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January 2016 New Year Issue

Great Start Mr President!

The first club meeting of the year was a big hit! Our new president did a great job of putting together an interesting agenda and bringing meaningful information to the attendees.

Speaking of attendees, over a third of our members attended. The meeting room was so full that it caught Beef O'Brady's staff a little off guard compared to the lack-luster meeting attendance over the last two years. However, they rallied and provided good service.

Jay intends to keep the meetings interesting and worthwhile to attend as a hallmark for his presidency. Expect show-and-tells and discussions focused on the needs of our members.

If you were unable to attend this meeting, try for our February 18th meeting. It will be worth your while. There will be at least one controversial issue to discuss. Remember you only get to vote on critical issues that impact you club experience if you attend meetings.

Club Thankful for Generous Donations

Our club recently received some vey nice donations of radio control airplanes and related equipment from Pat Murray and Christie Rice.

Club member Pat Murray and his wife, Barb, recently moved to Bonito Springs. Pat was a club member since 2006. Pat graciously donated his entire collection of RC planes and gear to the club. We are very appreciative. Thank you Pat.

Pat's tastes trended toward big gassers and nitros. Although, he had some electric planes. His collection includes big boxes of building and field gear.

Christie Rice, wife of recently deceased club member Rick Rice, graciously donated Rick's equipment to the club in hopes that somebody will enjoy it as much as Rick did.

At this month's club meeting, we decided to hold a swap meet on Saturday, February 6th, and auction the planes and equipment to club members. We are also inviting club member to bring their own equipment for sale. We



Ed Budzyna displays one of the several airplanes donated by Pat Murray

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courage all club members to drop by and get something new for spring.

Pictures of some of the planes are shown later in this newsletter.

Club Meeting News

Matthew Hendrix, Secretary

Call to Order

President Jay Wiggins called the January 21, 2016 meeting of the Seminole Radio Control Club to order at 1906 EST (7:06 PM Eastern Time)

New member and visitor introductions

• The club welcomed Dave Hardee and his wife at the meeting.

President's Report - Jay Wiggins

2016 Officers & vacancies

- Tristan Seeley is the new Safety Officer, as appointed by the President.
- A big thank you to the outgoing officers and a big welcome to the new officers!

2016 Club Calendar and special sale

- The club plans to auction the donation of planes and accessories from Pat Murray. Volunteers are needed to help coordinate food at the auction, planned for February 6, 2016. The auction will start at 12:00 PM (noon) with an open viewing for testing/inspection starting at 10:00 AM.
- The club will issue a thank you letter to Mr. Murray.
- Major events during busy times at the park will be moved to Sundays as to avoid conflicts, as posted on the current Calendar.

Secretary's Report - Matt Hendrix

Approval of minutes

• The December 17, 2016 meeting minutes were approved as posted in the newsletter.

Election for vacant office (Vice President)

• One-month notice was announced to the club for the election of a new Vice President. Currently Randy Yarborough has accepted a nomination. Other nominations will be allowed up to the voting day. Write-ins will be available on the ballot.

Treasurer's Report - Bill Ashbaker

End of year summary 2015

- Bill presented the 2015 year expenses and cash flow.
- The club currently has 103 members.

2016 membership dues

• Many members have still not paid dues, please remember to pay dues & renew AMA if you intend to fly in 2016.

Upcoming expenses

• Besides field maintenance, there are no major upcoming expenses.

County Liaison Report - Jay Wiggins

Conflicts with track events

• The county will provide better communication on the lead up of events so the club has the proper notice of exactly when the field will not be flyable.

Field flying times

• As published in the October 2015 meeting minutes, the topic of re-evaluating flying times was discussed. The county is in the process of looking in to how the lease can be modified/amended to allow for internal combustion engine flying starting at 10:00AM Monday through Saturday, and 12:00PM (Noon) on Sundays. Discussion was brought up on this issue. The President/Liaison noted that if the lease is modified for the new flying times,

they cannot be put in to place for the club flying field until a 1 month notice to vote is given, and the club vote 55% in favor of the changes.

Safety Officer Report - TBA

Display of membership card while flying required

- Please see the new business section
- There was discussion of the new FAA registrations requirements. It was noted that per the new FAA rules, all UAS weighing between 0.55 lbs and 55 lbs must be registered and the unique number issued must be legibly displayed on the outside; or, inside if tools are not required to open the battery compartment, canopy, etc. Currently, AMA numbers will not satisfy the FAA registration requirement. The Unique identification number must be on or in all UAS by February 19, 2016. Local law enforcement has the authority to enforce the new rules.

