

**JUNE 2001**

**President's Corner**  
*Ian Clark*

We have had a couple of good meetings, with many folks contributing new and helpful ideas. I appreciate all of your support and help along the way. One thing I would like to ask the members is that when someone is talking, let him (or her) have the floor. We need to show respect when someone is sharing an idea. If we don't agree, then we will have an opportunity to reply. Lets be the adults that we are, and not snicker when someone has the floor.

I want to welcome Mike Zellars as our new VP. Although I have only had a limited time to work with him, I can see he has lots to contribute to our club!

On Saturday, June 23, we are planning a family flying day. We want to have as many members and their families in attendance as we can. The menu includes hot dogs and hamburgers. I am trying to get an idea as to how many of you plan on attending so I am asking everyone to either e-mail me with your party size at [iclark3@yahoo.com](mailto:iclark3@yahoo.com), or call me at home in the evenings after 7:30 pm. If anyone would like to help with the cooking, please contact me.

See you're at the next

meeting, which is June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**CHOPPER CORNER**

*By: Mike Zellars*

I have had several members show interest in the helicopters since last month and a few questions seem to keep coming up so I thought I would address them this month.

The most common question I have been receiving is people wanting to know how the choppers we are flying are able to maintain in an inverted position. Obviously full-scale are not able to do this, at least without plummeting to ground! On model choppers, we fully control the pitch of blades and we set this pitch range with as much negative as positive. The pitch at bottom stick will be full negative and top stick full positive. We then use the common helicopter programming to set a throttle curve to match these pitches so that as the pitch increases (negative or positive) the throttle increases also so the blades don't loose rotor speed. So if my heli is inverted, my stick on transmitter will be toward the bottom feeding the negative.

One other question I have received is, apparently a few members have simulators at home and wondered if they were somewhat accurate. The answer is YES!!!! I have known a couple fellows learn to hover on a sim and come out to field and within one tank of fuel we're successfully holding heli in a hover. So if you do have a sim, go ahead and give it a try!!!!

*Until next month everyone!!*

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

May 3, 2001

*By – John Banner, Secretary*

Meeting called to order at 7:33 p.m., 22 members attending.

Motion to accept the last meeting minutes and Treasurers report made. Motion passed.

**New Members** – Ted Price  
**Field Maintenance Report** – Nothing to report.

**Safety Report** – Mark Martin suggest giving our aircraft's a good checking over for common maintenance problems before flying.

Instructors/ New Pilots - Ian Clark informs us that the list of instructors has been updated and is up on the board at the field.

**Membership** – Don Wasilewski reports the membership is up to 76 members

Review Past And Future Events – John Burdin takes the floor, John Burdin thanks Frank Ciccarello for concessions, Art and Alice May for handling the raffle, and Ian Clark for parking. John informs us that there were 31 registered pilots. We made 506.00 in parking, 497.50 in concessions, just shy of 700.00 on the raffle plane with a net of 350.00; Total net was between 1220.00 and 1240.00. John thanks everyone who helped out! Ian Clark goes over the Family Fun Day planed for June 23 and lets us know we are in need of some one to take charge of this event!

**Old Business** – Mike Vascellaro takes the floor, Mike hands out a revised policy from last meeting. Mike Vascellaro reemphasizes the

**OUR NEXT MEETING IS:**

**June 7th**

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need for a direct pipeline to the current IRCC president.

Norm Skinner discusses the letter he sent to the membership

Mike Vascellaro states that we have never had a neighbor policy.

Kurt Kauth Feels we need to put something in the by laws putting all responsibility on the current IRCC

president concerning neighbor issues

Dee Miller states we should have never lost contact with our neighbors.

John Burdin takes floor; John reminded everyone that the secretary is

supposed to handle all club correspondence, but that was not very practical.

John reads proposed policy suggestion.....

*(Both suggestions are printed after the minutes for member review.)*

Mike Vascellaro asks a question about a rumor that the club is searching for a new field.

John Burdin indicated that this has been going on for along time. John also tells us that these matters are generally confidential do the nature of the discussions.

Dee Miller informs us that about two years ago the membership asked him to search for a new field.

Policy change again tabled until next meeting.

**New Business** – Dee Miller suggests Ian Clark get in touch with the city of Lakeland and Dee volunteers to help Ian with that.

