

NOVEMBER 2000

CONTACT

By: Bill Mintz

We are now approaching the busy time of the year. We have the election of club officers, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. There seems to be some sort of activity that will keep us busy for the rest of the year. This may not leave us much time for flying, but it may provide an opportunity to evaluate how we observe club rules.

There are certain items that need attention. First, the northeast/southwest runway on the east end of the runway is closed, and has been for some time. The only time this runway is to be used is for taxiing purposes. Second, we are not allowed to take-off from the taxi areas. For example, the taxiway due north of the shelter is **NOT** a runway and cannot be used as a take-off point. Third, **all flying is to be done north of the east/west runway**. Fourth, we have posted an aerial picture of the field and surrounding areas. This photograph contains areas marked as **"NO FLY" zones; please observe them**. Fifth, the club has appointed individuals to give introductory flights who have been approved by the AMA. For insurance purposes, please limit introductory flights to these appointed people. Lastly, (you thought I'd never stop, now didn't you?), the club voted during the last meeting that cellular phones

will not be permitted north of the roped off area. Until new information is introduced stating that cellular phones do not disrupt the use of computerized radios, this new rule needs to be observed. Thank you for your cooperation.

I would like to thank John Burdin for volunteering to take care of the marquee in front of the field. We would like to advertise all upcoming events for our club and activities involving the sport of model aviation. If there are any activities involving our sport, please see John with your suggestions.

We have just finished the IMAC meet which seemed to have been a success as far as turnout is concerned. It appears that this meet is growing which is a positive thing for the club.

Please remember at the November meeting we will be voting for new club officers which are: Bill Mintz for President, Ian Clark for Vice President, Don Wasilewski for Treasurer, John Banner for Secretary, and Norm Skinner for Board of Directors.

My final chiche', please remember, *Safety is everyone's responsibility*, and this may help us to maintain our field. Also, pilots who are on the flight line, please communicate with each other, this may keep planes and nerves in one piece.

Special Notice

Your ballot for 2001 officers and directors is enclosed. Please be sure to return it to the club mailing address or bring it to the meeting on November 2nd. The ballots will be counted at 8pm on the meeting day.

If your ballot is not present can not be counted.

TAILSLIDE

By Keith Hunt

Our 2nd Annual IMAC, (International Miniature Aerobatic Club), competition was held October 14th and 15th at Newell Terry Field. The weather really cooperated this time, and we enjoyed some extremely good aerobatic performances from pilots drawn from throughout Florida.

Well over 250 "official" flights were flown in tricky wind conditions with no crashes. This is testimony to the skill level found in IMAC pilots.

Besides myself, three other IRCC members participated in the contest, Bill Southwell, Joe

The IRCC monthly club meeting is held at the Mulberry City Hall at 7:30pm on the first Thursday of each

OUR NEXT MEETING IS:
November 2

The deadline for contributions to the next newsletter is:
November 15th.

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Wedeman, and John Burdin. Bill has past experience in IMAC and is a newer member of our club. Flying a CAP 232 Bill flew very well. John Burdin, as most of us remember, was a formidable competitor in the Masters and FAI classes of Pattern* until he fell on his head and took up jets. Considering he has not flown competition for quit a while, Johns' past competitive experience was quite evident as he flew extremely well. Joe (The Z Man) Wedeman, in only his second contest, took home a Third Place, (and his very first), trophy in his class. Everyone knows Joe is a very capable pilot and is now adding discipline to his arsenal of weapons and edged out some very impressive competitors. Good job Joe!!

Some of you might remember this guy.....Mike Breen made his return appearance debut during this contest,

Mike!!

FYI, Florida has a "stand alone" State Championship Title up for grabs. A Florida State Champion is awarded every year in each class using a points system. When a pilot enters an IMAC event in Florida, that pilots receives points based on how he places and the number of entries. Several of our club members are listed in the Florida points ratings. Anyone that would like to check out this information on-line, go to the FLACRO website. You can also check out state, regional and national IMAC information at mini-iac.com. If anyone has any questions or problems finding thses sites, contact me on-line at Airsouth@gte.net and I will send you the link.

