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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

"Rudy" Smith 4th
 Charlie Patterson 6th
 Ed Deeson 8th
 Mike Thomas 18th
 Ken Terry 21st

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!

THE NEXT MEETING IS:

May 6th

June 3rd, July 1st, August 5th, September

The deadline for contributions to the next newsletter will be:

May 16th.

The list of members who showed up to help is too long to list here, but many thanks to all who pitched in and helped.

Thanks again to everyone who helped out and keep flying safe!

A Note from the Secretary
Keith Hunt:

Myself and others who knew Howard "Goodie" Goodman are deeply saddened to hear of his passing. Goodie, along with other fellow flyers that we have lost over the years, contributed greatly to our club and our sport. We sometimes take a lot for granted, never thinking that we could loose our flying buddies....our friends, while we're busy at the field or the meetings. Many of our "senior" members have an astonishing amount of

knowledge in model aviation and aviation in general and is there for the asking. In earlier days, Goodie inspired and helped me many times with good advice that contributed greatly to my flying and appreciation to this sport.

The next time we're at the field, while we can, let's make sure we show our respect and appreciation to those who have paved the way for the rest of us.

Goodie.....we will miss you!

We are now meeting at the Mulberry Police Station / City Hall. Located at the intersection of Hwy 60 & 37. The new time is 7:00PM

The President's Korner

By: Jim Nunnallee

Another Spring Airshow has now come and gone. We all owe Keith Hunt a big thanks for all his efforts and the many hours he put into this event. Things started out bad with rain. Saturday was a complete bust - great for all the farmers and fire fighters but bad news for us. However, Sunday was a big success. The crowd was the biggest I can remember ever seeing at our field. We had traffic backed up on the highway and we almost ran out of parking space. We made a good profit on the parking and food concessions and the help from all the club members with parking and food preparation was great.

Please take note in the printed minutes of the April 1, 1999 meeting a motion was made to modify a section of the current club By - Laws. This change will reduce the minimum required number of members at a monthly meeting to vote on issues concerning the club. You as members should give this change consideration and attend the May meeting to hear and discuss this change. Remember...any By-Law change is important!

Airshow "99" Report
Keith Hunt CD

Airshow "99" turned out to be a really great success in spite of terrible weather conditions.

Friday was windy, overcast, and thin on airplanes but the pilots that were there had fun. The media showed and requested some fly-by's and action for the newspapers. The reporter even flew on the simulator

Saturday was a total washout! Rain threatened early and carried out the threat the remainder of the day. Surprisingly, about fifteen pilots still showed up. Even though the first plane wasn't unloaded because of rain, everyone seemed to

have a good time in the big tent on the simulator.

Sunday the rain was gone, but left some stiff cross winds from the NW. Again, we were pleasantly surprised with a HUGE turnout. Twenty two pilots were registered and some very nice aircraft showed up. Several hundred spectators began to pour in about noon and enjoyed a great airshow!

The airshow pilots who did a masterful job of flight demonstrations even in a tough cross wind. These pilots were, **Harry Price, Tony Greco, Jack Smith, Yasunobu Muraki, Joe Saitto, Bill Mintz, John Burdin and Wally Sunde**y.

The real heroes are the ones who helped behind the scenes, these people are.....**Harry Becker, Doug Burrell, Frank Ciccarello, Ian Clark, Ed Deeson, Steve and Shelia Fowler, Oliver Green, Art and Alice May, George Mello, Dee Miller, William Mintz, Jim Nunnallee, Norm Skinner, Sharon Trembly, Mike Vascellaro and Tim Vehnekamp.**

As in years past, Wally Sunde y did another great job with the special trainer program.

As the CD for Airshow "99", My hat is off to all of you! You guys helped make a potentially disastrous weekend into a complete

success. I applaud you.....the members of IRCC....who unselfishly devoted your time and efforts to help our club!

