

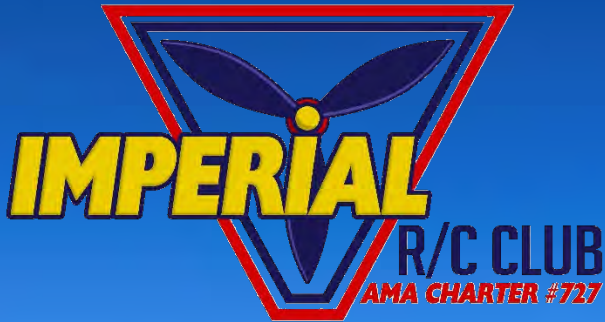
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February 2025

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AIRFIELD**



**Will Reding's
February 2024
Model of the Month**

STICK & RUDDER MEETING MINUTES CERTIFICATES /AWARDS

Planes, Trains & Automobiles! Florida eJet Fest International

100 MISSIONS 2025



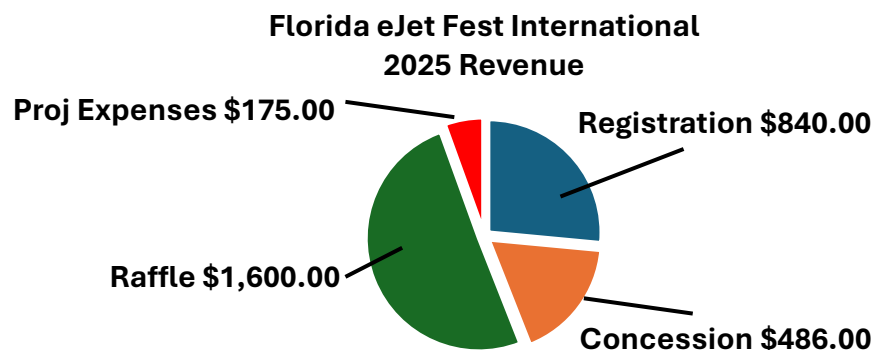
Stick and Rudder

By IRCC President Kevin Pazda

E-jet fest- I think we have much to be proud of for how the event went off this year. I am thankful to all the club members who helped with registration, raffle, concessions, setup, cleanup, and ambassador duties. The weather was perfect for the event with comfortable temperatures and light to moderate wind. Motion RC unveiled their latest EDF, the SR-71 and for our entertainment, Motion RC Product Specialist, Wesley Miller demonstrated the new SR-71 blackbird and new user-friendly helicopters, Contest Director, Jerry McGhee flew daily demonstrations of his 747, the APEX airshow team performed demonstrations with F-18s in formation, F-22 performance, and an A-10 show with a little extra spice. There were a few particularly spicy moments for those pilots when in the early morning on Thursday, I watched the 3, F-18s disappear into the foggy low clouds, they were thankfully able to hook back out and untangle who was flying which airplane. It is probably unnecessary to report that they were unwilling to try to repeat that maneuver!

On behalf of the club, I also want to thank our sponsors for the support shown to the club, FMS, Motion R/C, and Horizon Hobbies. The generosity of these companies, the participants, and the spectators make a tremendous difference in the success of our events.

The E-Jet Fest was able to generate approximately \$3,000 for the IRCC for 2025. The Triade approach (raffle, food, and registration) for revenue generation is working quite well for us and the weather was a huge win to make this happen as well!



Planes, Trains, and Automobiles – Was a great success! The weather looked a little suspect early in the morning but by the time things got rolling, it was still overcast, but a comfortable day. It was great to see the reaction of many of the children as they passed by the display.

During the event, we have a lot of contact with the public, some of whom are experiencing model aviation for the first time. The simulators were a big hit for those interested in trying them out. There were three operating and frequently occupied throughout the day.

Stick and Rudder Continued

I was delighted at the show of support from club members, some of whom were fortunate to receive trophies from spectator and committee voting. David Raff will have a more detailed report of the event. Thank you to everyone who participated.

The Frank Tiano All Scale Fly-in – This is about 2 months away, time to patch up the Cub, or polish the aluminum on the Mustang. The flier should be included in the newsletter. This is the 2nd year for this event, and I am excited to see what entries we will have to marvel at. I know there are more appropriately sized planes in members' hangers, let's get them out and flying!

Upcoming IRCC events

- **The Frank Tiano All Scale Fly-in – May 1-4, 2025.**

I hope you get out to the field, look out for your neighbor, and enjoy the little things.

Sincerely,

Kevin Pazda

Imperial R/C Club President 2025



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.

Stick and Rudder Continued

Continuous Information Update:

The 100 RC Missions Over Florida is alive and well for the 7th 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!

Kevin Pazda
Imperial R/C Club President 2025



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IRCC MEETING MINUTES

January 25, 2025

Total Adult members 66 / Needed For Quorum (20% w/2 Officers) 13

Members in attendance _____

1. The Pledge of Allegiance Was said at 10:00 am
2. The Meeting was called to order at 10 am by Kevin Pazda.
3. Welcome any visitors or new members!