A big thanks goes out to Arnold Schmidt who took care of impound, Carol Hunt for score processing, and Mike Nelson for making a gas run. A very big thanks to the CD, Fred

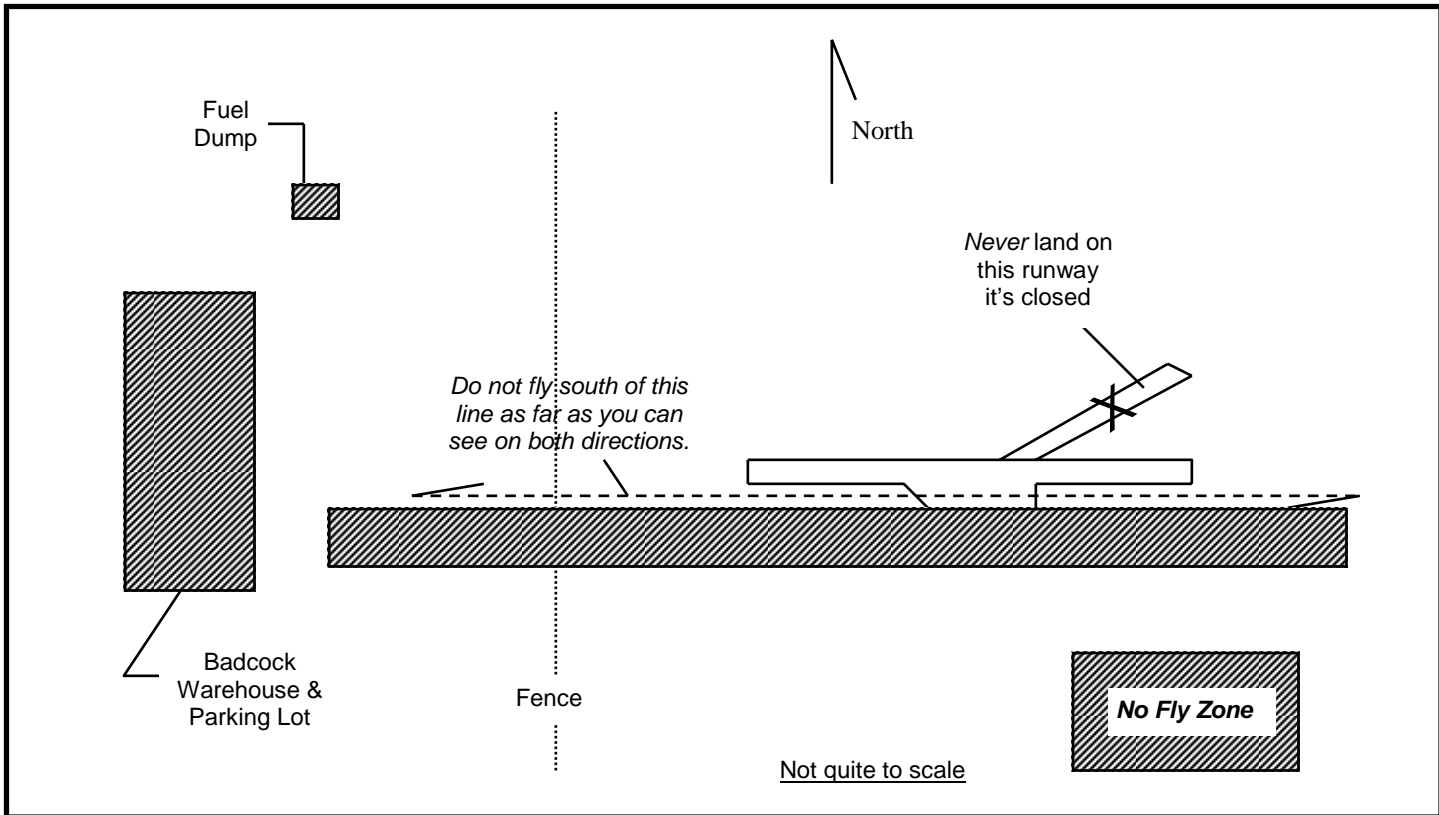
Schmidt. It may not be realized the hours, (and days), spent by a CD of pre-event work, telephone calls, equipment gathering, publicity, event coordination, paper work, decision making.....well.....you get the picture, all simply to help our club financially and to promote a fun week end of R/C flying!

