

APRIL 2001

**From our New President
Ian Clark**

On March 12, 2001, I was notified by Bill Mintz that he was stepping down from the presidency of the club due to a large personal load. I wish to thank Bill for all his hard work and long hours he put in for the club. There is an awful lot to do behind the scenes that most of us never see. Bill put a lot of effort into keeping this club a great and fun place to fly. I wish him well and hope to see him out at the field soon.

I have taken over the office and will do my best to keep moving forward. Bill will be a hard act to follow. I will need a lot of support to fill this position and so will be calling on a lot of you for help. A great club is composed of great people and we have that here.

FINAL CONTACT

By: Bill Mintz

I have been a member of this club for approximately thirteen years give or take a year. Of those thirteen years, I have been an officer of this club six and a half years. The past six months have been

unrewarding due to the amount of pressure put on me by personal obligations and unfortunate misunderstandings by a few club members who refuse to listen or are unable to comprehend the King's English. I have found it to be necessary to say, "I have had enough!" Effective immediately, I am no longer President of this club; nor will I serve at any club functions, events, or anything else that this club may want to offer other than recreational flying, and even this amount of involvement is questionable. I have found it unbelievable that a hobby such as ours could be so detrimental to an individual who has donated time, energy, and money and has never asked to be compensated in any manner. The reasons for my departure are so numerous that to list them would require more space than this printing will allow; however, I am happy to enumerate a few examples of why I can no longer remain involved. First, one day I'm a "weak" President - and two days later I'm accused of "ruling the club in a Gestapo-like manner with my S.S. troops." Hard to figure, don't you think? Second, it's

It's AirShow time!!!!

Your help will be needed to make this years event another big success. When you are called please offer your time.

Check out the event Schedule. Page 4.

The IRCC is on line. Page 4.

We have friendly neighbors and we want to keep them that way.

Review the no-fly zones. Page 2.

John Burdin with his RAM powered BVM Bandit, "Best Turbine Sport Jet Performance" Fla. Jets 2001 Page 3.

Special Notice

There will be a special election during the April meeting to fill the vacant position of Vice President. Mike Zellars has accepted the nomination of the nominating committee.

If anyone else wishes to run for this open office, their nomination will be accepted at the April meeting prior to the

OUR NEXT MEETING IS:

April 5th

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Nunnalee will let us know on the definite dates when he knows, he also volunteers to do concessions at spring air show.

Spring Air Show will be held April 21&22. Ian Clark volunteers to do the parking for spring air show.

Warbird Air Show will be held September 15 and 16.

IMAC Meet will be held October 13 and 14. **SWAP Meet** will be held July 21. **Fall IMMA Meet** will be held December 1. Mike Zellars will be CD. This will be a one-day event.

Discussed having a family day June 23. This would be a one-day event for Imperial R/C members and family with a picnic funded by the club.

Bill Mintz emphasis we will need support in all upcoming events for 2001.

Jim Nunnalee discusses the annual raffle. Instead of a normal trainer plane an intermediate type plane, something like an

extra 300 with an os 91 and not include the field equipment that we normally include with the trainer plane. Wally Sunde will have the details for us at an upcoming meeting as well as a rough guess on the cost.

John Burdin brings up the point of needing volunteers to take whatever plane we decide to use for the raffle to the MacDill AirShow to sell tickets for the raffle

Bill Mintz discusses the financial condition of the club and is pleased, and discusses rebuilding the mowing deck within the next year.

Bill Mintz also emphasizes the importance of field safety and the need to follow all safety rules and club rules

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM

Regular Meeting Minutes
 March 1,2001

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM

Attendance – 17 members

Guests and new members – none

Membership is now at 68

Field Maintenance – Because of the continuing dry spell, club members are warned about smoking. Be careful where you put out your cigarettes.

It was mentioned that it would be more economic to the club if we had the mower deck rebuilt instead of purchasing a new one.

