

CARTWHEELS

BY: LARRY LOUCKS, PRESIDENT

This will be our first newsletter for 2008 and I hope everyone had a safe and happy holidays.

Our last event for 2007 was the IMAA Fun Fly on December 1-2, the weather was perfect and everyone had a good time. We had 18 registered Pilots, 14 of those club members. We had about 15 vendors for the swap meet that drew quite a few shoppers and spectators, which in turn helped our concession sales.

This is a very nice, relaxing event and a good way to close out a busy year. The event is sponsored by our IMAA Chapter #197 "Do Little Squadron" with Contest Director David DeWitt and IMAA event Safety Officer Rick Ruede handling the organizational and safety details.

Special Thanks for the support to all of our volunteers, Gary Snyder at impound, at concessions and clean-up was Dean Bishop, Shelby Cox, Davis Kreits, Earl Studstill, Kurt Kauth and myself.

The swap meet was a nice added attraction to the event and there has been some talk of having another Family Day / Swap Meet for club members early in this year before the Florida Jets and Top Gun events. If this sounds good, please send me some emails and suggestions for this or any other events or fun things that may interest you, I would really like your input.

As this New Year kicks off and as your new President, I would like to invite all our members to make a point of attending more meetings on a regular basis. We generally have enough members attend to make a quorum but as with most activities more would be better. We have a good time at the meetings, some lively (and not so lively) discussions, some interesting demonstrations of helicopters or airplanes, a 50/50 raffle and the plane of the month, so bring a chair, your latest project, contribute and participate in YOUR CLUB.

See you at the meetings!!

New Members

Proposed at the December Meeting

None

The Imperial R/C Club is looking for a new Safety Officer and Membership Chairman. These positions are not difficult; however they are important positions that have been neglected over the past several years.

TOTALLY USELESS FACTS

From our friends at RCU

The "pound" key on your keyboard (#) is called an octotroph. The only domestic animal not mentioned in the Bible is the cat. The "dot" over the letter "i" is called a tittle. Table tennis balls have been known to travel off the paddle at speeds up to 160 km/hr. Pepsi originally contained pepsin, thus the name. The original story from "Tales of 1001 Arabian Nights" begins, "Aladdin was a little Chinese boy." Nutmeg is extremely poisonous if injected intravenously. Honey is the only natural food that is made without destroying any kind of life. What about milk you say? A cow has to eat grass to produce milk and grass is living. The most common name in the world is Mohammed. Michael Jordan makes more money from NIKE annually than all of the Nike factory workers in Malaysia combined. The volume of the earth's moon is the same as the volume of the Pacific Ocean. Cephalacaudal recapitulation is the reason our extremities develop faster than the rest of us. Spiral staircases in medieval castles are running clockwise. This is because all knights used to be right-handed. When the intruding army would climb the stairs they would not be able to use their right hand which was holding the sword because of the difficulties of climbing the stairs. Left-handed knights would have had no troubles, except left-handed people could never become knights because it was assumed that they were descendants of the devil. Ham radio operators got the term

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"ham" coined from the expression "ham fisted operators," a term used to describe early radio users who sent Morse code (i.e., pounded their fist). The slogan on New Hampshire license plates is "Live Free or Die." These license plates are manufactured by prisoners in the state prison in Concord. Chinese Crested dogs can get acne. Hydrogen gas is the least dense substance in the world, at 0.08988g/cc. Hydrogen solid is the most dense substance in the world, at 70.6g/cc. Each year there is one ton of cement poured for each man woman and child in the world. The house fly hums in the middle octave key of F. The only capital letter in the Roman alphabet with exactly one end point is P. The giant red star Betelgeuse has a diameter larger than that of the Earth's orbit around the sun. The longest place name still in use is: Taumatawhakatangihangaoauauota meteuripukakapikimaungahoronu kupokai- whenua kitanatahu--a New Zealand hill. Los Angeles's full name is: "El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora la Reina de los Angeles de Porciuncula" and can be abbreviated to 3.63% of its size, "LA." Only 1 in 2,000,000,000 will live to be 116 or older ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain. Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur. According to Einstein's Special Theory of Relativity, it is possible to go slower than light and faster than light, but it is impossible to go the speed of light. Also, there is a particle called tackyon which is supposed to go faster than light. This means if you fire a tackyon beam, it travels before you fire it. When you tie a noose, the rope is wrapped twelve times around because it's the same length as a persons head. Hummingbirds are the only animal that can fly backwards. A cat's jaw cannot move sideways.

