

It's Time for Some

January 2024

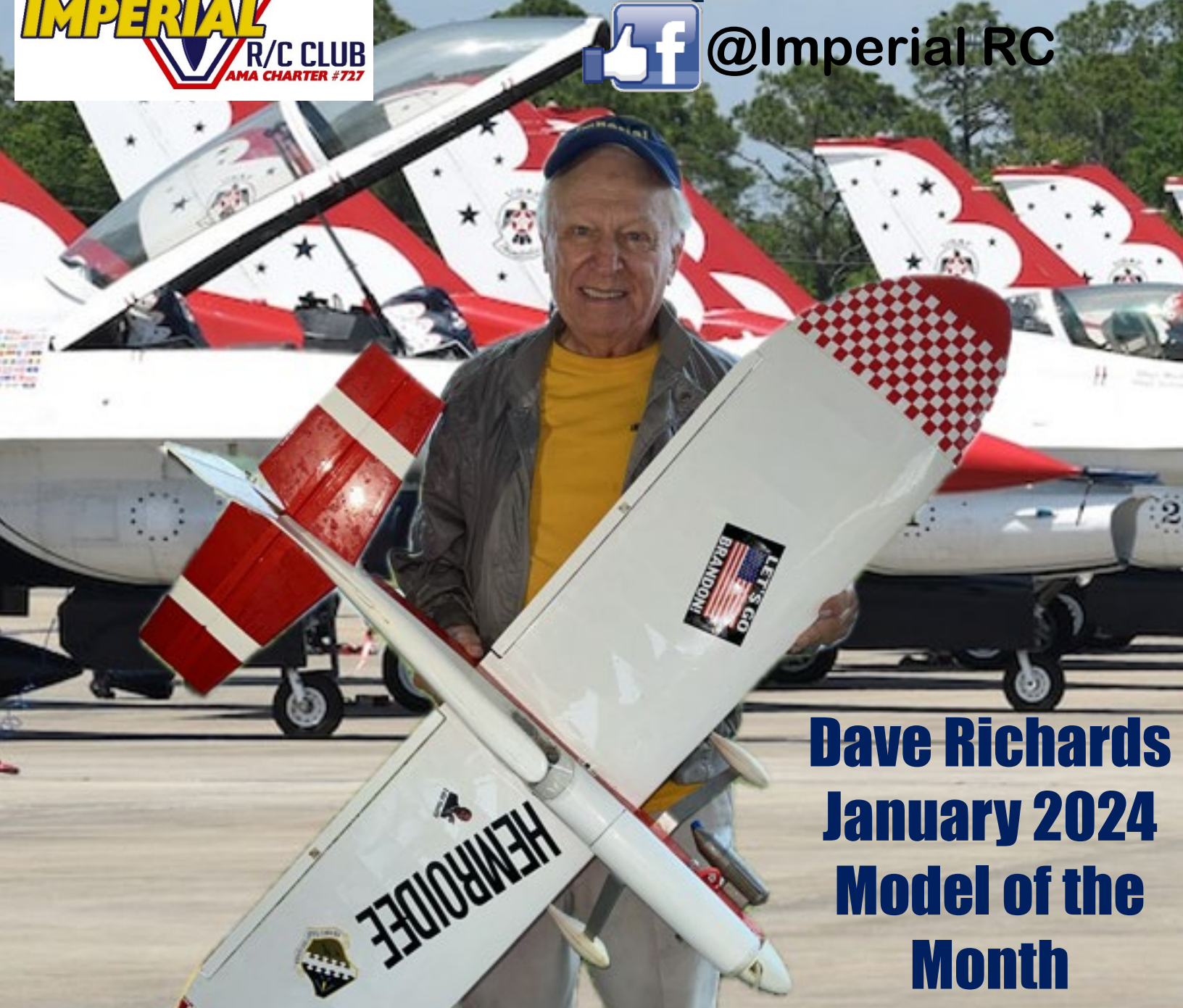
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Dave Richards
January 2024
Model of the
Month