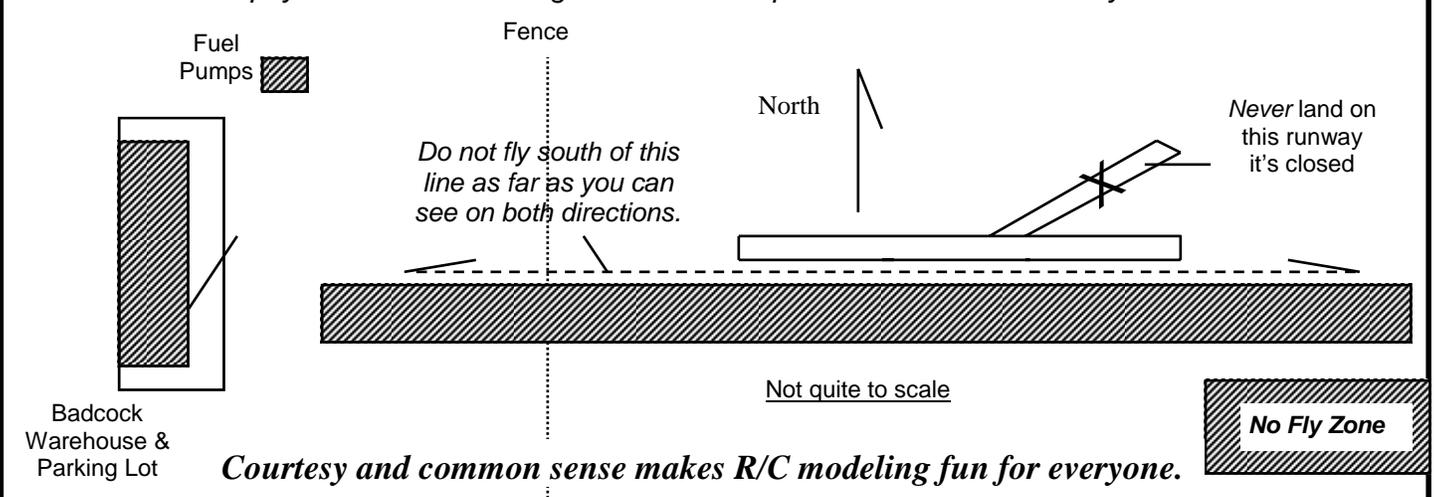
Safety – It was mentioned again to do our best to keep our flying in the confines of our field.

Old Business – The new pilot protection barriers are up. Thanks to Norm Skinner, Al Gaudiosi, and Dee Miller for doing such a great job.

New Business – Norm Skinner and Dee Miller measured the field and the “box” has been defined. Norm has copies of it.

Phil Haag was thanked for being

Please pay attention to this diagram and what's printed below. Please do your best !!!!!



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a great ambassador for the club.

Plane of the Month – None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Mall Show Wrap-Up

By: Jim Nunnallee

The annual Mall Show was a big success. We had every kind of airplane you can imagine on display; from Wally's turbine F-15 to Dennis Peterson's really nice new Sopwith Pup. There was never a shortage of club personnel to help out with the chores and everyone seemed to have a great time.

Thanks to everyone who participated.

Jets over Deland and Florida Jets 2001

By: John Burdin

JOD and FL Jets featured a lot of great action again in 2001. At JOD just over 100 pilots registered and flew during four days of really terrific weather. Turbine powered aircraft dominated the activities this year. There were only a hand full of ducted fan planes and they made their presence known every time they started. One of the really nice things about the turbine power is that it is generally easy on the ears.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!

Michael Tarver	1st
Brian Bode	10th
Mike Vascellaro	15th
George Rada	17th
Dave DeWitt	25th

Florida Jets offered a larger field of pilots. Nearly 200 pilots were registered and most flew. A strong European contingent flew and entertained everyone with their broken English.

At both events many of the newer technologies were present. The most notable were the electric start and full auto-start engines from RAM and the new RAM 500.

The RAM 500 may be the most important development in the model jet world in a long time. This engine will allow many existing ducted fan jets to be re-fitted with a turbine. This engine produces 12 lbs of thrust and is only 6.5 inches long and about 3 inches on diameter. A really nice package.

The safety record at both events were superb this year. Jet pilots are paying close attention to everything they are doing, and the results are very good.

Yours Truly was very fortunate to be awarded; "Best Turbine Sport Jet Performance" at FI Jets. I guess someone likes the way

I fly?!?!?! I must say that my BVM Bandit powered by a RAM 750 plus is a truly great performer. Fast too!! My builder Steve Jaworski's work probably had something to do with this success.

We are looking forward to several more jet events in the next few months.

New IRCC On-Line Discussion Group!

A new IRCC member group discussion / mailing list area has been established on line. This is simply an area where IRCC members can freely and rapidly exchange information between one another regarding events, meetings, flying or building tips, items for sale or items wanted, club issues, or just about anything a member would like to discuss with the other members.

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2001 Coming Area Events

Mac Dill AirFest April 7 & 8

Sun N'Fun April 8 -14

21st IRCC AirShow April 21 & 22

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Top Gun April 26- 29

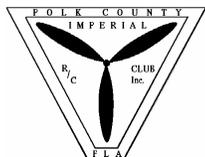
IRCC Summer Swap Meet July 2

IRCC WarBirds Unlimited Sept. 15 & 16

IRCC Florida Aerobatics /IMAC Oct. 15 & 16

Florida International Jet Rally Nov. 2 - 4

IRCC IMAA Winter Rally December 1st



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