Kurt Kauth suggests having inner club quickie 500 races

Keith Hunt feels we have been overlooking positive things that have been going on in our club. Keith brings to our attention Scott Smith plane being in AMA Magazine, Model Aviation.

Scott Smith talks about his talon being in Model Aviation and informs us that Mike Zellars has his P 51 Mustang in RC Report.

**Plane of the Month** - none

**8 Ball Award** – none

**50/50** – None

**Meeting Adjourned** – 8:25 p.m.

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 As times change our club must also change to work within the framework of our physical environment we occupy. The prompt and efficient transfer of information to the membership is now more important than ever.

Over the past two meetings we have had a healthy discussion regarding the best way to get this done. There seems to be an overwhelming coconscious that an new policy seems to be the best rout.

Mike V. has done a great job spurring this effort on, and it looks like we are about ready to make a decision on

some language for the new policy.

Please review the two current options and be prepared to discuss at the June meeting.

(1) *Any and all complaints directed at and /or regarding the Imperial Radio Control Club that originates from sources outside The IRCCC must be delivered directly from the complainant to the Current IRCC President. Any complaint Delivered as described above, shall be presented by the president to the general Membership at the next regular club meeting for response considerations.*

(2) *Any written correspondence or verbal communication received by any IRCC member with respect to field operations, complaints, airspace issues and other safety issues will be forwarded immediately to the club president for review. This information must be presented to the membership no later than the next regular club meeting.*

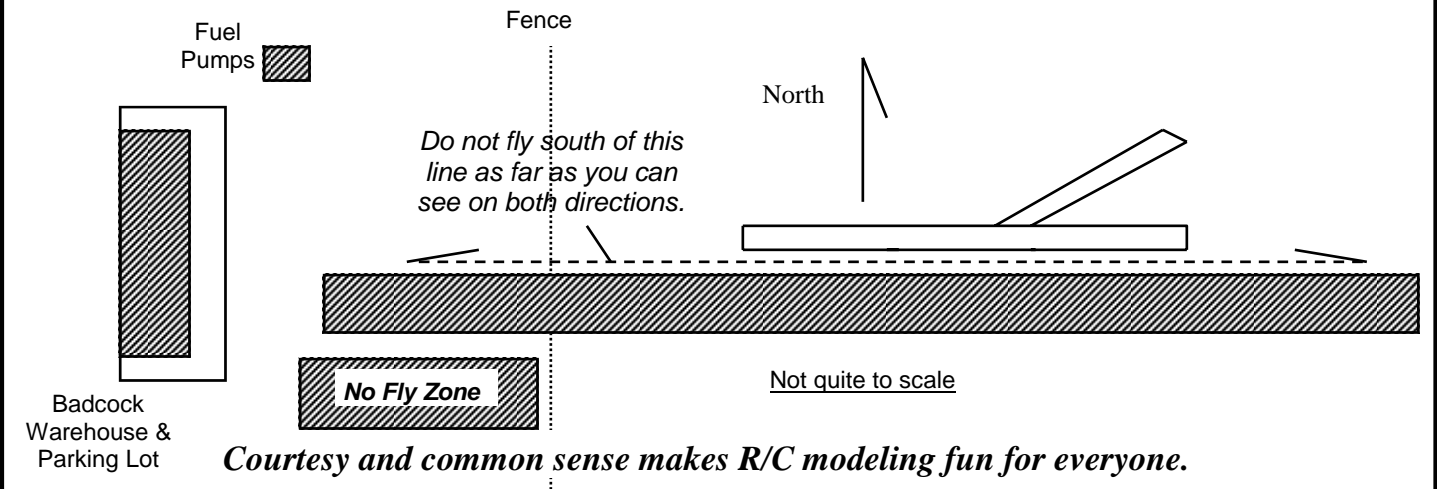
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## Soap Box By John Burdin

At our last meeting we continued to have really dialogue / communication and interaction between members who attended the meeting.

We had additional discussion regarding a new policy under

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



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consideration that will deal with various issues that are communicated to club members regarding airfield operations.

Mike Vascellaro offered a new version of his idea expressed at the previous meeting. This revised version in my opinion contained more effective wording than the original. It did still require that a person other than an IRCC member do something. It was also limited to complaints. I offered an alternate version which deals with all communication issues. And, in my opinion covers the concerns that Mike and many other members have regarding communication of information through the club president to the membership. Both are listed for your review.

