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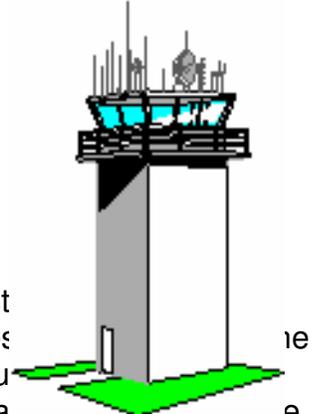
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From The Control Tower

PRESIDENT: Larry Roloff



As we enter into the new fiscal year, for the Barnst want to challenge each member to be alert and res flying field. That is, each member should get acqu that shows up at the field, while you are there. Make sure that they are a member or a prospective member. Our Club allows a prospective member to fly three times before joining. Make sure that anyone flying has a valid AMA card. Driver's licenses and credit cards are not acceptable in the frequency slots; this applies to visitors and members alike.

We have had problems in the resent past where people have taken advantage of our generosity and fly for months on end without joining our club. We have a roster of members posted on the bulletin board at the field, when people are flying, check their AMA card against the roster and if you determine anyone is not a member, of our Club, approach them and advise them of our policy. If you have a problem, call me at 713-851-9625.

If a member has a guest, that member should take the intuitive to make sure that their guest follows the club guidelines, and advised that guest that after three visits, they must join or find somewhere to fly.

We have put a lot of money & energy into providing a world class, quality and safe RC flying facility. It is every member's responsibility to step up to the plate and protect our investment. Please be a responsible member and help protect our investment.

Field Operations

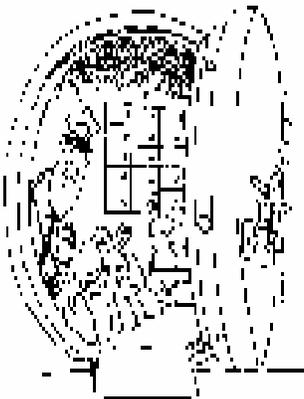
VICE-PRESIDENT: Jon Bartoshek



For all of you who haven't been to the field lately, or not at all, the congr again! We now have a wonderful handicapped ramp and two (count 'em two) special thanks to all of the members who participated in the Giant Pour.

I'd like to remind everyone about the Big Bird on Sept. 25 – 26th. We will discuss the final plans at the meeting. And additionally, mark your calendar for the BEST – Electric fly, Oct. 8, 9, 10th.

Last but not least, I still have T-shirts (size large and extra-large), one Orange extra-large Barnstormer jacket, and a few solid white and tan caps. Any member who would like a Barnstormers nametag can contact me @ 936-293-1113 or the next meeting. Cost is \$4. Those who have already ordered a nametag can pick them up off the bulletin board at the field.



Bank On It

TREASURER – Harper Taylor

We had 161 members. As of Aug. 19, 2004, 115 had sent in their annual dues; we had three new members join at the August meeting. I wish to thank the members that are out-stand- ing and have not yet made their payments as soon as possible. We would like to continue growing our club so everyone is needed.

Our Constitution and By-Laws concerning the late payment of dues (Article V). Since I have been in the club I do not think this has been much of an issue.

End of this month and the BEST in the first part of October, there will be a lot of jobs for a multitude of jobs.

Thanks for photos at the events, but more would be even better – anyone else?



EDITOR: Bob Johnson

September 2004

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

Field Maintenance Schedule

Underlined name is leader for the week

Week of 5th – Bart Massey (936) 856-7931, Ray Mathis (936) 856-5518, Richard McCants (936) 765-4537

Week of 12th – Tim McDonnell (936) 273-1884, Robert Monroe Jr. (281) 684-3595, Richard McCants (936) 765-4537

Week of 19th – Larry Moore (936) 856-7409, Dick Moore (936) 856-5417, Scott Mrosko (936) 539-5123

Week of 26th – Herb Newstrom (936) 588-6768, Jim Newton (936) 594-0282, John M. Nye Jr. (936) 445-1739

August 5, 2004

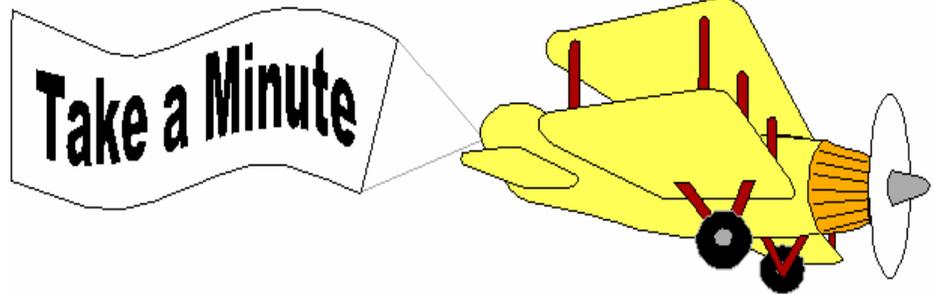
President Roloff called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. There were 38 members and 6 guests present. Guests were introduced and the minutes of the July meeting were approved as displayed on the web site Prop Wash.

