

CARTWHEELS

BY: LARRY LOUCKS, PRESIDENT

A very special **THANK YOU** To all of our volunteers who supported the Club by working at the Top Gun event.

Most of you do not realize how extraordinary you are, or how exceptional this club really is.

We had over 55% of our Club Members **VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATE** in this one event.

That is virtually unheard of, a totally incredible percentage. I had asked for 40 volunteers and 47 of you stepped up to the plate and hit a home run.

Many of you know that I fly at different pattern contests at various AMA Clubs around the southeast. These contests are very similar in nature to our pylon races we have twice a year, except that most of the judging and contest administration is done by the contest participants, so that only a few volunteers from the host club are needed to assist.

Most of these clubs have over 100 members and find it difficult get 4-6 volunteers to help set up the field, serve a lunch, clean up and put the field back in order. Several of these clubs have a mandatory requirement of members to participate in supporting club events.

At Top Gun when I was on the Flight line, or talking to the pilots or judges and walking around the vendor tents, I was approached several times and engaged in a couple of conversations about our volunteers and received numerous compliments about all of the "Yellow Shirts" we had out there.

I tried to personally go around and thank all of our members who volunteered, but was unable to get with all of you, so as recognition of your efforts I am going to publish all of your names so that everyone inside or outside the Club will know who you are and how very special we are as a Club.

You folks make me so proud just to be a member of this Club, even more so to be President,

BE SAFE, SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!

New Members

Proposed at the May Meeting

.NONE

**Our next club meeting is:
Thursday June 4th at FTE.
Plan to attend and see what's new.**

USA World Pylon Team at IRCC

From the Fast Lane

Scott Smith

Hello guys, this is just a quick note to let you know what is coming up in the next few months in the racing world! Our club will be hosting a Pylon practice day and workshop on Saturday, June 13 for all racing classes. We will set up the course and offer help to all the people who have thought about racing, as well as testing for the USA Pylon Race Team. These are the guys who will represent the USA in Germany for the 2009 World cup. The Pylon World Cup is a bi-yearly event for FAI that each country enters and competes for an overall world championship. The last one was in 2007 and was held in the USA for the first time in about 20 years! The overall World Champion was Randy Bridge and second place was his caller, Travis Flynn. Not too bad for the USA!! This year the event will be held in Quedlinburg, Germany on July 17th thru July 26th. Our club will be sponsoring them with a practice day, and all proceeds raised will be donated to the team to help them pay for some of their travel expenses. This is a wonderful way to help these guys representing the USA to get ready and continue to show the world that the USA in into model aviation and can compete at the top levels of competition. Here are a few links that will give you a taste of what it is all about.

<http://www.modelaircraft.org/gallery/video.aspx?items=F3D> – Video of the 2007 World Cup.

<http://www.f3dusa.com/> - The USA Pylon World Cup Team Website

<http://www.f3d-mps.de/WM2009/winnerswc2007.html> - FAI Germany World Cup Page

We will also host our 6th annual winter race, the **Mulberry 500** on Saturday and Sunday, October 10th and 11th, with open practice and testing on Friday. We will be

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asking for volunteers for this event soon, so please let us know your availability for this event as soon as you can. Events like these really help keep the membership costs low, and can be quite exciting to boot! As always, if you would like to know more or to try pylon racing, let me know and I will get you ready to race! It's always good to travel out of town and bring home the wood for the IRCC!

IRCC Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2009

Minutes recorded by:

George Nauck, Secretary

Pres. Larry Loucks called to order at 7:28 PM at FTE. He also took the minutes for this meeting. There was a Quorum Present.

Minutes from April meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report was not presented.

Membership Report not presented.

Field Maintenance – There appears to be some Hogs rooting near the runway again that needs to be repaired.

Safety – No big issues reported. There was a discussion about disposal of damaged LIPO batteries. That immersing them in a salt water bath is the recommended procedure to fully discharge and make them safe. However it was pointed out that when you put a battery in there, please take it out and place it in the dumpster for proper disposal.

Past Events – Top gun was a rousing success, we had an excellent response from club members volunteering to support the event and generated some revenue for the club. President Larry Loucks Thanks and commends all of our volunteers for their Participation, the donation of your time greatly benefited the club.

A motion was put forward and approved by the members for the club to provide all the volunteers with a Top Gun "T" shirt to be worn at the field or meetings as sign of your commitment to supporting the club.

Future Events – A motion was submitted and approved by the members to support a request from the World F3D Pylon Racing Team to allow them to use our field for a practice day on June 13, 2009. The Field will be closed on that day.