Arbor Day – Jan 23rd

• No conflict with field activity expected.

Field marshal Report - Gordie Meade

Organization and volunteers

Upcoming expenses

• The field is due for sanding. The board will organize this process with the county and keep the club members informed on dates/times.

Training Coordinator Report - Geoff Lawrence

Organization and volunteers

- Two trainers are in full operation
- It was noted that foul language was observed during some training when a child was present. Please keep all language at the field PG!

Old Business

New Business

Bylaw Revisions

- The club will vote on two bylaw changes in the February meeting. The first changes language from "recommended" to "required" with regard to producing club identification while at the field. If the vote passes by majority, club identification must be displayed while at the field.
- The second proposed change is concerns meeting location and times. If passed, the meetings shall be held when and where set by and modified by a majority vote of board members.

January 6th Master Plan Report- Jay, Bill, Matt, Russ

• The flying field is not expected to move until approximately 2 years. The county is currently under development of a master plan to utilize the 600 acres of the Apalachee Regional Park. The landfill is closed and under a permitting process to be officially closed and then able to be developed as a recreational park. There are a few good candidates for location of the new runway and pavilion, however nothing has been decided yet. The county and development team were very positive about the club and plan to accommodate us fully. The county will also facilitate the moving of the field.

It was suggested to invite the county to our Opening day event.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by the president @ 2042 EST (8:42 PM). Please contact Jay Wiggins, moonangelb@gmail.com or 850-228-8759 if you have any question, concerns or suggestions regarding the club.

Members and Friends News

In Memoriam

Rick Rice January 23, 1950—January 17, 2016

Rick was born in Massachusetts, but he grew up in South Florida. He battled severe arthritis from age 2. Rick was a gifted artist and taught graphic arts at Lively Tech and later at TCC. He completed his teaching career online at FSU.

Rick was also a gifted musician. He loved music and played the guitar. Rick enjoyed the challenge of flying radio control airplanes and joined the Seminole RC Club in 2010.

Rick Rice passed away peacefully on January 17th and we will miss him.

New Club Members

Please welcome newest junior member Caden Gavagni when you have the opportunity.

2016 Club Dues Are Past Due

2016 club membership dues should be paid before the beginning of the year. If you want to mail a check, send it to:

Bill Ashbaker Seminole Radio Control Club 2509 Napoleon Bonaparte Drive Tallahassee, FL 32308

If you prefer to use PayPal, the dues amount may be slightly higher to cover PayPal fees. If you have sufficient funds in your PayPal account, there is no extra fee. If you use your PayPal account to pay from a credit card account, the due are: \$62.10 for general membership, \$77.55 for family membership and \$21.70 for junior membership.

RC Planes and Equipment for Auction

These photographs show just a sampling of the planes and equipment that was recently donated to our club by Pat Murray and Christie Rice. Most of the planes are gassers and nitros. However, there are some electric models. There are also boxes of building and field equipment. The full collection will be up for auction to club members on Saturday, February 6th, at the field. The planes will be available for close inspection and testing from 10:00 AM until noon. Silent auction bidding will be held from noon until 2:00 PM.

Six of the planes were inspected and here are some comments:

Red Dazzler 3-D

4 stroke Satio engine/ Runs OK a little dirty Corroded on outside Replacement of servo rods needed due to rust and corrosion.

Sky Rader 40

Thundertiger 46 engine 2 stroke Servo functional by moving manually Unable to start

High Speed Plane (model name unknown)

2 Stroke Satio engine (would only run while holding finger over exhaust) Servo condition unknown

Bonanza

Super Tiger engine (Did not run engine due to tightness and a lot of friction) Aired up retracts working properly

Could hear loose material inside fuse of plane and a few dirt dobber nests seen.

GAS PLANE

Unknown condition

Electric Pylon Plane

Has an unknown brushless older motor (Did not run) Servo condition unknown









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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 appointment:

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Field Hours

Electrics/Sailplanes 9:00 AM till 9:00 PM

Gassers/Nitros 12 Noon till Dusk

Electric Service 8:30 AM till 9:15 PM

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