STICK & RUDDER MEETING MINUTES CERTIFICATES /AWARDS
100 MISSION ROLL CALL MODEL OF THE YEAR NOMINEES
COMING EVENTS Florida eJet Fest and
PLANES, TRAINS & AUTOMOBILES



Stick and Rudder

By Kevin Pazda, IRCC President

February meeting – Because of the upcoming events scheduled for the first two Saturdays in Feb, we have decided to move the February meeting forward (sooner) 1 week, to **January 27th**.

I want to thank everybody who braved the weather to come out to the January meeting. There was a promise of 90% rain probability and anticipated wind gusts. Even with competing to talk over the sound of the rain on the roof, we were able to have a successful although unconventional club meeting. We were even able to welcome a new member who had come out to join the club and study the drainage patterns of stormwater on the infield and parking area. As it turned out, almost immediately after the meeting the wind died down and the weather turned beautiful so that we were able to get in a few flights before noon time.

Model of the Year – Some of you may know that Dennis Peterson was awarded the Model of the Year for 2023. We're looking forward to awarding Dennis the Annual trophy that he will be able to display with pride for all of 2024.

Newsletter editor - we wish to welcome Jerry McGhee to the prestigious position of the Propwash Newsletter Editor. You all know Jerry as a creative writer having been published for over the past six years, now he will both be the Creative Director and Editor of our newsletter. Please direct newsletter submissions to Jerry and feel free to contribute creative content.

Contest Directors - We now have three additional Contest Directors who have completed their requirements. Please join me in congratulating our new contest directors - Glenn Griffin, William Reding, and David Raff.

Stick and Rudder Continued

Upcoming events

2024 FLORIDA e-JET FEST - February 1-4, 2024 – The fliers have been posted on our website, as well as RCGroups.com. We are anticipating a great turnout and a fun time. We frequently get visitors from far and wide, and that provides a great opportunity to make some new friends. People are hard at work procuring some pretty amazing raffle items for the event.

Planes Trains & Automobiles – February 10th 10:00 - 3:00 (setup must be completed earlier than that)

SAE Aero Design East - March 8 - 10, 2024 requesting assistance for safety/dimension inspections

Frank Tiano All Scale Fly-In - May 1-5, 2024. This event has been sanctioned by AMA.

David DeWitt has replenished the yellow IRCC T-shirts. The shirts will be available for purchase at the monthly meeting or whenever you run into him at the field. You may also contact David via email at benz425@aol.com to arrange your shirt purchase.

It is great to see everyone enjoying the hobby. Get on out to the field, bring an airplane to fly or a project for “show and tell”. Grab a coffee on the way, pick a comfortable chair, and share a tale or two (hanger flying). If you’re feeling good, get a flight in and log it on the board. If you’re feeling grumpy, get 2 flights in.

We are hobbyists who dream, design, build, and fly model aircraft of all sizes for fun and competition. We do this because we enjoy the company of fellow enthusiasts, we love flight, and we want to see participation in our hobby grow.

Continuous Information Update:

The 100 RC Missions Over Florida is alive and well for the 6th consecutive year! The 100 Missions flight log is posted in the case at the center of the main pavilion. Remember, this is a “Health Barometer”; if you’re feeling sick or curmudgeonly, come to the field, log some flights and you’re guaranteed to feel better! Even if you get your “100”, please keep logging your sorties throughout the year as it is interesting to see the number of sorties that get logged by our members.

If you notice anything broken or destroyed at the IRCC facility, please let Bill Pawl know about it and set the item aside, out of the way so that we may dispose of it properly.

If you’re interested in joining the Grass cutting crew and you can spare some time to join the crew, it would certainly be appreciated to give those who are currently on the crew some welcomed relief as it takes a few hours to cut the field so that all of our members can fly safely on our well-manicured field and runways! Bill Pawl will coordinate any training needed to operate the equipment. Please contact Bill Pawl via email at proppusher64@yahoo.com to join the crew!

