

Propwash

Touch & Go

By: Scott S. Smith

Well, it is no secret that summer is around the corner! The good news is that we can fly till 8:00 to 8:30, but the heat can really pull the strength right out of us! Be sure you bring plenty of drinks with you to the field, and try to seek shade whenever you can. Sunscreen, that sounds like a good idea too! Also remember that light colors keep you cooler and try to avoid caffeine and alcohol, which both dehydrate our bodies. There could still be some other things that could ruin your day, but don't let the heat or sun be one of them.

Do you know where your plane is? I am not speaking about its personal life, but its proximity to the no-fly zones. I am the last person to look for a mute issue to bring up, so if I address an issue, know that it is a real one. Our Western neighbor is once again being over flown but is allowing us to self police the issue. They have spoken to me on two occasions recently about this, and it could be a real problem for us if we fail to fix the situation ourselves. I have been given no reason to believe that they are against us in any way, but they can't afford the liability of the incidences. Their executive board member I have spoken to has said that we have done very well for the last couple of years, and if we can return to being very conscience of our flight paths, we can remain good neighbors to them. They have been very good to us in allowing us to retrieve our downed aircraft over the years, and this cooperation will continue as long as we all can avoid endangering their property. While this is a very serious issue for our club, it is also an opportunity to show that we want to be good neighbors and are willing to correct our behavior. This issue affects all of us; it is not confined to any size or type of aircraft. We all must give special attention to where we are

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at, and error on the side of safety and preserving our beautiful flying site. We should all look at this as an opportunity to prove that we all want to get along, and do everything we can to insure the future of our club.

So, until next month, stay safe, have fun and get involved in your sport. We can all find areas that we have a common bond and explore what each of us has to offer each other. Our sport is about having fun, so make sure that that is what you are out there trying to do. See ya' at the field...

Top Gun 2003 Recap

By: Jim Urick

I would like to thank all of the club members for their participation in this years' Top Gun. We had 40 current members volunteer to help. I think overall it went very well. The raffle also was very successful. As stated at the meeting, the raffle made approx. 1500 dollars for the club. Your efforts will not be forgotten. I'll be sending out an email with a list of give a ways for the volunteers. Please let me know how I can get the stuff to you all. Again Frank Tiano and I thank you for your dedication and hard work. I'll keep you posted with ongoing news for next year.

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1. Know yourself and seek self-improvement.
2. Be technically and tactically proficient.
3. Seek responsibility and take responsibility for your actions.
4. Make sound and timely decisions.
5. Set the example.
6. Know your soldiers and look out for their well-being.
7. Keep your subordinates informed.
8. Develop a sense of responsibility in your subordinates.
9. Ensure the task is understood, supervised and accomplished.
10. Build the team.
11. Employ your unit in accordance with its capabilities.

Thoughts From the Editor

By: John Burdin

Are you part of the problem? or are you part of the solution?

Recently we had an event that was marred by controversy. This may have been avoided if certain procedures would have been observed. It is important that we do not let this one problem deter us from having future events.

Events are an important part of our organization. Events generate interest, increase club participation, they generate public interest, they often produce new members and they provide additional revenue for our club. With this in mind, it is important to remember that all events are not, nor should they be profit centers.

With these thoughts in mind I am proposing a new event guideline policy that will help us insure that all future events are conducted in a manner that gives the best opportunity of fun and success and

minimizes the chance of failure and mismanagement. Please review these ideas:

A: Any IRCC member wishing to have an event at the IRCC flying field or other location associating with the IRCC, must first submit a proposal to the executive committee. The executive committee will review the proposal, and the proposal will be presented at the next regular meeting for consideration.

The proposal should include an outline highlighting, but not be limited to the following information:

Type of event

Date for the event, including set-up and tear-down.

Manpower requirements

Financial commitment

required form the club

Benefits expected

Upon approval, the CD shall assume responsibility for all activities on the property. The CD will coordinate with club officials, officers and members to assure that all tasks are properly completed, and the IRCC is represented in it's, "Best Light".

B: No formal events may take place at the IRCC flying field on traditional holiday weekends, and the day (days) immediately preceding or following them. (New Years, Easter, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc.)

C: A CD not properly fulfilling their responsibility may be subject to disqualification as a CD for future IRCC events. This determination will be made by the Executive Board, and will be confirmed by a vote at the following regularly scheduled meeting.

This common sense approach should allow our club to continue to have wonderful events enabling all the benefits to flow to the IRCC.

Events are worth keeping and even expanding, and doing them in an efficient, appropriate and safe manner is what this new policy is all about.

I hope you agree!!!

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.

The *Propwash* is about the IRCC and its 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 may be a good addition to the Newsletter. We will publish it, and recognize you for your contribution.

Your support is needed and appreciated.

Monthly Club Meeting Minutes

May, 1 2003

By: Scott Smith- President

Meeting called to order at 7:36 PM by Scott Smith, President.