A very special thanks to **Jim Nunnallee** as one of the sponsors for the show.

Again...thank you all and looking forward to Airshow "2000"!!

Courtesy and common sense makes R/C modeling fun for everyone.

Regular Meeting Minutes
April 1, 1999
(By: Keith Hunt, Secretary)

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm, Keith Hunt, (Secretary) presiding. Pres. Jim Nunnallee not present due to illness, VP William Mintz not present. All other officers present. Attendance – 26 members. Total membership – 77 members.

Guests – None.
New members – Kurt Kauth and Joe Fugett. Welcome!
New Pilots – None.
Instructors Report - None.
Field Maintenance Report – FMO Ed Deeson asks that everyone be careful with any type of fire including cigarettes as the field is extremely dry and the risk of

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fire is great. Ed asks that everyone please take your trash home.

Safety Officers Report -

Dee Miller states he is the new safety officer. No report.

Old Business - There will be an upcoming Executive Board meeting that will decide the disposition of and conclude memorial ideas for Jim Smith. Jim Nunnallee advised, (by memo), the Mall Show went very well. Jim thanks everyone for the help.

New Business – Dee Miller made a motion to modify, ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS, Section 3, of the club By - Laws. The existing wording is - **“A quorum shall be comprised of (25%) of the club membership or (25) club members, including (2) officers, provided all members were notified of the meeting in advance.”**

The change Dee proposes would cause the Section to read **“A quorum shall be comprised of (20%) of total membership.”**

Discussion and vote on this By – Laws change will occur at the next regular meeting . Norm Skinner stated he would like to see more “presentation” type speakers at the meetings to possibly make them more enjoyable and informative.

John Burdin states there

may be “difficulties” with our usual presence and activity at the Sun & Fun this year. See John for details.

It is with regret to announce the passing of Howard “Goodie” Goodman. Goodie passed away Wednesday March 31, 1999.

8 Ball Award - George Rada. Within 60 minutes, George lost a new Telemaster, an A -4 jet and sustained damage to a state-of-the-art scale glider.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

New Members And Renewals

- Donald Butera
- Don Huffman
- Kurt Kauth
- Shannon Smith
- Joseph Wedeman
- Michael Zellers

Protect Yourself from Battery or Switch Failure

By: John Burdin

Recently I have been looking at several methods to help eliminate the possibility of battery failure and or switch failure. Either of these may have caused the demise of one of your models over the years. There are several things besides good maintenance to help prevent this from happening to you.

With regard to maintenance let me mention the most common sense rule to fly by. *If you have a switch or battery pack that has been in a crash, throw them away.* Saving \$10 on a new switch or a \$15 for a new battery pack is not worth losing a model airplane that generally starts at around \$500. ??

Here is a simple way to eliminate battery failure or switch failure. Purchase or attach a second lead on you on-board battery pack. Run both leads through two switches into your receiver. Turn both switches on and if one fails the second will carry the load. What’s the chance of a double switch failure? If you want to expand on this, use two battery packs. Run through two switches into the receiver. Both packs must be the same voltage and output. They must be charged separately and preferably at the same time. If one pack fails the second will take up the load. In both cases the second receiver lead may be plugged into any of the open channel plugs or pigtailed (Y’ed) in. Nothing is 100% fool proof, however these methods will dramatically reduce the chance of failure and losing an

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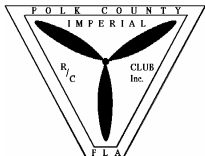
• COMING AREA EVENTS

- **MACDILL AIRFEST** **May 8th & 9th**
- **IRCC / IMAC** **October 9th & 10th**
- **FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL**
- **JET RALLY** **October 22 - 24, 1999**
- **IRCC/IMAA WINTER RALLY** **December 4 - 5, 1999**

• HANGAR SALE

- Charlie Patterson has Club patches for sale \$ 1.00 each . He also has hats. See him at the field or call him at 859-3090.
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