

Tail Spin

By: David DeWitt, President

Our final event for this year is the IMAA Winter Fly In on December 2-3, 2007. It looks like we should have some great weather for the event and I expect to have a good number of pilots in attendance. I hope any of our club members that have a mono plane with at least an 80" wingspan or biplane with at least a 60" wingspan can come out and join us at the event. Anyone that wants to volunteer to help work at the event will still have plenty of time to fly their planes; it's just a laid back fun fly.

I want to thank all the club members for their support for the last three years while I served as president of the Imperial R/C Club. Our new club officers will take over in January and I know they are going to do a great job and the club will continue to grow.

See you at the flying field!!

New Members

Proposed at the October and November Meetings

Mike Asherft
Gerardo Hernandez
Bob Johnstone
Art Magarino
Roger Pilkenton
Chris Trumble

IRCC Winter IMAA Rally

Our clubs IMAA Winter Fly In is next weekend December 2-3, 2007. Registration starts at 8:00 am and flying starts at 9:00. The fun fly event is for anyone with a mono plane with at least an 80" wingspan or a biplane with at least a 60" wingspan.

This event is low manpower but I could still use some help with food concessions and transmitter impound. Give me a call if you can help.

The "Imperial Slider" will be available for breakfast.

We are also having a club flea market/swap meet at this event. Feel free to bring out a table and sell your excess model items, or look for a good deal on something to buy.

To all Members, Officers and Directors of IRCC, from Larry Loucks, President Elect.

Thank you for your confidence in selecting me as your next President. As my first unofficial Presidential act I would like to extend a very special Thank You and Commendation to David DeWitt, he has provided exceptional dedication, service and leadership to the club throughout his terms as President, we all appreciate the outstanding job he has done. I have a hard act to follow.

The voluntary commitment, dedication and enthusiasm of all our current and incoming officers and directors should be recognized and applauded as well. It is this attitude within the club members that first attracted me to IRCC, and has been demonstrated time and again, it makes me proud to say I am a member of IRCC.

I am looking forward to serving the next year as your President. I will continue the service, and directions that David established with a focus on safety, membership and enjoyment of this hobby. If any of you would like to volunteer, we have several open officer and chairman positions that need to be filled, please contact me.

Our next event is the "IMAA Winter Fly In" this weekend, please come out to enjoy the fun and festivities, stop by and visit with me, I will be cooking. If you are there early you can try the "Imperial Slider" for breakfast or a great Hamburger Platter for lunch.

Have a safe and happy holiday,

**We need a new
Safety Officer and Membership Chairman**

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2007 Helicopter Spectacular November 9-12, 2007

By: Dave DeWitt

The 2007 Helicopter Spectacular was a great success. The weather was perfect for the pilots and spectators and everyone had a good time. We had 73 registered pilots for the weekend event. Thanks to several vendors and manufacturers we had a large number of nice prizes for the pilot's raffle. Larry Loucks and Dean Bishop's food concession was a big hit and with the help of Wally Sundry and Kurt Kauth it ran smoothly and made a nice profit. The "Imperial Slider" was very popular on the breakfast menu and is sure to become a regular at future events. Allen Sale ran the pilots registration; Gary Snyder and Arnold Schmidt watched over the transmitter impound area. Mike Zellars, Doug Bruns, Rick Ruede and George Nauck kept the flight line running safely. Thanks to all the IRCC club members that helped to make the event successful. I heard nothing but good comments from the pilots about the event and many are already looking forward to next year's Helicopter Spectacular.

Weather Website

Try the following weather website to get a 3 day forecast on temperature, wind speed, and wind direction. The forecast is shown in 2 hour increments.

www.usairnet.com

Select "Florida" and then select "Lakeland airport". While this site is designed for the full scale flyer, it's also useful for the modeler to decide whether to make the drive to the field and risk that new flying machine.

Try it. . . I think you'll like it.

Gary Snyder, IRCC

Minutes from the November 8, 2007 Club Meeting *Allen Sale, Secretary*

Minutes recorded by David DeWitt

President David DeWitt called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

19 members present

There were no minutes from the October meeting

Treasurer Report: Rick Ruede gave treasurers report which is on file.

Guest: Darrell Sprayberry and Don LaPointe

Field & Maintenance: by Ian Clark & Bunk Sherrouse , field looks good for helicopter event this weekend.

Safety report by Rick Ruede. We need to replenish a few items in First Aid Kit

Newsletter & Website report by John Burdin

Past Events:

Rick Ruede gave a report on the October pylon race. 26 pilots registered on Saturday and 17 on Sunday. Good turn out by IRCC members to help run the race. Thanks to all that helped.

Future Events:

Helicopter Spectacular on November 9-11/2007. All manpower in place and weather forecast looks good.

IMAA giant scale event scheduled for December 2-3/2007. Hope all members with giant scale planes will participate.

Pylon race scheduled for March 21-23/2008 with class 424, 428 and Formula One 422.