As a reminder, please do not fly over our northern boundary, which is the Se7en Wetlands and a bird sanctuary just north of our field. If you see someone flying over the wetlands say something to that pilot! The IRCC membership has been doing a great job not flying over this boundary since it was made aware to us in February 2020!

No guest should be flying unless they are invited by an IRCC member, the member is present when their guest arrives, and the guest has a valid AMA membership. If you’re unsure, ask the person in question to see their AMA and who their IRCC sponsor is. As a member of the IRCC you have that right.

Get out to the field, introduce yourself to someone you don’t know, and make a new friend, when landing keep your wings level with the horizon and main gears first as gently as you can!

See you at the field!

Sincerely,

Kevin Pazda

Imperial R/C Club President 2024



IRCC Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2024

1. Meeting called to order

2. Pledge of Allegiance was said

3. We welcomed one new member Ross Diehl

4. Awards and certificates:

- It was announced that Dennis Peterson had won Model of the Year. he was not present.
- 100 mission sticker: No one had qualified

5. Minutes

- Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from last month's meeting as they were posted in the newsletter. Motion carried.

6. The Treasures report was made by Steve Jaworski.

- All bills paid and money in the bank

7. Steve also gave the membership report as well.

- **57** current paid members and he is currently working on an updated roster.

Dues are coming in better now that it is the new year.

8. Field and Maintenance Report by Bill Pawl.

All well no issues, has found several items on the field and they are currently in the Lost and Found box.

9. Field Safety Report

Bob Curry reported no issues with safety this month.

10. Instructors Report by Jeff Hughes.

All going well, has several new people contacted him about learning to fly.

IRCC Meeting Minutes Continued

11. Club newsletter / Website by David Raff - Ron McKie

David reported that he published his last newsletter in December and is still looking for someone to step up and take his place for January and beyond.

Ron was not present, but no issues know about for website.

12. New Field search Committee.

No updates

13. Old Business

a) Lock the gate: it has been left open several times as of late. Please double check prior to leaving to see if you are the last one out.

b) Contest directors Update: Jerry McGhee updated us that we have two certified contest directors Glenn Griffin and William Reding and David Raff has completed the course and is awaiting his certificate.

c) Fire Ant Control: Every member is responsible for Fire Ant Control

d) Trash Collection: if you generate trash, take it home with you. unless it's aluminum cans, then you can deposit them in the recycling bin.

14. New Business

a) February meeting date? Conflicts on the 1st and 2nd Saturday. It was suggested to have the meeting the last Saturday in January which would be the 27th. More information to follow from Kevin Pazda

b) New directing signs for events: David Raff has got quotes for 18 x 24 signs at about 8 - 10 dollars apiece, this be brought up at next meeting.

c) We had an LP tank donated for upcoming event by Keith Genske. THANK YOU, Keith.

IRCC Meeting Minutes Continued

15. Future Events -

a) Florida E-Jet Fest, February 1 -4, 2024. We have three donated prizes to raffle off during the event a 70 mm and 90 mm eFlite Viper by Horizon Hobby and a Zeus by Motion RC.

Jerry McGhee will be putting out an E-mail blast about this event soon.

b) Planes Trains and Automobiles, Plant City, February 10th, 10:00 - 3:00

c) SAE Aero Design East, March 8 - 10, 2024 requesting assistance for safety/dimension inspections.

d) Frank Tiano Memorial All Scale Fly-In: This is now scheduled and approved by AMA for May 1 - 5 2024.

e) Warbird fly-in date? To be determined.

f) Model Aviation Day? August dates to be determined.

16. Over and Above Nominations

David Raff for all the years of editing and publishing the Club Newsletter. second was made and Motion carried.