We are really starting to get things moving again in the club. We have multiple nominees for offices and genuine interest in our future. Lets keep it that way, and lets all participate.

**COME TO THE MONTHLY MEETINGS**

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**IMAC / Sun'N Fun**

*By: Keith Hunt*

We just finished our first IMAC promo at the 2001 Sun-n-Fun Fly In in Lakeland Florida. I will admit that it was a grueling week, but I thoroughly enjoyed every minute! We began setting up on Friday 4/6, and this is when the airplanes began streaming in. As might be expected, just about every type aircraft was represented. Our booth was located in the Aerobatic Center tent that we shared with IAC, USAF and Patty Wagstaff. The tent was located on the flight line right at "Airshow Center" which meant we could see the airshow from the booth.

Some of the highlights included the Stealth Fighter fly-by on Sunday, and a jet powered Waco! Yes, Jimmy Franklin performed with Waco that had a jet engine, in addition to the standard Waco engine, I hear he had to be multi-engine certified<G>. Phil Knight hung out

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!**

Mike Zellars	2nd
Alice May	3rd
Norm Skinner	8th
David Messick	9th
Rich Kachadurian	11th

all week and put in some world class flights with his Extra 300s along with Matt Chapman, Michael Goulian, Tom Wade, Patty Wagstaff and many other IAC competition pilots. The flying was of course great, but hanging out with the IAC pilots and judges was the highlight for me. It was really interesting to hear their perspectives on aerobatic flying and judging, (we'll save this subject for a later day<G>)

We had a great time at the booth. Several of the airshow aerobatic pilots tried their hand on the RealFlight Sim we had going. Tom Wade, (an Edge 540 pilot and an Unlimited IAC competitor), refused to let the sim get the best of him and spent time every day pushing the kids aside to practice.... LOL. Patty Wagstaff took her turn on the RC sim but gave up quickly.

Fred and Baron Johnson was around all week flying their North American AT-6 early in the week and Freds' Eagle on Friday and Saturday. Most of us know Fred is also an IMAC pilot and TOC judge and Baron is starting to kick some butt in IMAC Sportsman!

Quick story.....Fred was in the middle of his sequence during the airshow Friday, (The 13th!!) in his Christen Eagle when he noticed a sudden un-explained engine vibration. He began attempts to trouble shoot this problem while continuing his routine. Just as he was setting up for a torque maneuver, he was notified that his allotted time had expired so Fred

aborted the maneuver and landed. A ground inspection found a serious fracture in the hub area of the prop!!!!

We're glad Fred is ok!!!

We had several nice IMAC aircraft on display which drew heavy attention and questions from everyone. On Thursday, we strapped a 30% Cap 232, (a retired static model), to the roof of a golf cart and participated in the annual Volunteer Parade that took an approximately 30 minute route all through the airshow grounds. This DID attract some attention!

Friday night.....the party began!! I never before realized how much "action" goes on after the "official" airshow ends for the day at Sun n Fun! Every flying group, Ultralights, Warbirds, home builds etc, put on their own "party" all through the week and the aerobatic guys were no different. Elgin Wells, (an airshow Decathlon driver), provided solo guitar music while the IAC group made sure there would be no shortage of food and "drink"!!!! Brian McCue gave up about 7pm, I finally left at 11pm.....I think!

Bottom line.... This first official IMAC appearance at Sun n Fun went over simply great!! Rob Dorsey, IAC President was extremely pleased to have us, (IMAC), with them and discussed some future IAC/IMAC possibilities.....???? Steve Cunningham, (USAF President), echoed Mr Dorsey. John Burton, Executive Director of Sun n Fun, also commented that he was very pleased with our display.

I would like to Thank, Dave Arndt and Ben Perreau for the administrative support, John Schroder for taking time from his job to present the Friday IMAC Forum, and Joe Wedeman, Mike Vascellaro, Fred Schmidt, Brian McCue, (2 days!!), and Charles Yuster for helping at the booth!!!!!! Also a big thanks to Rick Meland and Jim Mahoney of the Propbusters club for providing display aircraft.

We drew a lot of attention to IMAC and RC flying in general! I saw many kids eyes light up when they saw the



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Email: RCPILOTFWC42@aol.com

IRCC WarBirds Unlimited Sept. 15 & 16

IRCC Florida Aerobatics /IMAC Oct. 13 & 14

Florida International Jet Rally Nov. 2 - 4  
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