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Meeting Notes

Jerry's Hanger – February 12th, 2007

The discussion last month on the possibility of having Rookie races on a different day was brought back up. There was no new information from the Ft. Worth Thunderbirds as to when they were going to have their races. We will wait until more information is available for this decision.

The fun fly event was discussed with the AMA headquarters in regards to having a non-sanctioned event. A CD is not required for a fun fly. But with any type of sanctioned event, a CD would be required. Therefore, a non-sanctioned fun fly will be done. Bob Butler will be heading up this event. You can contact Bob at (214) 244-5990 after 2:00 P.M. if you are interested in helping out with this event. Steve Orcutt with C and D was contacted to see if it was acceptable to have such an event at the field. He was ok with it as long as we had

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Club Upcoming Events

Club Meeting – March 12, 7:00 PM
Rookie Races – March 11, 1:30 P.M.
Club Meeting at Ramskill Field

someone watching the gate. There is more information on this subject at the end of the newsletter.

The question for a Build a Rookie day was presented in the last newsletter. No volunteers came forward to work out this event. As a result, this type of event will not be pursued unless someone volunteers to head up the event.

Someone stopped at the C and D office to see if they could go down and check out the flying field. To try and prevent further traffic stopping in at C and D, a short note will be added to the website which states that the field can be entered by appointment only and not to stop in at the C and D main office.

It was noted that membership for the STRCC members who have not paid their dues will have their STRCC membership terminated at the end of February.

Jim Dietrick mentioned something about the petra-mat and more stakes used to tack it down. A recent inspection showed that it look like it was doing ok.

The windsock was torn and needs to be replaced. A new windsock will be ordered by Bruce Anderson. Joe Sudduth will supply Bruce with the dimensions for the old windsock.

Duane said he will look into getting some new netting for the pilot to runway barrier. The old orange netting is starting to deteriorate.

There was discussion of painting of the shade awning. A workday was not set up for this.

Duane Riedel will be placed on the STRCC intro-pilot program.

AMA has sent out the club membership / insurance forms. The club leadership, insurance, and STRCC membership information forms will be filled out and sent off to the AMA office. The insurance certificate will be delivered to C and D when it comes in from AMA.

Two engine starting stands have been approved for construction and Steven Cosby will be heading up this effort.

The meeting was adjourned.

STRCC lapel pins are available for those of you who ordered them. You can pick them up at the club meeting. The pins are \$6.00 each.

Bruce Anderson
STRCC Sect./Treasurer



February '07 –

There were races this month. Larry Nelson has put together a great listing of the points and year end total. However, due to technical difficulties (e-mail lost for last 3 months), the results for January will have to be postponed until next month.

Thanks Larry, Jerry, and Mason for the coordination of the events and to Phil Penner for helping with the pole watching!

The March races are scheduled for Sunday, 11th at 1:30 P.M. Hope to see you at the field for some great races. Race cancellation due to weather will be made by 12:30 P.M. and can be heard by calling Jerry Terhune at (H) 817-483-0321 or (C) 817-688-5763. If you can't get Bruce, try Larry Nelson at (H) 817-477-5330 or (C) 817-480-8358. Races canceled for weather will be rescheduled for the following Sunday.

STRCC Name Tags are Here!



Check them out at:
<http://www.royshobby.com/>

The above is a photo of the STRCC club pin. The pins were created by Greg Judy. There was an order placed for about 30 pins. If you ordered one, the cost of the pin is \$6.00. Don't forget the club meeting is at the field and you can your name tag there.

Raffle at Next Club Meeting!

I believe there will be another raffle at the club meeting. Joe Sudduth was the winner of the gift certificate given to STRCC by Roy's Hobby Shop in Hurst, Texas. The certificate is worth \$25 of merchandise to be used at Roy's. So if you come to the meeting, you can win! If you do win, make sure to thank the people at Roy's for their generosity.

**Don't forget the Club Meeting
March 12, 7:00 PM
Club Meeting at Ramskill Field
Spring Forward this Month as we will
get one more hour of flying time in!**



ROY'S HOBBY SHOP

3/7/2007

Fun Fly! – Bob Butler

I have included a list of events and the items needed for the event. There are five events listed, but 3 or so usually work well. The two previous fun flies I organized had four events. The last had E-combat as interstitial events to allow the pilots time to refuel and repair if needed. Having four event with the interstitial events made for a full day, and more than might be favorable for a first event.

I would propose having the Pylon races as the foundation of the fun fly at STRCC. Perhaps we start with a Rookie class race. Then go to a spot landing contest; followed by a second round of racing, perhaps an open class. Next would be an event such as the limbo. The final event may be a race between the leaders of the two races.

For Spot landing, in the past we drew the rings with lime powder on a grass runway. The lime washed away naturally. Unless there is some sort of problem with lime touching the runway, it should work the same way. One alternative would be baking flour. Limbo using telescoping cane poles is very safe for the aircraft. In higher winds, using yarn works well. Balloon pop is fine with no wind. Release a balloon and try to pop it. This is resource consuming because you need Helium, and the release to the decision to abort drags on. Combat is self explanatory, and a crowd favorite. The E-flyers from Hawk Field really know how to put on a show. The immanent carnage is always a crowd pleaser.

It is always good to have someone running the Barbeque grill. We were able to obtain significant donations from food services. We never sold food. We did ask for donations to cover the cost. We usually tripled our food investment.

A P.A. system is must have if the event is going to be of any size. Music during the events adds to the flavor as does a quick witted announcer. This event can be as big or little as you like. It

is best to cut your teeth on a word of mouth event. I would imagine you will get several people from local clubs who have common friendships.

The last fun fly had over \$700 in prizes and a NIB Ultrastick 40 raffle prize. We gave away prizes for each event, and drawings for paid, registered pilots as well. We actually had pilots register (pay) who didn't, fly just to get in our drawings.

For our first event, I would keep it simple and low cost or free.

Here are some pictures of the last two from last May and October of 2005

<http://www.skyblazersrc.com/ff052106.htm>

<http://www.skyblazersrc.com/ff05.htm>

List of volunteers needed for the Fun Fly Event

Contact Bob at (214) 244-5990 after 2:00 P.M.
if you would like to volunteer for this event.

Item	Name of Volunteer	Item	Name of Volunteer
<p>Events coordinator Events advisor</p>			
<p>Events</p> <p>balloon pop</p> <p>Fill and release person Timer score keeper</p> <p>Need ballons, masking tape, helium</p> <p>spot landing (three tries)</p> <p>someone to draw the circles score keeper</p> <p>Need 15 lbs of flour</p> <p>pylon race</p> <p>score keeper pylon 1 pylon 2 pylon 3</p> <p>Each pilot will need a lap/cut counter</p> <p>combat</p> <p>scorekeeper Timer</p> <p>need ribbons Each person will need a spotter for cuts</p> <p>Limbo</p> <p>Timing Judge Pole monitors</p> <p>Need telescoping cane Poles and red ribbon or yarn</p>		<p>Administrative</p> <p>Check-In, treasurer may need some form of tickets for drawings</p> <p>Radio Impound person to impound radios person to impound radios</p> <p>Need impound facility</p> <p>Food Service Manager cook</p> <p>Prizes</p>	