

CARTWHEELS BY: LARRY LOUCKS, PRESIDENT

No Report

New Members Proposed at the September Meeting None Reported

Instructor Report

By: George Nauck

** George will not be available for a while **

Beginning October 2 through New Years Day 2012, I will be demonstrating radio controlled US Army Apache type helicopters for JC Penney at the mall in Brandon on Saturdays and Sundays, as well as a few Fridays. This will require some club members to fill in for weekend teaching/training/helping at the field. I will be able to do some on weekday mornings or evenings.

Since the September meeting, I have soloed another young pilot with his electric Apprentice. His name is Max ???? and he is 9 years old. He required minimal training, mostly field and safety rules.

Our next club meeting is: Thursday October 6th at FTE Plan to attend and see what's new !!

*** Important Notice *** Field Maintenance Report From: Ian Clark

Our dumpster has been locked up as we now will use it only for events at the field. We have a contract with the dumpster people and they have agreed to only charge us when we call for it to be emptied. If you brought something to the field, please take it home. There will be large plastic bags available to collect "used" airplanes and other stuff. <u>Be sure to take it home with you.</u> IRCC and Turbine Operations From The Editor

Recently while at the field I was asked to look at our achieves, and see if I could locate the information that details how, and when we got to be a "NO TURBINE" club. The gneisses came from a series of events a long time ago in a galaxy far far away. Not to make lite of situation, but it has been a long time.

For quite a few years in the early years of turbine operation we had a very small number of pretty dedicated operators. The technology was new, and a new set of pilot skills were required, and new and challenging safety issues needed to be addressed.

Overall, all of the turbine operations at the IRCC field were safe and without incident. There were some nonflying pilot relationships that did create some problems. Friction and ONE particular pilot who set the field on fire when very dry (not in a crash, but an exposed tail pipe in tall grass) and he <u>did not have any firefighting equipment</u>. Not even the minimum dictated by the AMA. This episode got a lot of members bent out of shape. So, at the following meeting there was a cry so loud that no one else could be heard. Instead of waiting to determine an appropriate course of action, or designing a set of very restrictive turbine regulations, the club voted to ban all turbine operation; *Club Policy #10*. In retrospect that was probably not the worst decision.

Not too long after that Doug Bruns made a formal request to have heavily supervised turbine helicopter operations allowed at the upcoming heli meet. The request was overwhelmingly approved at the September 2003 club meeting. Since then, turbine helicopter operations have been a given at that event each year without any request for a rule waiver or modification. I am not sure what measures were taken to address safety issues.

Although I recall the meeting when turbine operation was banned like it was yesterday, I cannot find the specific meeting minutes or newsletter which it would have been reported in. I do have those documents going back to 1999 when I took over the Newsletter, however some have been lost. There was also a period of about eight months when I did not do the newsletter around the time period in question.

There is probably no one that would like to see routine turbine operation at our field more than me. However fixed wing turbine operation requires a lot of over flight area, and we don't have that space at the current IRCC field. And, we cannot contain most turbine aircraft at the IRCC field.

I believe that with the exception of an occasional turbine demonstration flight, routine fixed wing turbine operation should stay where it is for now. Heavily supervised and

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regulated heli operations are a slightly different issue.

Hope that this helps with those who want to know where we are and how we arrived.

Scale Plans Building for the Novice: Part 2

by Jerry Bates A comprehensive article on selecting and building your first scale RC model airplane from plans.

The 2nd part of this article has not arrived yet. Look for it next month

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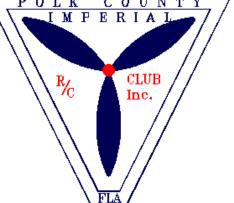
Boom Boom Boom From George Nauck

The "BoomBoomBoom" is another experimental aircraft from George Nauck. He used up most of his scrap balsa and an ounce of CA to "throw it together" at the field in a few afternoons. The fuselage is airfoil shape and 12 inches wide. Powered by a Rimfire .25 given to him by Bill. The first flight was tail heavy and had a flight path likened to a mosquito hawk, landing on the nose and doing some damage. The repair lengthened the nose by about 6 inches

and created a space to insert an extra 3s Lipo strictly for nose weight. Second flight was then successful and controllable, and afforded a sucessful landing. The plane adopted Phil Harris' song "The Thing" as a theme, and got its name from the line "get out of here with that boom-boom-boom. and don't come back again!".







