It's time for some Property of the state of

Touch & Go By: Scott S. Smith

Hey guys, I trust that by the time you read this, the March 15th workday is in the history books. The roof on the shed has been redone, new poles and rope for the parking areas, repairs made to the picnic tables and the runways and taxiways edged. I would like to thank Dale Anderson, Al Gaudiosi, John Burdin, Wally Sundey, Joe Wedeman, Santos Trabal, Dennis Peterson, John Banner, Dee Miller, Arnold Schmidt, Charlie Paterson, Kurt Kauth and Jim Urick for making this all possible. We all need to thank these people who pitched in and gave their time and energy to improve our field and make it a little nicer for all of us to enjoy.

I would also like to thank Van Flowers for the work he did on the newsletter for the last year and a half. I know he put a lot of time and effort into it, and we all owe him a lot of gratitude for it. Thank you Van for a beautiful and informative newsletter. We have asked John Burdin to compile the newsletter for a little while in order to give Van a break from the struggle to produce the monthly newsletter. We are also trying a couple of things to lower the cost and try to get it to you earlier. It is really a big task to get all the content, organize it, print, fold, label and mail it out to everyone on a monthly basis and still have a life! Hopefully this new method will make the job a little easier for everyone, and not put all the pressure on one person. I would like to give a very big thanks to both of you.

You will also find in this issue some of the things that we talked about in the executive meeting and the monthly meeting in an effort to change the general attitude of our group. I have heard it many times that <u>life is an attitude</u>. I know that I want to have a very positive and fun time during my life, therefor,



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my attitude needs to reflect that. Have you ever noticed how hard it is to have a bad day when the people surrounding you are all enjoying life? Fun is contagious, so let's try to infect as many people as we can.

Well, until next month, remember to enjoy your sport and don't allow anyone else or anything to spoil your fun. We are all in this sport to relax and have a good time, and that should always be our main focus. Enjoy flying, enjoy the people around you, and make sure you help everyone else to have as much fun and fulfillment from the experience as possible. See ya' at the field...

Don't Miss the April Club Meeting

We have a team of Aerospace engineering students from UCF coming to the April club meeting to report on an RC design and build project. This is a national competition in which colleges from all over the world compete. They must design a plane as light as possible that will carry the largest payload. They will be displaying their airplane (if complete) and talking about there design. This competition is featured in the AMA magazine each year and has been featured on the Learning Channel. So make sure to come to the next club meeting.

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April Birthdays

We don't quite have this part down yet, but we hope to start next month.

Happy Birthday to everyone who has a birthday in April

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

In an effort to assist in club communication it is important to have up to date, and accurate Email addresses. This will allow our members to be notified on various subjects as the need dictates.

The best place to keep this is in the membership database. Dave has many of our Email addresses, however he may not have yours.

Even if you believe he has yours, please Email Dave today with your correct Email address. Send to benz425@aol.com.

The *Propwash* is about the IRCC and it's members. It will be posted on the IRCC website and sent to IRCC members, and to several other clubs in the region so they can see what we are doing and improve communication between clubs.

The content needs to come from the members. Please Email me pictures, articles or anything that you feel my be a good addition to the Newsletter. We will publish it, or print it and recognize you for making it happen.

Your support is needed and appreciated.

Executive Board Meeting

For the Imperial RC club

March 4, 2003

Board members in attendance: Scott Smith (Pres.), Jim Urick (VP.), David DeWitt

(Treas.), Arnold Schmidt (Board Member), Art Magarino (Board Member) Absent: Charlie Patterson (Board Member) and Keith Hunt (Sec.).

Meeting called to order at 7:45 P.M. Meeting was held at: Sonny's BBQ

Items Discussed:

Mall Show. Due to Easter, the month of

April is not available. A future date will be decided at a regular scheduled meeting. **News Letter**: The board discussed ways of lowering the production costs. It was decided to print, fold and label the newsletter ourselves. Jim Urick offered to print the documents at his office. The folding, labeling and mailing would be collective effort done by the club members.

Also discussed was the content of the newsletter. The board concluded that no personal issues will be tolerated to be printed. All content will be presented in a positive way. In order to insure that the content is acceptable, the newsletter will be reviewed by a club officer prior to going to print.

