

Touch & Go

By: Scott S. Smith, - President

I first want to thank you all for being at the last meeting. We had some issues to take care of, and I am glad to know that you'll be interested in our club's future as I am. Election nominations will be conducted from the floor and added to the 2004 ballot at the October meeting, so make sure you are there to take part in this very important process for the club. I believe that this next year will be a great one for our club, and an exciting one that you won't want to miss.

I also would like to remind you that the next meeting will be at Frank Tiano's office, home of ZAP products for the Eastern US. Frank was very gracious in allowing us to use his property, so make sure you show him the same respect and treat it like it was your own. I would also like to thank Frank for being so gracious to us, thanks.

We will be having a club workday on Saturday, October 4th, to finish the work we started so as to have a beautiful site for the coming events. We really don't have a lot to do, so be sure to bring your planes out for a great day of flying afterwards. It is things like this that really teach you what we are all about; Taking time to provide a quality place for everyone to enjoy, and making sure that we have fun at the same time.

Until next month, try to keep in mind that this is a sport. Try to keep it fun, safe and not take it so seriously that you forget about having a good time with good friends. I would like to get to a point where the fun we have together takes priority over everything else. Then this will truly become a site that everyone looks forward to flying at. All it takes is everyone making a conscious effort to enjoy life. Isn't that what we are all after anyway? See ya'll at the field...

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Looking Ahead

By: John Burdin

There are a lot of great things coming up in the next few weeks and months in our area. The annual IRCC "Heli" meet is the first weekend in November. In just a few short years this event has really turned into something special. A lot of hard work and special effort by several individuals over the past couple of years is paying off. Although he isn't flying with us right now, Mike Zellers started it, and without his vision, who knows if it would have ever happened. Hard to believe, but yours truly actually started flying these "egg beaters". It's great fun and a wonderful challenge as well. All of our members should be ready to support this year's event. Call Doug Bruns or Scott Smith and let them know you want to participate and "pitch-in".

Immediately after the "Heli" meet the Florida International Jet Rally will take place for the tenth time. Hard to believe it all started that long ago. This event is at the Lake Wales Airport Nov. 7th – 9th. We are expecting a lot of pilots, and many of the participants are international visitors. There will likely be 125 or more airplanes this year, and just about every type of jet both military and sport, will be represented. Each year this event grows and the FIJR is now the 4th longest running jet event in the country, and easily one of the most popular. We invite all of our members to take in the excitement of this year's Florida Int'l Jet Rally.

The first weekend in December is the IRCC / IMAA Winter Rally. This event has had subtle changes through the years, and with Dave DeWitt

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When the field is being mowed, Bunk has the right of way. Don't fly over or near him. He has the authority to close the field if he feels that he is unsafe.

at the helm, it should be in great hands. For many years the Winter event was one of the largest fly-ins of it's type. Back with the traditional dates the first weekend of December, we can reclaim some lost enthusiasm, and once again make this event a pilots must. Dave needs your help, so give him a call and let him know you can help out.

There are other central Florida events throughout the balance of the year. Check out the AMA magazine or go to the AMA website for more information.

Next Spring will be a really busy time again. Florida Jets, MacDill AirFest (yes it's back on the schedule), Sun'n Fun and Top Gun, all in a two month time frame. So fasten your safety belts, and here we go. It will be a great time!!!!

Regular Club Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2003

Terminal building at the

Lakeland Linder Airport

Recorded by: Jim Urick

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

17 members in attendance.

Motion and second to accept the Minutes and treasurers report for the months of July and August, motion carries 17-0

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Membership Report: 68 members

Field & Maintenance Report: Bunk reported that the tractor was in need of repair and the bleachers needed some attention.

Events: An update on the upcoming "heli" event was reported. It was stated that help would be needed to make this event a success. Please let Doug know if

you are willing to help out.

John Burdin made a motion to allow turbine helicopters to fly at the "heli" meet. This is a one-time exception for Saturday and Sunday November 1 & 2, 2003 only. The flights will be limited, highly supervised and safety equipment will be present. Doug Bruns and Scott Smith will make all decisions regarding this aspect of the event. The motion passed 16 for and 1 against.

