

OCTOBER 2001

A Plane View from your President

By: Mike Zellars

Hi All! Well I have one official month as president under my belt and must say I am pleased. In recent weeks, I have witnessed much more flying activity at the field and it seems most members have a common theme while at the field: to have some safe fun!! That is what it is all about. Thanks to all ...

We have some upcoming events in the coming months and I would like to remind everyone how important it is for all members to do what they can to support the events. Events like these coming up serve multiple purposes. One, they provide flying activity to members and guests which in no uncertain terms equals FUN. Secondly, they introduce the public to our club and what we stand for. It is always important for the public to know we are a responsible club, which provides safe fun entertainment to anyone wishing to join us for FUN. Thirdly, they are a key element to the clubs financial status. Events typically bring in money to our bank account, which never can hurt and can only help our future. So please everyone do what he or she can for these events.

In other news, we now have a

field maintenance officer and a chief flight instructor. When I took over as president, it was my belief that these positions were crucial to any clubs success so I started searching and two gentlemen came forward. Dee Miller understands what the club

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needs as far as field maintenance goes and his first task he is taking on is the impound shed. I believe the whole club is in agreement that the shed needs a little beautifying (a lot?) and Dee is currently working up a plan of attack so keep in mind he cant do it alone when the time comes so again do what you can.

Scott Smith has been a very active instructor for a while now and everyone can tell, he is GREAT at it. He also sees a need to get the student pilot program constructed in a way

OUR NEXT MEETING IS: October 4th



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that every student is competent in flying before he is given his wings. This not only creates a safer flying field but also simply is to the students benefit. No one likes to see a student loose a plane needlessly where a little more instruction could have saved the plane. Scott can't do all instructing however so anyone willing to help out as an instructor, PLEASE contact Scott.

Lastly for this month, I want to remind all that next months meeting we will have nominations for next years officers (official voting is November meeting). So please come to the meeting and participate. Participation at meetings is a key ingredient to a

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clubs success. See you there and again thanks!

The 8th Annual Florida International Jet Rally at the Lake Wales Airport is November 2 –4.

Each year this event draws some of the finest R/C model jets and their drivers from the southeast and beyond. This year should be no exception.

Each year IRCC members have pitched in to help make this a very successful event. Steve and I look forward to that support again this year.

Please give Steve Jaworski a call (813-752-2420) to offer your assistance again this year.

Regular Meeting Minutes September 6, 2001

By – John Banner, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 7:31 pm 17 members attending.

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

New Members – Ray Williamson, Kenny Rolwan

Field Maintenance Report – Dee Miller takes over field maintenance. Dee informs us he plans on doing some research to update the shelter.

Safety Report – Mark Martin reminds us to be careful of quick

moving thunderstorms and lighting

Instructors/ New Pilots - None Membership – Don Wasilewski lets know that the membership is at 80

Review Past and Future Events – Warbird meet September 15 and 16. Keith Hunt asks if anyone can help please just show up. IMAC meet October 15 and 16 Keith hunt needs help for impound and concessions. Keith Hunt informs us that Aero RC Hobbies sponsored the trophies for the IMAC event. Helicopter meet November 10 and 11 Mike Zellars lets us know there are 5 pilots that are ranked in the top ten in heli's attending our event.

Old Business – none New Business – Mike Zellars talks about last months board meeting. Mike lets us know that the club purchased a web domain name for 63.00. IRCC owns the domain name ImperialRCClub.com for two years.

Keith Hunt feels we already had a web site we did not have to spend money for new one. It was pointed out that the current site is not an official club site and is not owned or controlled by the club.

Wray Williamson takes the floor Wray discuses the World Miniature Warbird Association. Wray lets us know if you fly a warbird from WW1 to Desert Storm, and it fly's on its own power you can become a member of WMWA. Wray also informs us that our

Wray also informs us that our warbird meet interferes with the

sparks warbird meet.

Wray lets us know that there is a annual meeting for all club presidents where they schedule annual events so no club steps on the toes of another club, Wray also states that a IRCC president has never attended this meeting.

Wray lets us know that it takes 40 people to run Top Gun and feels we need help, and WMWA is willing to give us that help! John Burdin reminds us that Frank Tiano is coming to town to talk to the city of Lakeland and will discuses some issues with him. John informs us that Frank is very happy to be out of the polo club.

John remind us of all the help we can get from our membership, also we will not be running the whole operation only the flight line, and for this we will need between 14 and 18 people each day.

Mike Zellars inform us that at the board meeting it was decided not to have an election for a new VP so close to the annual elections.

Keith hunt feels that the 100.00 that the president can spend without club approval should be for emergencies only! And, in the future any funds spent should be brought before the membership.

Plane of the Month – Once again Scott Smith shows up with a beautiful plane. This month Scott has a Lanier dominator 500 that is powered by a MVVS engine with tuned pipe. Scott lets us know that this plane is VERY fast! Another great job Scott!

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50/50 - None

Meeting Adjourned – 8:15 p.m.

Focused on the Future

By John Burdin

As I write this, it is safe to say that our R/C hobby really seems insignificant, with regard to everything else going on. It is important that we stay focused on the global situation as well as what we are doing locally. Nothing will undo what happened on September 9th, but we must move forward.

The IRCC recently undertook a rather substantial project. A project that will require every members participation. And, if every member does participate the project will be a huge success with both short and long term benefits for our model club.

If there is anyone out there who doesn't believe that TOP GUN is a big deal then wake up!!! As big a deal as TG is, it's even a bigger opportunity for our Club. The immediate tangible benefits will be counted by increased membership, revenue and increased member excitement and activity. The long term intangible benefits will be felt over time. Increased public awareness, strengthened relationships with local, county and even state officials can't really be measured. They will become very valuable as our club dynamics continue to

October BIRTHDAYS

John Banner	3rd
Charles Dortch	4th
Alicia Medici	6th
William Mintz	7th
Hubert Asbury	20th
Frank Allegato	31st
Al Gaudiosi	31st

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!

change.

It's exciting, it will be fun and every member will benefit.
What a great opportunity!!!!!!

<u>Come to the</u> <u>monthly meetings.</u>

Chopper Corner

By: Mike Zellars

I decided to use this months chopper corner to discuss the Imperial Heli Fun Fly. It is now less then two months away and I am getting excited.

We now have FIVE world-class heli names coming with the

"A little effort by every IRCC member will go a long way in making our club the standard by which all others are measured"

latest being Jason Krause who will be coming from Arizona. These guys really know how to drop some jaws in amazement when they fly their birds and watching them is nothing short of a thrill whether you own a heli or not. But what is even neater about these names being at our fun fly is I personally know that each of them LOVE to help people with any heli problems, setups or simply questions. It makes no difference what skill level a flyer is at, they love to help out. That is pretty neat.

We also have several vendors that are planning to attend. It is always neat to see what it is the latest and greatest in heli stuff. It also makes for a great time to ask your questions about certain helis. I also now have verification that for at least one of the days, we will have a full-scale heli on display at the field. This should be neat for adults and kids alike as I am told the heli is gorgeous.

Other then that, we will be having "for fun" contest for ALL skill levels, a raffle, many prizes to give away and really just a WHOLE lot of fun to be had. So whether you own a heli or not, please give some thought to coming out for some fun. Also let your neighbors, friends etc know about it. It should be a thrill for all. See you soon!

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IRCC IMAA Winter Rally Dec. 1st & 2nd

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