In order to implement these changes, the board members discussed having the editor be more accessible. In order to coordinate the printing, folding and mailing, it was decided to transfer to the responsibilities of the newsletter editor. The new editor that will be recommended is John Burdin. Other recommendations will be accepted at the regular meeting. The board members would like to thank Van Flowers for his hard work & Contributions to the Newsletter.

Club Meetings: The board discussed that all members have a right to express concerns and opinions while conducting regular business during the regular meetings. But personal issues and comments about other club members will not be tolerated, and that person or persons will be considered out of order and the issue will be stopped.

Feb. Minutes: The board members discussed that the February meeting minutes contained some inaccurate information and omissions. These items were considered and it was decided that Corrective minutes would be offered if the membership feels appropriate at the next regular scheduled club meeting. Jim Urick offered to prepare a corrective document for the clubs recommendation.

All above items discussed will by presented at the next regular scheduled club meeting for the membership's consideration.

Meeting adjourned approximately 9: 15 P.M.

The IRCC monthly club meeting is held in the terminal building conference room at the Lakeland Linder Airport. The meeting is on the first Thursday of each month and starts promptly at 7:30pm.

Imperial radio Club Regular Meeting Minutes March 6, 2003

(By: Jim Urick, V.P.)

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm, Scott Smith Presiding

Officers present: Scott Smith, Jim Urick and David DeWitt, Keith Hunt was absent All Board members present 17 total members in attendance Motion to accept treasury report. Motion past Motion to accept January minutes. Motion passed Motion to not accept February Minutes. Motion passed. It was decided by the members that the minutes for the Feb. meeting was not complete and contained errors.

Executive Board Meeting: Jim Urick reported on the board meeting held on March 4, 2003. Please refer to the attached Executive board minutes for a complete recap of the meeting. The members present at the club meeting were asked for input regarding the issues reported at the Board meeting. After discussion the reported changes were approved. Approved changes are as follows:

- A. John Burdin will become the newsletter editor effective 03-06-2003.
- B. The newsletter will be reviewed by a club officer prior to printing.
- C. To reduce costs the newsletter will be printed by Jim Urick and folding, labeling and postage will be completed by the club membership.
- D. At club meeting personal issues and comments with other club members will not tolerated, and that person or persons will be considered out of order and the issue will be stopped.
- E. Discussion took place about the contents of the Feb. newsletter. It was determined that corrective minutes would be published in the April newsletter. Jim Urick will prepare the corrective minutes.

Guests: John Carbone is getting back into modeling after 10 years. John Freel, as he reported, is "a flightaholic"! We welcome both of these gentlemen to our group.

Field Maintenance: Dee Miller reported on the cost to repair the roof. If we provide the labor, the cost will be \$550 – \$600. Kurt suggested we use screws rather than nails. Motion made and seconded to accept the proposal for the repairs. Motion passed.

A suggestion to repair the ropes along the parking area was made. Upon discussion a motion was made and seconded to approve the expense for the fence posts and rope (\$100). Motion passed.

Work Day: It was discussed that the club have a workday to take care of repairs needed for the flying field.

March 15th was recommended. It was also decided to close the field during the repairs, to ensure work could be done on the runways and taxiways. A motion was made and seconded to accept the date and close the field during the work session (approx. half of a day). Motion passed.

Web Site: Scott Smith reported on the renewal for the hosting of the web site. He stated that the cost for the next year will be \$47.88, and he approved the expense. It was also reported the site has had 201,000 hits and 10,000 visitors during its first year. The members present at the meeting thanked Scott for his hard work keeping the site active and up to date.

Scott smith reported on the outcome of the IMAC event that took place in Venice, FI. in February. He stated that our club members were well represented. Here are the results:

John Burdin reported on Florida Jets, He reported that it was a great turn out. The team of club members that participated as air traffic controllers did a great job.

Jim Urick reported on the swap meet in Perry Ga. He commented on the electric flight demonstration held indoors.

Old Business: Jim Urick reported on the P.A. system. A flyer was passed around to the members at the meeting and it was suggested that we try to get one as a demo for the workday. Jim will try to acquire one for a demonstration. Jim also gave an update on the frequency board and talked about any new issues regarding Top Gun.

New Business: It was discussed that a sign be posted on the southwest portion of the field to establish the limits of the vehicle parking area. This is to ensure safety for the Heli. Guy's in that area. It was decided to include this in the workday.