The Florida Jets event at the Lakeland airport was discussed. Motion was made, seconded and passed 17-0 that our club would be apart of the event. Jim Urick will head up the volunteers and be the contact for Mr. Tiano. Dates for this event is March 4-7, 2004.

David Dewitt reported on the IMAA event being held on Dec. 6 & 7.

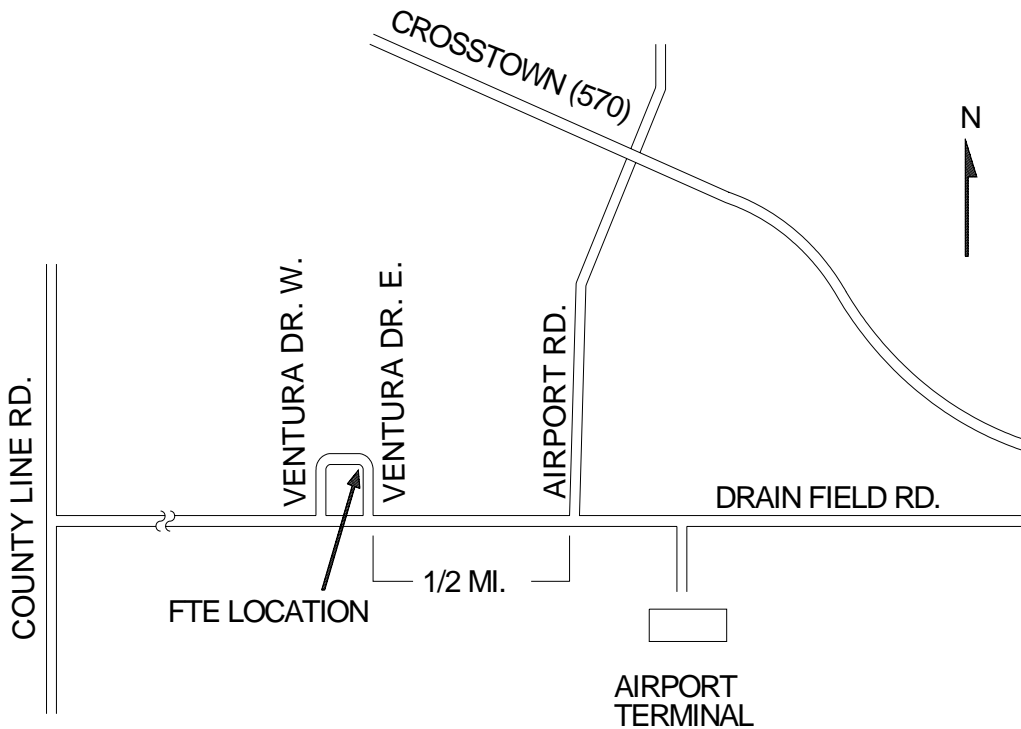
Scott Smith suggested our club do a Fun Fly in the spring of 2004. The members in attendance were in favor of the event, and Scott will report a date for the event at the next meeting.

A work day was discussed. It was suggested that it take place prior to the Heli meet. The date that was agreed upon is Oct. 4, 2003, the first Saturday after the October meeting.

The members discussed the future meeting place. The airport currently charges for the use of the facility, Frank Tiano has offered his facility for club meetings. A motion was made, Seconded and the vote passed 17-0. The October meeting will be moved to Mr. Tiano's office. It was also noted that you must bring your own chair.

Meeting will be held at Frank Tiano Enterprises near the Lakeland Airport. The meeting will be on Thursday October 2nd, and starts promptly at 7:30pm. Bring a chair (if you want to have a seat).

There were two nominations for the monthly



Here is a map to FTE and where we will be meeting October 2nd. *Remember to bring a chair.*

Coming Area Events

IRCC Helicopter Meet
 November 1-2
 Doug Brunns
 863-299-8863
DBrunns6549@cs.com

Florida International Jet Rally
 November 7 - 9
 Lake Wales Airport
www.phonecsi.com/fjfweb

IRCC Winter IMAA Meet
 December 6 - 7
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Don't forget the stamp

OUR NEXT MEETING IS: October 2nd
Check out the directions to our new meeting place.