17. Plane of the Month - a two-year kit build by Dave Richards a Veco "SMOOTHIE"

18. Announcements - None

19. 50/50 - None

20. Motion to close - was made and second and carried.

See you at the next meeting. Keep an eye out for upcoming news about the date.

2024 Membership Dues

The lifeblood of the club is the revenue derived from our members' annual dues payments. It pays the rent and keeps the field an open and attractive place to fly.

The Club's Officers and Directors are determined to do what's necessary to retain and expand its membership and will provide assistance to make that easier.

Membership renewal for 2024 is now open.

Any full member looking at a \$200 renewal may feel free to break that up into two payments with a \$100 payment due by the end of 2023.

The only caveat is that the full balance of dues needs to be paid in full by the end of March 2024 to retain your flying privileges.

Your full membership privileges will be recognized on Jan 1st under this plan.

If you choose this plan, all we ask is that you make a notation along with your first payment or email me at sajetguy@aol.com advising me that you are using this dues payment plan.

Thank you!
Steve Jaworski
Treasurer

January 2024 IRCC Meeting DAY



(Above) Despite the winter storm deluge of rain on January 6, 2024, 20 brave IRCC members attended the monthly meeting



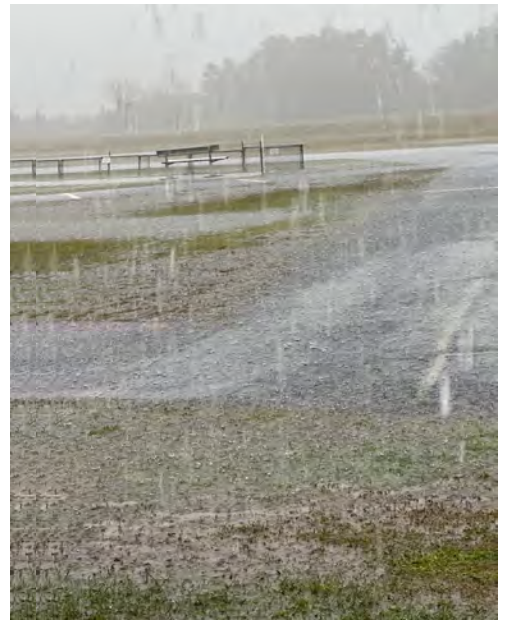
(Left) Terry Short receives his December 2023 Model of the Month certificate from IRCC President Kevin Pazda. Terry presented and flew an impressive Wellington Bomber!

(Right) Bob Curry receives his Permanent Award from IRCC President Kevin Pazda for his 2022 Model of the Year award! Bob Scratch built a beautiful Tiger Moth that is electric.



January 2024 IRCC Meeting DAY

OH HOW IT RAINED & Flooded!



2023 Model of the Year Voting Results



January 2023
2 votes



February 2023
2 votes



March 2023
17 votes



April 2023
1 vote



May 2023
0 votes



June 2023
2 votes



July 2023
0 votes



August 2023
2 votes



September 2023
1 vote



October 2023
6 votes



November 2023
2 votes



December 2023
3 votes



Final Roll call for 2023!

Drew Powell - Jerry McGhee

Jeff Hughes - Glenn Griffin

Todd Beatty - Steve Franc

Roger Griffith - Bill Pawl

Art Duncan - Art Duffy

Tommy Nolin - Don Patterson

John Burdin - Ian Clark

Wesley Miller

***Thank you to everyone who
participated!***



2023 100 Missions Participants!

