** – David Kennedy (936) 756-8186, James King (281) 592-5985, Richard Kobes (936) 539-6073
- **Week of 8th** – Raymond Kohn (281) 259-9356, Mark Kozak (281) 367-3229, Robert Kozak (281) 363-0790
- **Week of 15th** – Paul Langer (281) 350-1053, Joe Lauterbach (936) 856-5360, Andrew Lauth (936) 449-4808
- **Week of 22nd** – Kerry Lee (936) 449-6533, Peter Lepir (936) 597-4246, Larry E. Lewis (936) 856-2263
- **Week of 29th** – Bill Malone (936) 582-6229, Gregory Marshall (936) 756-8190, Kirk Massey (936) 856-8628

Meeting Minutes for 07-01-2004

Meeting called to order at 7:31pm.

All officers were present.

Visitors:

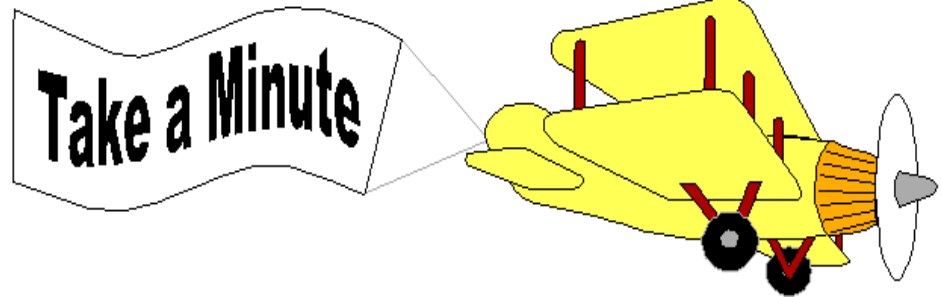
Gary Baumgartner. Lives in Conroe thinking about getting into this hobby.
Gary's brother, Doug. Flew 10-15 years ago, looking to get back in with Gary.
Mike Wood. Recently moved from Fort Worth.

Larry Roloff read the minutes from previous meeting. People that don't have email need to get with Bob Johnson so that they will have read the minutes by the meeting. Motion to approve minutes as read by Bob Schloter, seconded by John Schuren.

Harper gave the Treasurers report. Dues reminders have gone out. 1st of September the locks will be changed, so get your dues payment in.

New member Michael Wood was unanimously approved.

Jon Bartoshek gave the field report. Field is wet. Too many smokers are putting cigarette butts on the ground. Please make sure to take the butts with you, no one wants to pick up the nasty things, so do it your self. If you don't fly for 10 minutes, please put your frequency pin back.



Al got some aerial pictures of the field and has given them to Bob Johnson for inclusion on web site.

There was a question about where you can fly gliders from. Power gliders should be flown from the flight station. Ken Bauske suggests going to south end of the field to get out of the regular pattern.

E-newsletter. There were troubles getting the newsletter out. Things are being worked on. Mailed version did not go out as planned. Should be corrected for next month.

Scott Mroscoe updated us on the electric fly-in. Kirk Jensen went to a big fly in and talked to some big names to come down to event. Still need to talk to vendors to get stuff donated. People will be placing flyers at hobby shops around the country.

Max updated us on the Big Bird. Jetero has a contest on our date. We will try better next year.

Mike Gamber on the 3D issues. Need more help to come up with solutions. Rudy and Mike have met at the field to talk about options to keep 3D flyers out of the regular patterns. Contact Mike Gamber or Rudy Rymal if interested in helping. Jon brought up the AMA guidelines.

Ken Bauske reported that Ruth Lepir has given us a collection of RC planes built and flown by her late husband and Barnstormer member Jack. Ruth's son, Barnstormer member Pete Lepir, recently delivered these planes to the clubhouse for our use. President Roloff said he wishes to express his grateful appreciation to the Lepirs on behalf of the entire membership.

Motion to adjourn by Loman Reeves and seconded by Jim Porter. Unanimous.

Adjourned at 8:04pm



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Balsa & Re-Kitting Tips

VICE-PRESIDENT: Jon Bartosheck

1. When you drop little parts on the floor, use a piece of masking tape to pick them up.
2. To keep from leaving your AMA membership card at the field after flying, make a color copy of the card (with the membership renewal sticker attached) and bring the copy to the field to put on the board. Leave the original in your car, flight box, or at home.
3. Take the wire winding from an old transformer and use that to solder landing gear or tie things together. And it's free – if you don't count the cost of the transformer!
4. When you build your next airplane, fold a trash bag into the fuselage, it will be right there when you crash, or re-kit the plane. It's called a **re-kitting** bag.