27 members were in attendance. 1 guest, Garth Bell, was back in town and came out to visit us again. We were glad to have him back. 4 officers (*Scott, Jim, Keith and David*) as well as 1 board member (*Charlie*) were in attendance.

Motion to accept minutes and treasurers report was made by John Burdin, seconded by Dee Miller and passed 27-0.

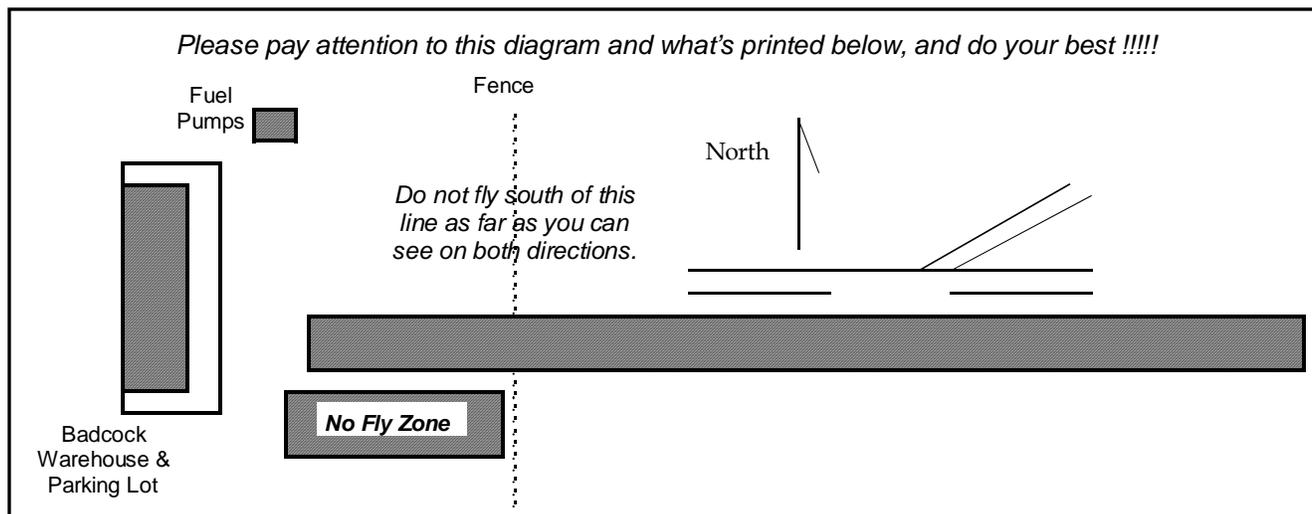
Keith Hunt gave a presentation and report about the IMAC meet, and the events which occurred at it. The most important information was that the no-fly zones to the West must be followed by all of us to insure the longevity of our flying site. \$350 dollars were made at the meet.

Jim Urick gave a report on Top Gun and thanked all the volunteers for their time and effort. We had over 50 people (*40 from our club!*) assist. Gifts to the volunteers were given out after the meeting to those who had contributed their time. The event put \$1,518 dollars in the club account.

Scott Smith informed the club that the Propbusters' field was now back to normal and took suggestions for the new gate combination. Columbus sailed the ocean blue, **1492** was adopted.

John Burdin reported that the emails and letters we sent on behalf of the Tri-county R/C Club had paid off and their club has received an extension on their lease. Thanks to all who helped their club out and made an impact on their future.

Scott Smith reminded us that the no-fly zones over the West **MUST** be followed. Our neighbors have been very pleased with our efforts over the last two years, but they are



very concerned about over flights from a liability standpoint. In a couple of calls he has received in the past few weeks, we must give close attention to our planes over their airspace. They are allowing us an opportunity to correct the issue, but we all must do it now to avoid problems for the entire club. Pease make a special point to follow the club no-fly zones, for all of our sakes.

Bill Johnson offered to give his Nelson Products demonstration at a later date, due to time constraints, but did stay to answer questions and talk to anyone who was interested. Thanks Bill, and we look forward to seeing your demonstration on these products.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

June 5th Meeting Agenda

Proposed Event Guidelines

Further review of No-Fly Zones

The rest of the Top Gun
Volunteer Items

Building Projects
Who is building what????
Bring a plane and talk about
your latest building project.

2003 Coming Area Events

**Before the Heat
Summer Jet Rally**

June 7 & 8
Lake Wales Airport
www.phonecsi.com/fjfweb

**Florida International
Jet Rally**

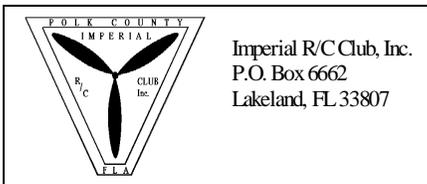
November 7 - 9
Lake Wales Airport
www.phonecsi.com/fjfweb

IRCC Helicopter Meet

November 1-2
Doug Bruns
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IRCC Winter IMAA Meet

December 6 - 7
Dave DeWitt
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OUR NEXT MEETING IS: June 5th