Kendall Philips new returning member

4. Awards/Certificates

- a. Model of the month certificates, George Hoekstra
- b. 100 mission patches are in, and a new list posted to mark your flights

5. Minutes – Motion to accept January minutes as recently posted in the newsletter. Passed

6. Treasurer Report (Kevin Pazda) Bills are paid. Money in the Bank

7. Membership Report (Kevin Pazda) currently 66 members

The membership data below was updated at publication. The data at the top of these minutes is the membership data at the time of the meeting. The data has a separation of 28 days (Jan 25th Meeting/Feb 22 Publication Date)

IRCC MEMBERSHIP 2025	IRCC Membership Class
74	Full Members
15	New Members
4	75/75 Members
4	Jr. Members
6	Comp Members
3	Snowbird Members

8. Field and Maintenance Report – Bill Pawl

Repair work from storms is complete shelters are square and braced

9. Safety Report - No safety issues noted

10. Instructors Report – (Jeff Hughes) planes are good and things going well.

11. Club Newsletter / Website - (Jerry McGhee - Ron McKie)

Both the Newsletter and Website going well

IRCC Meeting Minutes Continued

12. New Field Developments – Back in negotiations asking for a longer lease, cost what are we paying for are just some of the questions

13. Old Business

a. no old business discussed

14. New Business

a. No new business

15. Future Events (6-month look ahead) –

a. Planes, Trains, and Automobiles tentative date February 1, 2025, David Raff has a sign-up sheet to get an idea of how many members plan to participate and asked everyone to come out

b. Florida e-Jet Fest International February 6-9th Jerry McGhee Asked for help with the event and noted that there would be a raffle.

16. The Frank Tiano All Scale Fly-in – May 1-4, 2025. The AMA Sanction has been approved.

17. Over & Above Nominations Bill Pawl

18. Plane of the Month – Will Reding presented his new IRCC 74” Lazer

19. 50/50 Drawing no drawing done

20. Motion to Close Made and accepted at 10:49

The End





Event Report

**By Jerry McGhee
Contest Director**

The 2025 Florida eJet Fest International was held at the Imperial RC Club on February 6-9, 2025. Perfect weather was on tap for the event; sunny skies, temperatures at 82 degrees, and light winds made for an active runway with 54 pilots in attendance from around the United States of America!

Our event sponsors, FMS, Motion RC, and Horizon Hobby were very generous with their free donations to the event that we were able to raffle off and turn into 100% profit for the club!

I would like to thank our sponsors, the IRCC volunteers, the attendees, and those who were fortunate enough to win our raffle and trophies in the events. This was perhaps the best Florida eJet Fest on Record!

The addition of the IRCC cooking our food and selling it has been a real game changer for our ability to raise money for the club. Our cook team volunteers, Art Duncan, Moe Grandmaison, Jim Giallombardo, and Dave Richards kept the masses fed and hydrated on 4 very hot Florida days in the middle of the Winter Solstice (which the Florida eJet Fest boycotts annually ☺)!

The great success of this event has been the raffle sales. My two main POCs for the Raffle were Bill Pawl who oversaw the raffle as the Raffle Director and Tom Carracino who led the mobile sales by walking around the event and selling tickets. Without the generous donations from our sponsors and every registered pilot who bought a raffle ticket in varying volumes along with our spectators who also bought raffle tickets, this would not have been achievable!

I would like to give special recognition to our "Demonstration Squadron" Apexx RC from Triple Creek RC Club in Riverview, FL. Sam Fuller, Harley Russel, Sean O'Connor, and our Motion RC Demonstration Pilot, Wes Miller from Webster, FL! These guys are very talented!

L-R Our "Demonstration Squadron" Apexx RC from Triple Creek RC Club in Riverview, FL. Sam Fuller, Harley Russel, Sean O'Connor, and our Motion RC Demonstration Pilot, Wes Miller from Webster, FL!





Event Report

TROPHY WINNERS



Matt Moore

**Best Scale Jet - Freewing F-18 90mm
West Palm Beach, FL**



Curtiss Schweitzer

**Best Scale Flight - Freewing A-10 80mm
Cocoa Beach, FL**

**Harley Russell
Best Static Score
Scale Jet
EFlite F-16 80mm
Riverview, FL**





Event Report

TROPHY WINNERS



Jeff Holland
Fastest Composite Jet – BVM F-86
Atlanta, GA



Bob Belluomini
Fastest Foam Jet - Freewing Zeus
Cincinnati, OH

Tracey Dickenson
Longest Flight 18:36
Freewing Zeus
Merrit Island, FL





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SAFETY MESSAGE



8 hours Bottle to Throttle

February 2025 IRCC Meeting DAY



George Hoekstra receives his Model of the Month Certificate from January 2025

IRCC 100 Missions Over Florida

2025



LOG YOUR SORTIES!

- 1Flight = 1 tank of fuel or 1 battery
- Crashes Count as a single flight
- Touch and goes do not count toward your 100 sorties count.

FRANK



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- 10S or higher EDF
- No Turbines
- No Exceptions!!!!



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Amenities

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- Tents for Rent
- Food On Site



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2025 Model of the Year Nominees

January - June



January
George Hoekstra
Tower Hobbies Kaos
ARF

February
Will Reding
Skywing Laser 260
ARF

March
TBD
TBD
TBD

April
TBD
TBD
TBD

May
TBD
TBD
TBD

June
TBD
TBD
TBD

NEXT IRCC MEETING



**SATURDAY
March 1, 2025
10:00 AM**



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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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.

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