Until next time.....don't forget to have fun!!

Keith

* *Pattern* - is another form of aerobatic competition similar to IMAC but utilizing specially designed R/C aircraft as opposed to scale aerobatic aircraft.

MEETING MINUTES



Please pay attention to this diagram and what's printed below.

welcome back

Jim

Courtesy and common sense makes R/C modeling fun for everyone.

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Nunnallee, Acting Secretary

October 7, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

The minutes from the last meeting and the treasurer's report were accepted as written.

Guests and new members: Ron Martin (Mark's father) and Doug Smith (Scott's father) were guests at the meeting.

Field Maintenance: A big thanks to Tom Conner for the weed-eating at the field.

Safety: Norm Skinner urged everyone to remain heads-up, think about what you are doing, and most importantly to help your buddy at engine startup.

New Pilots: Phil Haag and Tom Conner are now both fully qualified pilots.

Membership: Don Wasilewski reported that we are up to 104 members.

Events: The recent Warbirds event netted \$639.75. The fall IMAC Meet will be October 14-15. Plans are well under way for the December IMAA winter meet.

Old Business: (1) Jim Nunnallee will be filling in as the unofficial Secretary until the elections next month. (2) The club officer election nominations last month were done one month too early. William Mintz reported the corrected results of the nominating committee for club officer positions:
President - William Mintz
Vice President - Ian Clark
Secretary - John Banner
Treasurer - Don Wasilewski
Director - Norm Skinner

No other nominations were made from the floor and the slate was

November BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!

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| Doug Burrell | 20th |
| Oliver Green | 19th |
| Rick Hisle | 1st |
| Dr. Art Magarino | 30th |
| Arnold Schmidt | 11th |
| Fred Schmidt | 8th |

accepted. The election will be finalized at the November meeting.

New Business: (1) William Mintz reported on the status of the roof damage at Badcocks. Rumors have run rampant. Bill reported that so far, the people from Badcocks have been very cooperative. Final repairs have not been made but it looks like our liability will be minimal. He stressed that it is imperative that we avoid overflight of Badcock building. (2) There was a large discussion about IMAC meets being a problem with Badcock overflight. Dee Miller volunteered

to put up a map of the area at the field. The overflight issue will be stressed heavily at the IMAC meet. (3) It was stressed that entering Bulger's property on the east without an escort is strictly forbidden. (4) It was reported that the outhouse vendor wants us to buy insurance for the outhouse. Dee Miller will check on possibly changing vendors. (5) Al Gaudiosi raised the issue of cell phone interference with computer radios. Many fields nationwide are reporting incidents with cell phones and computer radios. An addition to our safety rules was voted on and passed to prohibit any cell phones north of the parking rope.

Plane-Of-The-Month: Norm Skinner won by default with a very nice Goldberg Tiger 60 with retracts.

50/50: Arnold Schmidt took the cash.

Raffle: Don Wasilewski won a jug of fuel. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Letter from the Secretary, *Keith Hunt*
Sept 15, 2000

The following is an open letter to President Bill Mintz regarding my resignation as Secretary;

To: Bill Mintz, President IRCC

Due to the environment that has been created within this administration of the IRCC, I feel that I am unable to perform my duties as your Secretary in an honest, accurate manner. Because of apparent differences in opinion, I am unable to function within the guidelines of our established By-Laws, therefore, I submit this memo as my resignation from the position of Secretary effective immediately.

I have always and will always support this club to the best of my ability. I apologize to the members of the IRCC for any inconvenience this may cause to the club.

Keith Hunt



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Coming Area Events

Winter Rally 2000

IRCC / IMAA Winter Rally

December 9th & 10th, 2000

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