The club additionally decided to support the Team by accepting donations from spectators and a donation for other Pylon Flyers to participate in the days activities. Further information will be forthcoming in an email and article in the next newsletter.

Sportsmanship Award – Awarded to David DeWitt for his tireless support for the club in providing his leadership, coordination and guidance to make the Top Gun Event an outstanding success for the club. Unanimously approved.

Meeting Adjourned.

From our President:
Larry Loucks

IRCC received a request for support from the 2009 World Pylon Racing Team, TEAM USA F3D.

Many of you who have helped the club put on our Annual Pylon Races are familiar with several of the World Team Members, Randy Bridge (current world champion) and Gary Freeman Jr. who have participated in every pylon event we have sponsored.

This request was put forth at our monthly meeting last week, and our club members generously voted to approve supporting TEAM USA F3D by allowing them to use our field for an all day practice session on Saturday, June 13, 2009. The Team and our club has invited anyone who fly's or would like to fly pylon racers to attend as there will be advice, help, practice and assistance provided to racers.

The field will be open only to those flying pylon racers for the day, closed to all other flying.

Our members also voted to charge a nominal donation to attendees and spectators who attend the session and donate those proceeds to TEAM USA F3D to defray costs for travel to Germany to compete in the World Contest.

Please plan to attend the practice session to support IRCC and the Team. The type of airplane that is flown in the

The IRCC monthly club meeting will be held at FTE near the Lakeland Airport. The next meeting will be on Thursday June 4th and starts promptly at 7:30pm. Remember to bring a chair - if you want to have a seat.

world contest fly at about 200 MPH plus the regular 424 / 428 planes will be flying as well, I guarantee some spectacular NASCAR type action, go fast, turn left.

IMPERIAL RC CLUB TOP GUN VOLUNTEERS

Wayne Churchill	Bruce Horvath
Ash Bishop	Mike Ashcraft
Allen Sale	Dominique Johnson
Larry Loucks	Delmore Johnson
David Raff	Brandon Nichols
Scott Smith	Tony Nichols
Jim Urick	Ron Walter
Rick Ruede	Charlie Patterson
Chris Trumble	Nob Muraki
David DeWitt	Stratton Karahalias
Ron Walter	Kurt Kauth
Mike Zellars	Gary Snyder
Dee Miller	Arnold Schmidt
John Martin	Johnny Best
Dan Hudson	Doug Bruns
Roger Pilkerton	Wanda Bruns
Ian Clark	David Raff
Lloyd Foglequist	Dennis Peterson
Jim Strawn	David Magazine
Jim Strawn Jr	Kurt Kauth
Jerry Ruthven	George Nauck
AL Barrasso	Phil Haag
Michael Saldano	Dudley Colvin
Henry Saldano	



Club Members, Tell Us Your Stories!

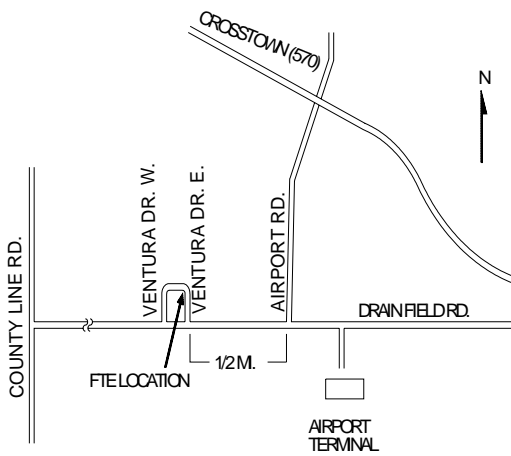
Are you a member of a club? Do you want more people to know about your club? Do you know its history? If so, we would like to hear from you!

The AMA's History Program was created to tell the complete story of model aviation through a collection of histories of modelers, clubs, and companies. There are thousands of model aviation-related clubs in the U.S., but our program only has the histories of seven in our online collection! (www.modelaircraft.org/museum/clublist.aspx)

Please help us document the history of modeling clubs by sharing your stories with us. You help us by adding to the overall history of American modeling clubs, and we help you by getting the word out about your club and potentially attracting new members.

Telling Us About Your Club is as Simple as 1-2-3!

1. Print out our Club History Writing Guide online at www.modelaircraft.org/files/museum/PDF/clubwritingguide.pdf
2. Write as much as you can about the club. Make sure to read and complete the consent form, which is the last page of the guide.
3. Mail the completed Club History Writing Guide (with completed consent form) and additional materials to:



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Coming Area Events

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OUR NEXT MEETING IS: June 4th
Check out the directions to our meeting place.