Flights Logged at IRCC

2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTAL
4,760	6,559	6,073	5,797	3,708	26,897

<u>Name</u>	<u>Missions</u>
Wesley Miller	436
Steve Franc	350
Jerry McGhee	247
Roger Griffith	202
Drew Powell	200
Jeff Hughes	162
Todd Beatty	150
Art Duffy	126
Glenn Griffin	125
Don Patterson	121
Tommy Nolin	120
John Burdin	120
Bill Pawl	118
Kevin Pazda	105
Ian Clark	100
Art Duncan	100
Ron McKie	89
Mark Durkac	73
George Hoekstra	73
Will Redding	65
Bill Littlefield	64
Preston Valk	61
Ron Finger	60
James Enderton	56
Lance Biddle	53
Alan Samples	48
Luke Reither	45
Terry Baker	35
Owen Page	33
Tom Brooker	29
Wally Sunde	23
David Raff	23
Greg Aldrich	23
Jim Giallombardo	18
Buddy Shackleford	15
Brock Simon	14
Tyler Aldrich	9
Andy Bolig	8
Bob Curry	4
Misori Fuentes	3
Frank Stephens	1
Richard White	1
Total Logged	3708



Log your sorties!

No one yet! Stay Tuned!

COMING EVENTS!

February 1-4, 2024

Mulberry, FL

**FLORIDA
eJET FEST
INTERNATIONAL**



Fly-In INFORMATION

CD: Jerry McGhee mcghee66@gmail.com
Co-CD: Steve Jaworski sajetguy@aol.com
Website: www.imperialrcclub.com
Event: EDF Fly-in
Contests/Prizes/Trophies: Yes
Registration: \$40.00/all 4 days; \$20/day
Facility: 26 acres cleared land
Onsite Camping: Available, no services
Hotels: Several within 5-20 min from field

EDF ONLY EVENT



600' x 30' Paved Runway

Sorry, No Turbines, No Props

12TH ANNUAL
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PLANES, TRAINS & AUTOMOBILES**
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FEBRUARY 10TH, 2024
PLANT CITY AIRPORT
PLANT CITY, FL
10AM - 3PM

Airplanes, Cars
Model Train Layouts
Car Show and Airplane Show
RC Aircraft Demos
Kids' Activities
Scout Badging

 **Atlas Aviation**

 **PLANT CITY
MAIN STREET**

 **Trailwind**
Enterprise

WWW.MYTBAA.ORG/PTA



SAE Aero is looking for approx. 15-20 RC pilots to volunteer as technical inspectors on Fri March 8, 2024 (7:30AM-5:00PM). Technical inspectors will verify planes meet the SAE preflight requirement checklist as well as follow standard model aircraft safety practices. We will also need 3-5 inspectors for Sat & Sun (3/9, 7:30 AM-5:00 PM & 3/10 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM) for re-inspections.

Volunteer sign-up: Required for All Volunteers: Sign in or Create an Account and Complete the Participation Survey: [SAE Aero Design](#)

Rules Link:

<https://www.saeaerodesign.com/cdsweb/gen/DocumentResources.aspx>

Site Link:

[SAE Aero Design East](#)



March 8, 2024

FRANK



TIANO



ALL SCALE FLY-IN

MAY 1ST – 5TH 2024



SCALE AIRCRAFT ONLY

Mulberry, FL

AWARDS 1ST 2ND & 3RD

Military WWI	Golden Age
Military WWII	Civilian
Military 1946-Present	
BEST OF SHOW	

Aircraft Size

Must be larger than:

- 80" Wingspan
- Monoplane
- 60" Wingspan
- Biplane
- 10S or higher
- EDF
- No Turbines
- No Exceptions!!!!



