# The Seminole Flyer



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### **December 2018 Christmas Issue**

### Your New Club Officers for 2019



Jay Wiggins President



Rhett Boudreaux Vice President



Jeff Owens Secretary Club Web Master Flight Instructor



Bill Ashbaker Treasurer Newsletter Editor Flight Instructor

### **Your New Club Officers for 2019**

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Jim Ogorek Safety Officer Flight Instructor



Geoff Lawrence Training Coordinator Flight Instructor



Gordie Meade Field Marshall

### New Specifications for 2019 Pancake Racers

At the December club meeting, our members voted to update specifications for airplanes for our 2019 series of *Pancake* races. The 2019 racing aircraft will be defined by a "class" of aircraft rather than a specific model. Members will be able to enter the races with any model of choice that meet the class specifications.

Here is how the Seminole RC Club *Pancake* Racing Class is defined:

- Model Type: Conventional aircraft configuration, EPP foam model. (No flying wings.)
- Wingspan: Between 0.9 meters and 1.1 meters.
- Motor: Any motor up to 1300kV
- **Battery:** 3S up to 2200 mAh
- **Prop:** 10-inch maximum diameter
- Landing gear: Optional

A good example of this class of aircraft is the 1,000 mm TechOne SU31-II Sukhoi foamie sold by Motion RC and other vendors. President Jay Wiggins contacted them about a volume purchase for the club and was told that this class of aircraft is being updated and improved. The new aircraft will not be available until March.

## **Club Meeting News**

Jeff Owens, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM on Thursday December 20, 2018 by President Jay Wiggins. This was our annual Christmas Dinner and the room was packed with members and guests.

Member Recognition – Jim Ogorek and Joe Satter-white for helping Jay clean out the container; Dave Sellars and Joe Satterwhite for assisting with collecting Bill Rogers aiplane collection for auction (see below); Mike Picou for winning the District III NSRCA Sportman Championship in AMA Pattern; Jeff Owens for winning the Sr. Expert Class at the Senior Pattern Association Masters Competition and for winning the overall annual championship for that class.

**Secretary's Report** – Jeff Owens – The minutes of the November meeting have been posted on the web in the Newsletter. The minutes were approved as posted.

The slate of elected officers consists of the current officers. The slate was approved by acclamation.

**Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer Bill Ashbaker gave the Treasurer's report. The report was approved.

**New Business** – Bill Rogers's collection of aircraft and hobby equipment will be auctioned off at a future date – perhaps the annual Field Opener in March. Details will be posted at a later date.

The "Pancake Racing" name will be carried over for the 2019 racing event, but it was voted that the planes will be selected according to Gordie's proposed rules. Basically, engine, batteries, props, and wingspan will be specified and any model meeting the criteria will be allowed. The details will be posted in the newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

### **Time to Renew Club Membership**

Our 2019 club membership dues should be paid before the end of the year.

All things that keep our field a nice place to fly are paid from membership dues. Dues are our only source of income and provide gas and maintenance for the mower, field repairs and improvements, insurance, electric bills, state and national fees and the list goes on.

Annual dues are: \$60.00 for general membership, \$75.00 for family membership and \$20.00 for junior membership. You may mail a check to the Seminole RC Club at 2509 Napoleon Bonaparte Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32308. Or, you may pay the treasurer at the field or at one of our club meetings.

You may pay with PayPal. To pay:

Log on to PayPal, Click on Money, Click on Send or request money, Click on Send to friends and family, Enter SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com

(If you select any pay option other than "Send to friends and family," the club is charged a fee.)

We hope you will continue your club membership. We have a great hobby filled with fun and relaxation with brief moments of sheer terror thrown in for excitement.

### Let Us Remember

#### Mike Kinsey 1957 — 2018



Michael Burrell Kinsey, Sr, known to his friends and family as "Mike," passed away in his home in the early hours of Friday, Dec. 14, 2018, at the age of 61. Mike was born in Thomasville, Ga. to James and Joan Kinsey of Monticello, Fla. on Sept. 12, 1957, and was the youngest of four children. He moved around in childhood and returned to Monticello as a young adult in 1979. Mike learned his trade of house painting by working with his father as a child and teenager, and alternated between painting houses and driving semi trucks for most of his working life. He owned a successful paint contracting business and had many loyal customers.

Mike enjoyed many hobbies over the course of his life, including fishing, hunting, playing soft-ball, rock-n-roll music, playing drums with his band, Florida State football and flying remote control airplanes with his buddies at the Seminole RC Club. Mike was a member of the Seminole Radio Control Club for more than 15 years. He served as club vice president in 2009 and 2010.

Mike had a passion for music, teaching himself how to play drums when he was a teenager, and enjoyed many years playing with the Florida Border Band, covering classic rock songs and even writing some original music. He enjoyed going to air shows, seeing planes of decades and wars past, building model planes, and in later years, flying remote control planes. When he wasn't spending time at the RC club, you could find him at home enjoying time with his family and spoiling his dog, Korbin, and his granddogs, Krista and Kerrigan.

## **Around the Field**



Our new floatplane runway



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### **Christmas Party Fun:**







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#### Flight Training

Primary flight training is available by appointment on Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm when the weather is nice and not too breezy. Contact the Training Coordinator or one of the instructors to make an <u>appointment</u>:

Geoff Lawrence 850-591-6879 Jeff Owens 850-545-7482 Bill Ashbaker 850-656-5932 Jim Ogorek 850-766-2477 Mike Atkinson 850-251-2694

#### **Field Hours**

Electrics/Sailplanes 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset 7 days/week

Gassers/Nitros 10:00 AM until 30 minutes after sunset except Sunday.

Sunday gasser/nitro flying begins at 12:00 PM. All gassers and nitros must have a suitable muffler.

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