The new memberships of Hugh Brown, Ronnie Rushing, and Gary Baumgartner were approved.

Treasurer Harper Taylor reported that the August 1 Barnstormer membership head count was 161. However, only 94 had paid their dues. Harper is sending out past-due reminders to those who have not yet renewed their memberships. Vice President Jon Bartoshek said he was going to change the gate code on September 1. The new code will only be disclosed to paid-up members. The code, along with a new Barnstormer sticker, will be sent out the last week of August. The Barnstormer sticker should be saved and affixed to your 2005 AMA card when it is received for next year's membership.

Vice President Bartoshek gave the Field Committee Report: The field is in good condition and the mowing is going well. Certain areas, such as the safety strips to the north and south of the flight stations, are being mowed more often than usual to get rid of the bahia grass. Ray Withrow will take care of this mowing and the regular crews should not mow these areas. Mowing crews should wash off the equipment after each use to keep the grass from hardening on it.

Jon also reported that frequency pins are disappearing and he urged members to



return these if they discover they have walked off with them. Channel 55 is presently missing. Jon also said he has Barnstormer hats to sell and that he will order name tag/pins for \$4. The pins are especially recommended for new members, whose names may otherwise remain unknown to us.

Scott Mrosko gave the Electric Fly report: Bob Bissell is well underway with the kitchen and food arrangements. A team of volunteers is calling sponsors for their support, with good results. Members should spread the word about our meet to be held on October 8, 9, and 10. Greg Gathright is working to develop appropriate trophies and plaques.

Max Taylor and Jon Bartoshek reported that the notice for our Big Bird event, to be held September 25 and 26, has now been published in the Model Aviation Magazine Event Schedule. The date conflict with Jetero has been resolved in our favor and no other Big Bird event will be held on the same days in this area. Help is needed to distribute posters publicizing our Big Bird.

New Business- Jon Bartoshek needs member volunteers to help prepare our handicap ramp for a concrete pour. He

asked that Barnstormer workers report for duty on Saturday morning, August 14. The concrete is coming on Monday August 16. He needs at least 6 or 7 of us.

Mike Payne asked if our web site could host videos. Editor and Webmaster Bob Johnson said he would explore this possibility. In any case, Bob said he always needs digital pictures of club activities for the web site and asked members to send him some.

Show and Tell: Ken Bauske- Dynafite Bird of Time sailplane, converted to electric power.

Attendance Jackpot: Clint Caroon had the winning name. But, because Clint was not at the meeting, the attendance prize was rolled over until next month's drawing.

Raffle: Fred Dennis, John Schuren, and Gene Best each won a raffle prize.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55p.m.

*Ken Bauske
Substitute Secretary for Mike Gamber*



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Balsa Bits

To thread tubing from the tank to the engine, or tank to muffler, through that little bitty hole, make life easy on yourself. Cut the tubing on an angle and thread it like a needle.

Use tapered foam ear plugs from Home Depot, Walmart, etc. to plug your exhaust pipe while transporting your airplane. It stops the oil from leaking all over "da plaze".

You know all those paper towel and toilet paper tubes that get thrown away? Well save a couple and use them as sleeves over the cords of your electrical tools.

To get wings to fit in the saddle, or to get other parts to match up, stick two pieces of sandpaper back to back and side them back and forth between the mating pieces. Presto, a perfect fit.

Lost & Found

LOST – **BP Kayvan Starter** *attached to battery pac with electric tape* – left at the field end of May. Not noticed 'till I returned from vacation. Bob Gills – 936-446-2348

FOUND – **Servo Cable Extension** – on the ground in front of the bulletin board – hung it on the board.

Name Tag – yes, there is a name on it, but I'm not going to print it here ('cause I can't remember it) – just check and see if you are missing yours. If you are, it might be hanging on the bulletin board out at the field.