Old Business:

Club Election of 2008 officers, results as follows:

President- Larry Loucks
Vice President- Allen Sale
Treasurer- Rick Ruede
Secretary- George Nauck

Board member- David DeWitt

New business:

No new business at this time

The IRCC monthly club meeting will be held at FTE near the Lakeland Airport. The next meeting will be on Thursday December 6th and starts promptly at 7:30pm. Remember to bring a chair - if you want to have a seat.

Sportsmanship Award went to Larry Loucks for agreeing to run for president

Plane of the month:

Rick Ruede displayed his new Augusta scale helicopter and discussed building and painting procedures. Looks great!

50/50 drawing won by George Nauck

Motion to close meeting at 8:36 pm

Safety First

I am sending this message to the list for two reasons.

First to remind you of the dangers of our hobby and secondly to ask for your prayers for a fellow flyer.

I received this from a friend this morning.

Hey David,

How are you & the family. sorry I haven't contacted you before or seen you at some fly-in. But on a different note I feel that I must report to you as being a district VP we had a severe accident at the field today Steve McFadden started his 30% EF yak with the wing stops in walked around to the back of the aircraft and proceeded to pull the stops out (like he and myself have done hundreds of times) instead of pulling the plane backwards, He got the right one out and started to reach across the plane to get the left one and tripped falling through the mid section of the airplane as Steve looked up the remainder of the plane pivoted on the left wing stop and hit him in the face severing his nose from his face. He was air lifted to Pitt around 5 pm and as of 9 pm he is in surgery. when I found out more I will report it to you.

Talk to you later

And this follow up a little later.

Hi David as of 10:30 last night Steve was out of surgery they fixed a tear in his cheek & fixed what was left of his nose and a tear in his sinus cavity. Steve will either have a prosthetics nose or some kind of reconstructive later on.

Imperial R/C Club

Presents

“IMAA Winter District Rally”

Chapter 197

December 1st & 2nd, 2007

Newell Terry Field

2 Miles East of Mulberry, Florida on Hwy 60

All we do is FLY !!!!

Sanctioned By: The Academy of Model Aeronautics

IMAA & AMA Membership Required For All Pilots

IMAA Legal Planes Only—80" For Mono & 60" For Biplanes

(Sorry, No Turbine Powered Aircraft Permitted)

Pilot Registration Starts at 8 AM

Flying Starts at 9 AM Until 4 PM

Landing Fee For The Weekend is Only \$10.00

600' Paved Runway

RV Camping Available (no hookups)

Hot Food & Beverage

Contact Contest Director—*David DeWitt* 863-838-4459

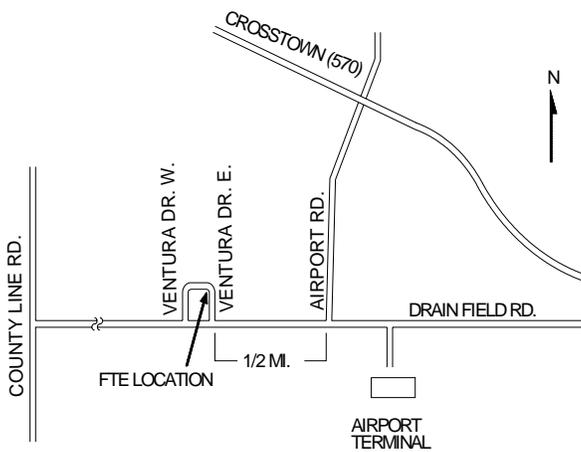
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Fall Pylon Race Wrap-Up

From: Rick Ruede

First of all I would like to thank all the course workers who gave up their weekend and flying time to come out and support our club!! Without volunteers to work these pylon events and several other events throughout the year, our dues would be double what we pay now. **AGAIN, THANK YOU GUYS VERY MUCH!!**

Well we had another great turnout for the Mulberry 500 this year with 22 pilots on Saturday and 17 pilots on Sunday. The numbers were down a bit on Sunday due to some lost aircraft from Saturdays event. “Rubbin is Racen”!! On Saturday our own Allen Sale took First Place and Scott Smith tied for Second but lost in the fly off but still took Third Place and also posted the Fastest Time of



Please **DO NOT PARK ON THE GRASS** at FTE or his neighbors.

1:43.23. On Sunday, Allen did not fair as well with a very close race where he was in the lead at turn 3 but about 0.1 seconds and SMACKED the ground. The only thing that crossed the finish line was a piece a balsa... Scott ended up taking Second Place that day.

Mulberry is fast becoming the favorite site for racing among the SEMPRA pilots. They love the field and the hard work that is done by the club and the coarse workers. I heard nothings but praise and gratitude from all of the participants over and over again all weekend!! You guys are the BEST!!!!!!

Coming Area Events

IRCC IMAA Winter Rally

Mulberry, Florida
December 1 – 2
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2008

Florida Jets

March 6 – 9
Lakeland Airport
www.franktiano.com

Spring Pylon Race

March 21 – 23
Newell Terry Field
Mulberry Florida
www.imperialrclub.com

Top Gun

April 23 – 27
Lakeland Airport
www.franktiano.com

Darrell Sprayberry and his Cobra
Picture by: Gary Snyder