Happy New Year!!!

IRCC Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2007

*Minutes recorded by David DeWitt
for Allen Sale, Secretary*

The IRCC held its regular club meeting December 6, 2007 at FTE

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

17 members present

Membership voted to approve the minutes from the November meeting

Treasurer Rick Ruede gave **treasurers report** which is on file.

No guest were present at the meeting

Field & Maintenance by Ian Clark & Bunk Sherrouse – No issues to report

Safety report by Rick Ruede. No issues to report

Newsletter & Website report by John Burdin

Past Events:

David DeWitt gave report on December 1-2, 2007 IMAA event. 18 registered pilots.

Future Events:

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

Old Business:

No old business to discuss

New business:

No new business at this time

Sportsmanship Award went to Phil

The IRCC monthly club meeting will be held at FTE near the Lakeland Airport. The next meeting will be on Thursday January 3rd and starts promptly at 7:30pm. Remember to bring a chair - if you want to have a seat.

Haag

Plane of the month:

No plane of the month

50/50 drawing won by Earl Studstill

Motion to close meeting at 8:15 pm

Here are some actual logged maintenance complaints by QANTAS pilots and the corrective action recorded by mechanics. By the way, QANTAS is the only major airline that has never had an accident.

P Stands for the problem the pilots entered in the log. **S** Stands for the corrective action taken by the service mechanics.

P: Left inside main tire almost needs replacement.

S: Almost replaced left inside main tire.

P: Test flight OK, except auto land very rough.

S: Auto land not installed on this aircraft.

P: Something loose in cockpit.

S: Something tightened in cockpit.

P: Dead bugs on windshield.

S: Live bugs on backorder.

P: Autopilot in altitude-hold mode produces a 200-fpm descent.

S: Cannot reproduce problem on ground.

P: Evidence of leak on right main landing gear.

S: Evidence removed.

P: DME volume unbelievably loud.

S: DME volume set to more believable level.

P: Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.

S: That's what they're there for!

P: IFF inoperative.

S: IFF always inoperative in OFF mode.

P: Suspected crack in windshield.

S: Suspect you're right.

P: Number 3 engine missing. (Note: this was for a piston-engined airplane; the pilot meant the engine was not running smoothly)

S: Engine found on right wing after brief search.

P: Aircraft handles funny.

S: Aircraft warned to straighten up, fly right, and be serious.

P: Radar hums.

S: Reprogrammed radar with words.

P: Mouse in cockpit.

S: Cat installed.

**Our next club meeting is
Thursday January 3rd at FTE.
Plan now to attend.**

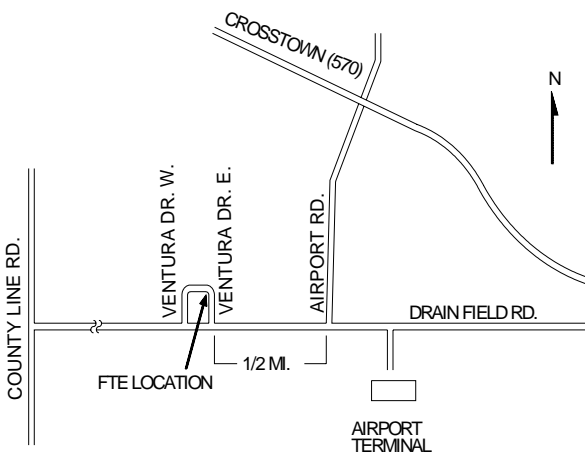
Check this out for a new year's resolution!

A husband and wife went for some counseling after 15 years of marriage.

When asked what the problem was, the wife went into a passionate, painful tirade listing every problem they had ever had in the 15 years they had been married.

She went on and on and on: neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved and unlovable, an entire laundry list of un-met needs she had endured over the course of their marriage.

Finally, after allowing this to go on for a sufficient length of time, the therapist got up, walked around the desk and, after asking the wife to stand, embraced and kissed her passionately.



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

The woman shut up and quietly sat down as though in a daze.

The therapist turned to the husband and said, 'This is what your wife needs at least times a week. Can you do this?'

The husband thought for a moment and replied, 'Well, I can drop her off here on Mondays and Wednesdays, but on Fridays, I fly model airplanes.'

Coming Area Events

Florida Jets

March 6 – 9
Lakeland Airport
www.franktiano.com

Spring Pylon Race

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

Top Gun

April 23 – 27
Lakeland Airport
www.franktiano.com

Two of Jim Urick's birds at the recent IMAA event. Yes, there were two pilots!!!