The IRCC monthly club meeting will be held at FTE near the Lakeland Airport. The next meeting will be on Thursday October 6th and starts promptly at 7:30pm. Remember to bring a chair if you want to have a seat.

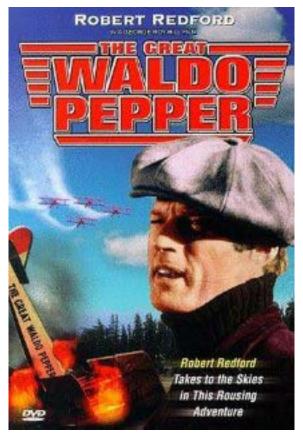
The Great Waldo Pepper

A biplane pilot who had missed flying in WWI takes up barnstorming and later a movie career in his quest for the glory he had missed, eventually getting a chance to prove himself in a film depicting the dogfights in the Great War.



Dennis Peterson and his Lola.

This is a great movie, and you will want to watch it a second or third time for sure.



Watch the movie and lean the story behind the men and the airplanes.







This is a beautiful one-off airplane with plenty of detail.

IRCC Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2011 Minutes recorded by: George Nauck, Secretary

Imperial R/C Club Minutes - September 1, 2011

- Attendance was 28, a quorum for a change. Thanks to all who came out.
- Larry Louckes called to order at 7:35
- Treasurer Report discussed finances in general and status of income versus expenses.
- Membership report 88 members, about 10% youth.
- Field Maintenance all in good shape.
- Instructors report Going well, several students. Soloed Christian Miguez, 11 yr. old. Christian's dad put the story on stories-and-memoirs.com with compliments to the fellowship of Imperial R/C Club.
- Larry gave a summary of the numerous contacts that have been made regarding potential sites for a new flying field. Liability is a big issue with many. A very professional proposal was sent to officials of Polk county/SWFMD for a site under their control, but it will take time to work it through all the necessary channels.
- Returned to lengthy discussion about ideas to increase income. Many ideas discussed, like more events, greater income from outside events, raffles, increased dues, reopening the field to turbines, etc. Motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved for all club members to email the president with their suggestions for increasing income. These will be organized by the Executive Committee and presented to the club for discussion.
- Scott Smith presented a proposal for the hosting of three pylon events in 2012. Two will be open races for SEMPRA, one in March and one in October. The other event will be to host the World Championship FAI Qualifications again as we did last year, if Scott's proposal is again accepted. Our club was highly praised for the job we did for them last year. The motion was made and seconded to approve the hosting of the two and possibly three events next year. It passed unanimously.
- The 50:50 drawing netted the club \$110.
- The sportsmanship award was presented to George Nauck.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM. Everyone went home (presumably).

Coming Area Events

Oct 8 Club 40 Pylon Race Flying Gators Gainesville

Oct 13~15 Monster Planes USA FTE Lakeland

Oct 15 Tailgate Swap Meet Tri-County R/C DunnellonOc 1 Oct 21~23 Zephyr All Electric Can-Am Flyers Zephyrhills

Oct 22~23 9 IMAC Scale Aerobatics O.F.M.C. Ocala Oct 29 Big Bird Fly-In H.A.M. Brooksville Oct 30 Halloween Fun Fly Sky Pirates Belleview

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Nov 5 11 OTOW Open Fly-In O.T.O.W. Flyers Ocala

Nov 12 8 Fighter Town Fly-In Bay City Flyers Land 'O Lak

Nov 12~13 11 Salute to Vets O.F.M.C. Ocala Nov 19 Club 40 Pylon Race Tri-County R/C Dunnellon

Dec 3 13 Santa Fly-In Tri County R/C Dunnellon

Dec 9~11 12 O'clock High FTE Lakeland

Dec 17 Tailgate Swap Meet H.A.M. Brooksville

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Florida Jets March 1-4

Spring Race Week – "Southern 500" March 16 - 18

> **Sun'n Fun** March 27th – April 1st

> > Easter April 13th

Top Gun May 2 - 6

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