



THE PROP WASH

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Gary Baumgartner

PRESIDENTS CORNER

From el Presidente

SNAKES on a PLANE

Yes, you read right. The title of this is "Snakes on a Plane". Do I have your attention? Actually the reason for this is I happened upon a snake at the field recently. I was minding my own business. Was in the pavilion setting up planes and using the charging bench. Had been in this mode for about thirty minutes when I discovered a snake next to one of the charging bench legs. I had been walking around the

thing all that time. It was alive but moving very slowly because it had just inhaled a small bird. How do I know that? Well I will tell you how I know. After I attacked it with a hoe and literally chopped it into several pieces it had feathers poking out. Now I must admit I have an unreasonable fear of snakes but when required I can deal with them. I was the first one to field that morning so I left the evidence for others to identify. Guess what? It was identified as a copperhead. Yes, ladies and gentlemen, a copperhead on the concrete in the pavilion.

Do I still have your attention. Several years ago one of our members suffered a snake bite. He was wearing sandals. I noticed recently other members wearing sandals. I recommend wearing closed shoes. You certainly are engaging in risky behavior if you go wandering into the tall grass to retrieve a plane and you are wearing sandals. If you don't heed this warning then you may have to suffer the consequences of your behavior. I might feel bad for you but not likely really bad. Don't say you haven't been warned.

HAVE FUN, BE SAFE, LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER

And this:

"Nothing is improbable until it moves into the past tense." -
George Ade, American writer (1866-1944)

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Meetings are at the Conroe Friendship Center on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM
We hope to see you there.



Max Taylor

Words from the VP

(The Vice President's Input)

We have had some really hot and muggy days to start the summer. I think this would be a good time to refresh our memories about the Progression of Heat Related Injuries and recommended treatments.

Heat related injuries progress from Heat Cramps to Heat Exhaustion to Heat Stroke.

The symptoms and treatment recommendations are as follows:

Heat Cramps Symptoms - muscle cramps, general weakness and dizziness.

Treatment - move to a cool shady area, electrolyte drinks, massage the cramped area, and apply moist towels to the cramped muscle and to the patient's forehead. If the symptoms worsen, transport the patient to a medical facility.

Heat Exhaustion Symptoms - rapid and shallow breath, weak pulse, cold clammy skin, heavy perspiration, weakness and dizziness.

Treatment - move to a cool shady place, remove enough clothing to cool the patient, fan the patient's skin to promote sweat evaporation, if conscious provide electrolyte drinks, treat for shock and transport to a medical care facility.

Heat Stroke Symptoms - Deep breathing becoming progressively more shallow, Rapid strong pulse becoming weaker, Dry hot skin, Unconsciousness, seizures & muscular twitching, Dilated pupils.

Treatment - Remove the patient from any heat sources & remove clothing, Immerse the patient in cool water, or use cold wet towels or ice packs on the patient's armpits, groin area, under the neck & behind the knees. Treat for shock and transport to medical care facilities.

Our best bet is to avoid Heat Stress related injuries by drinking plenty of water, frequent sipping is better than guzzling. Wear loose fitting clothing that protects the entire body, long sleeved shirts and long pants are better than tank tops and shorts. Wear a big hat and sunglasses. Use sun screen rated at 30 spf+. The sunglasses may not prevent Heat Stroke, but they will give you a few more years before cataract surgery is required. The sunscreen may delay or prevent the need for skin cancer treatment.

Stay Cool, Max

Meeting Minutes

(The Secretary's Report)



Larry Bonnette

July 1 2010

20 members present

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 by President Gary Baumgartner.

One guest was present.

Tom Walter donated hardware to the club. Members were allowed to take what they wanted.

The June Minutes were approved.

Vice president Max Taylor reported that the field looks good. He found another leaky valve in the sprinkler system. He will get the hardware needed and repair it. Max said that the road needs a little work. He also said that there is a pile of scrap metal that needs to be removed. He still needs volunteers for weekend mowing.

Treasurer reports that the renewals are in the mail. Members should check the information and if any is incorrect, they should inform him. Four members have not joined the AMA. If they try to renew their club membership, the club will refuse their renewal.

Rudy Novotny will be placing a sign near the telephone at the field with instruction for emergency calls.

Adam was not at the meeting but he sent word that there were no issues in June. He also relayed that members should announce take off and landing to other flyers at the field.

Bart reviewed the applications for the college "helping hand" award. Based on his recommendation the club voted unanimously to award \$500 each to: Samantha Gathright and Trevin Massey.

Gary called the AMA to see what the status was of our application as a "Gold Leader Club". The AMA said that we have met the requirements and that the acceptance letter is in the mail. Gary mention that it would be nice if the executive committee came up with at way to pass on information to new officers regarding the status of "Gold Leader"

Minutes (continued)

Gary stated that rule 13 (If you "suggest" something be accomplished at the club. Be prepared to be a part of the solution) may apply to the following question.

Is there anything that members think needs to be done at the field ?

The following was suggested:

Pest control of the club house. IE spraying, Mice etc removal. Bart Massey will contact Willis Pest control and get information.

Jack Evens Rose garden restoration. Mike Wood will take care of it.

BEST dates are October 2 and 3

Gary suggested that we change the "Model of the month" prize. Instead of a can of fuel he suggested that we give all entrants a raffle ticket. Members countered with instead of a can of fuel we will give a \$20 gift certificate to the winner. Members agreed and at the next meeting we will start the new prize of a \$20 gift certificate.

Model of the month was won by Brian Sauers

Attendance was won by Steve Sinner but since Steve was not there the jackpot will roll over.

Name Tag winner was Dick Pursley

Meeting adjourned at 8:20



Dick Pursley

Dick's Doin's

(Treasury Report)

Hello all,

We now have 153 members after Perry Baycroft joined at the last meeting.

I mailed the dues renewal notices at the first of July. You should have received yours by now. If you did not, let me know. Please review all the information and correct as necessary and send the corrected form back in with your dues. The dues have already started coming in. I will send receipts after the majority of dues have come in. Hopefully I will be able to get them out EARLY in August. As usual, the receipts will also contain the gate/clubhouse lock combination for the upcoming year as well as your sticker for your AMA card.

Hopefully, you can get some flying in with a plane that does NOT have floats soon.

'Til next time.

Dick



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THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE

August 5th