BERNOULLI'S RAG

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Seminole Radio

Control Club

Tallahassee, FL

AMA Charter #216

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12PM - Dusk

HAIL TO THE CHIEF

Judd Curtis the supervisor of the Leon County landfill called me recently asking me for a key to our gate at the entrance of the field. While I dropped off the key he surprised me with a copy of the report for converting the landfill to a park. To start with the best news we are included in this report, it recommends that we be moved to the capped portion of the landfill. This is the location we have discussed for several years and you can see one side of this area by looking across our field towards the northeast.

The capped section of the landfill is approximately 92 acres out of the total area 600 acres for the entire landfill. We will not be getting 92 acres to ourselves the plan calls for Frisbee golf and trails on this loca-

tion also and will probably be additional activities before this plan is finished. During my discussion Judd he told me that his idea was for our flight path to go over the canopy of trees between cap and the lake Lafayette putting us close to the northern edge of the cap.

On Saturday Sam, John, Chris and myself walked around on the cap to get an idea of area but first we did have to sign in at the weigh station. I will bring copies of the map to the meeting so we can discuss the area and what we saw. I would rather not try to get into the details here it will be much easier and more informative at the meeting.

More Chief on page 4.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Our current balances:

Cash - \$30.00 Checking - \$20,998.41 Savings - \$1910.50

Total All Accounts - \$22,938.91

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Seminole Radio Control Club Pizza Box Fly-In

Tallahassee, Florida March 20, 2004

Training Notes

To schedule training time contact Mike Atkinson.

Instructors

Mike Atkinson (Coordinator)
(h) 926-4692
Sebastian Verrier
Ed Budzyna
Jeff Owens
Bob Dee
Sam Varn
Bob Burke
Geoff Lawrence

New Members

555

Welcome!

Events:

Combat- Streamer pulled behind planes, flying within a designated area for 3 minutes. Longest streamer at the end of time is the winner. Three (3) qualifying rounds with one (1) final

Limbo- Classic limbo competition with a twist. In case of a tie for first place, tiebreaker will be performed inverted!

Freestyle- Each contestant will be given 60 seconds from liftoff. Anything goes (within our safety rules)! How much can you impress the judges?

Entry Fee: \$ 10.00 per pilot- includes event registration and lunch (pizza, of course)

Requirements: AMA required. Aircraft <u>must begin</u> as classic pizza box design. Modifications afterward will be allowed. Multiple aircraft for different events will be allowed.

Pilot Meeting: 12:00 noon Competition begins 1:00 PM

Prizes awarded for top finisher in each event

For more information or to purchase a pizza box flyer for \$15 (less radio and engine only): Michael Atkinson H-926-4692 W-656-2200

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BARGAIN BASEMENT

More Bang For Your Buck:

This month, we will focus on frugal management of your radio equipment.

Many people will go out and buy single components as needed for applications, when a one-time purchase can accomplish all of their needs. For example, a basic 4-channel radio system will cost about \$125 - \$135. This includes new transmitter, receiver, switch harness, battery for both receiver and transmitter, and 4 servos. If you are a beginner, or have any interest in training someone in the future, the transmitter can now become a buddy box. Dealing this way, you can get the transmitter nearly free when compared to regularly priced flight pack purchases. Go ahead and by the complete system, save the transmitter to use or sell later.

Typically, Hitec flight packs will run about \$100 plus crystal and Futaba flight packs about \$110 plus crystal. Each month, Servo City puts radio equipment on sale. This month, they have a Futaba flight pack with crystal included for \$99 and free shipping. WWW.ServoCity.com They also have battery packs (you need periodic replacement) and replacement servos on sale this month well below market price.

Why would you need another flight pack? Because of our last recommendation! The Futaba T6EXA is simply unmatched when comparing price versus features. Sure, you can buy a radio with more features. But, how many of us really need them. The T6EXA can typically be found for about \$179. The basic computer functions are all included. In addition, the radio allows you to store up to 6 models into memory. I bought 2 systems (see above- I didn't need the other flight packs, but buying the combo saved a lot of money) on 2 different frequencies. This allows me to put all of my planes, up to 12, on these 2 transmitters. In addition, I bought one high frequency and one low frequency. That way, if I buy a previously owned receiver, I'll only need a crystal to be able to use one of my T6EXA transmitters.

That's it for this month. Please mention your "best buys" to me for inclusion next month.

- Michael Atkinson



T-28 Trojan

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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Club Meeting
Thursday 7:30 PM
March 4, 2004
Grace Lutheran Church
2919 Miccosukee Rd.
Located at the
S.E. Corner of Miccosukee
and Capitol Circle

Hail to the Chief (continued)

On March 16, 2004 at the Woodrun Baptist church the county has arranged for a meeting to discuss this report. This meeting is open to the public. I ask that everyone put this meeting on your schedule and plan to attend. I am unfortunately out of town on business that day on business so Mike Atkinson will be our representative for any questions\discussion with

the County and\or Commissioners. The club will send out an e-mail prior to the meeting with any updates please be on the lookout for this important e-mail.

Hopefully I will be able to answer many of your questions at the meeting but please understand this report is preliminary so nothing is concrete. I do have a positive attitude that we will in the future have a more permanent home for SRCC.

See ya at the field.

If You Flew Like Me ...

The Nylon Bolt Would Be Your Friend.