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Amenities

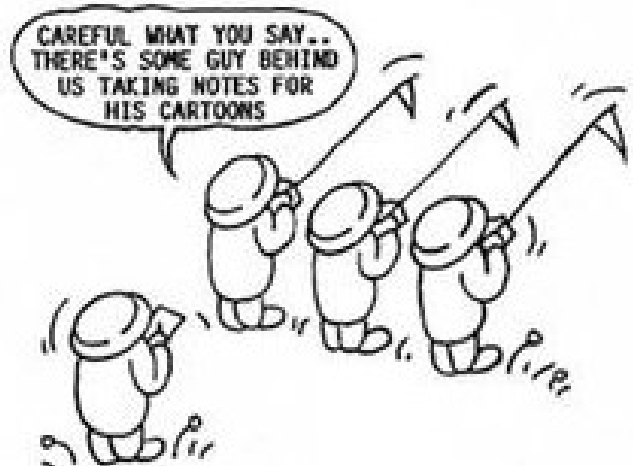
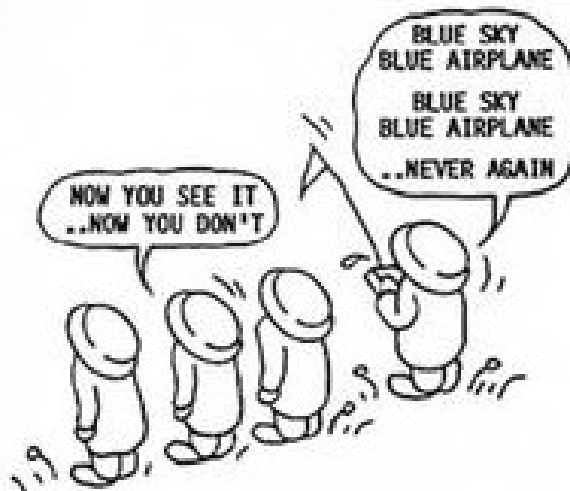
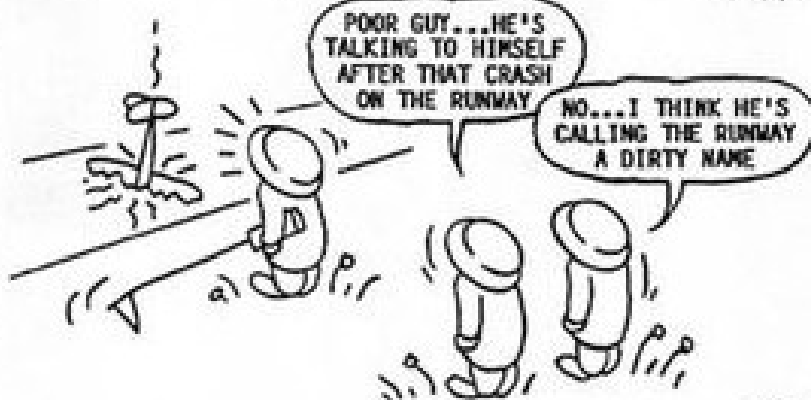
600' x 30' Paved Runway
Dry Camping
Tents for Rent
Food On Site



NATIONAL MODEL AVIATION DAY

August 10, 2024

THE MICROHENRYS





IRCC FIRE ANT CONTROL

If you see a mound, kill the mound!

The IRCC Fire Ants are in full bloom. If you see a mound, kill the mound! **It is up to every member to help control these fire ants. Do not wait for the next guy to take care of it. If you see it, you are responsible for it.** Go to the West end of the main shelter, open the fire ant killer bucket, scoop out one cup, sprinkle the contents in the cup on to the target mound and return the cup to the container, then seal the lid.





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IRCC
Member
Flying with
Handicap
placard

IRCC Flying Members and
Flying Guests with Planes

Guests and Non-
Flying IRCC Members

Imperial RC Club of
Mulberry (Model...)

**NO PARKING AREA
TRAILER SWING AREA**

**IRCC
DESIGNATED PARKING
AREAS**

3 Designated spots for IRCC members with handicap placards and they intend to fly during their visit to the IRCC. Non-flying park in yellow spots

Parking for any IRCC member or guest with a plane and they will be flying during their visit to the IRCC

Art Magarino's Parking Spot

Designated 8 end parking spots for all non-flying guests and members of the IRCC who did not bring a plane or intend to fly during their visit.

No parking area. This space is needed for IRCC members and flying guests who bring trailers to have enough swing space to properly back into a flying parking spot.

NEXT IRCC MEETING



SATURDAY
January 27, 2024
10:00 AM

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