John Burdin reported that the Tri County flyers in Dunellen were loosing their field and needed our assistance. The State of Florida may have some future use for the property and were not renewing the land lease to the model club. Information on the situation was passed out and, John requested that written letters and Emails to be sent to the State representatives to make our case known.

Doug Bruns reported that there has been some news reports concerning R/C aircraft and the potential uses for terrorists. We should be mindful of what we say and how we portray our sport to discredit these myths.

Plane of the Month: John Banner displayed his good looking Hawk IV Helicopter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

April Meeting Agenda

AeroSpace Students Project

Florida IMAC Festival

Top Gun

Revised and Updated By-Laws, Club Policies and Field Rules

New PA

New Freq. Board

Report on Field Maint. Day

2003 Coming Area Events

Sun N'Fun

April 2-8 Lakeland Airport

Florida IMAC Festival

April 19-20 Van Flowers 813-626-4780 vanflowers@tampabay.rr.

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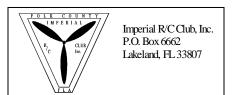
April 23-27 Lakeland, Airport www.FrankTiano.com IRCC is the Host Club

IRCC IMAC Meet

October Keith Hunt 863-858-8078 airsouth@gate.net

Florida International Jet Rally

November 7 - 9 Lake Wales Airport www.phonecsi.com/fjfweb



Don't forget the stamp

IRCC Work Day



Proof positive that a few good men can do a great job.

Pictured below is the "motley crew".

Back row L to R: Charlie Patterson, Arnold Schmidt, Al Gaudiosi, Jim Urick, Dee Miller, Scott Smith, John Banner, Dennis Peterson

Front row L to R: Kurt Kauth, Wally Sundey, Dale Anderson, Santos Trabal.

Not Pictured: Joe Wiedeman, John Burdin (taking the picture)







Corrected Minutes for February 6, 2003 meeting

By direction of the Imperial Radio Control club members present at the March 6, 2003 meeting, the February minutes are to republished in the April newsletter, reflecting the directed changes.

Imperial Radio Control Club Regular Club Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2003 (Keith Hunt, Secretary) (Typed corrections by Jim Urick, V.P.)

Meeting called to order 7:40 PM, Scott Smith Presiding

All officers present. No directors present

Motion to accept treasury report made, and to not accept the January meeting minutes- motion passed.

The January minutes could not be approved because the newsletter was not delivered prior to the February 6th meeting (Minutes published in newsletter). A motion to approve the January minutes will be accepted at the March 6th regular scheduled meeting.

Membership Report by Dave Dewitt – 52 members Guests -New Members- Art.Charlton

Events:

Jim Urick reported that the concessions for the boat meet were very successful. He thanked all the club members for their efforts in helping make it a big success. The club benefited for their efforts was \$690.27.

Pattern Meet: It was determined that the motion to accept the date for the pattern meet was made by a non-current member, therefore the issue must be revisited. A motion was made to accept the dates for the pattern meet (May 24-25) Upon discussion both in favor and against the dates for the meet, the motion was withdrawn and the event was cancelled. At that same time the Warbird event was also cancelled.

Old Business:

Our new directors are as follows. Arn Schmidt (Balance of two-year seat).

Charlie Patterson (Balance of one-year seat).

Thank you both for stepping up to fill these important positions.

Discussion regarding replacing the frequency board took place. Jim Urick reported that he is currently getting information about a replacement. He will report at future meetings.

A motion was made 12-05-2002, proposing a By- Law change (refer to past news letters for wording). Per our By-Laws, IRCC members are required to act on the By – Law change after the entire membership is notified via the newsletter. Upon discussion regarding the wording of the proposed change, the motion was withdrawn.

New Business:

Wally Sundey initiated discussion about past members (members who have not renewed their membership for 2003) Flying at the club field. Wally feels that flying while not being current is not fair for the members that have renewed.

Jim Urick offered a suggestion on how we can utilize the money earned form the boat meet concessions. He stated that a new public address system be considered. Jim Suggested a self enclosed unit produced by the Peavey Company. The cost for the unit would be approximately \$500 to \$600. There was discussion and it was determined that additional information would be gathered and reported at a future meeting.

Bunk reported on the cost for having the roof repaired. It was determined that the cost was not in our budget. Dee Miller was asked to get prices for materials for us to repair it ourselves. He will report at the next meeting.

Discussion about 3D heli flying took place. The membership decided that the Southwest Quadrant of the field would be a safe location.