# **The Seminole Flyer**



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# **Member Volunteers Will Shape Our Future**

Our club needs your help. Matthew Hendricks, our secretary, must set up a committee to select candidates for next year's club officers. He needs volunteers for the committee. Randy Yarborough, our vice-president, needs a committee to plan and carry out our *Believe in a Cure* event. He needs volunteers to promote media coverage, help



with food planning and sales, solicit donations from event visitors and plan and judge contests. Our bleachers must be cleaned and our storage container should be cleaned and painted before our big *Believe in a Cure* event. Recently, a small, hard working group of members have handled these types of chores, but we are wearing them out. They need help.

We often worry about our future in a park with ever growing competition for space. The running club has several events each year that draw visitors from surrounding communities and the southeastern U.S. region. This results in economic benefits to Tallahassee and Leon County. If there is a need for more space for future events, who do you think will win?

Our club is bigger and has better facilities than a majority of clubs nationwide. We should make our *Believe in a Cure* event bigger and better organized and reach out to our community. We should plan a real

airshow, get media coverage in advance and solicit donations from the public attendees. We should do it for the benefit of the children we want to help and for the benefit of our club.

Beyond *Believe in a Cure*, we could consider taking the next step and host a regional event, but that would take serious volunteerism. Or, do we just want to fly, let someone else worry about maintaining the field and not worry about the future of our club?? You hold the future in your hands.

# **Club Meeting News**

Matthew Hendrix, Secretary

### Call To Order

President Mike Levine called the July 16, 2015 meeting of the Seminole Radio Control Club to order at 1901 EST (7:01 PM Eastern Time)

Board Members:

Mike Levine - President

Randy Yarborough - Vice President

Matthew Hendrix - Secretary

Bill Ashbaker – Treasurer & Editor

### 2015 Club Calendar

Museum of Florida History Children's day: Jan  $31^{st}$  9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

*Perry Swap meet: Friday March*  $6^{th}$  *and Saturday March*  $7^{th}$ .

Annual field opening, picnic and swap meet: Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup>

Memorial Day weekend warbird meet: Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> of July firecracker fun-fly and contest: Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>.

 $2^{nd}$  annual "Believe in a Cure" fundraiser and fly-in: Sunday October  $4^{th}$ 

Veteran's day picnic and fun-fly: Saturday November 7th

Training calendar: Saturdays 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM or by appointment

#### New member and visitor introductions

- · No new members were present.
- Secretary Report Matthew Hendrix (mhendrix85@gmail.com)
  - The June 18, 2015 minutes were approved as posted in the Newsletter
- Treasurer Report Bill Ashbaker (bill.ashbaker@comcast.net)
  - We currently have 89 total members.
  - · Comments on and requests for articles
  - Fraudulent bank charges have been restored to the SRCC bank account.

· General Upcoming Expenses were discussed.

### Safety Officer Report – Jim Ogorek (jim.ogorek@yahoo.com)

• Heat has been a big concern. Jim reminds everyone to stay hydrated!

#### Field Marshal Report - Gordie Meade

(lmeade@fsu.edu)

- The roof has been inspected and all screws and bolts have been appropriately tightened.
- Purchasing large trash bags and the removal schedule of trash from the field was discussed.
- The patio extension has been completed and looks great!
- Two fans have been ordered and are to be installed on July 17<sup>th</sup>. The fans were installed and have been keeping members cool!
- 15 chairs have been purchased, with spares being stored in the shipping container.
- Pressure washing and painting the storage container was discussed – the club will solicit bids.
   The bleachers needs to be pressure cleaned.
- Thank you Randy for taking care of the field while Gordy has been out of town. The field has been in great condition.

**Training Coordinator Report** – Geoff Lawrence (4knkc@comcast.net)

- · Saturday's 10:00 AM 1:00 PM
- Training equipment update
  - o Jerome has been training on the apprentice. The apprentice is working flawlessly.

### **Old Business**

July 4th firecracker fly-in wrap up. \$184 gross sales (13 meal tickets + 90 raffle tickets + \$3 Charles donation)

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o The fly in was a ton of fun, but was cut a bit short from bad weather. Thank you to everyone who came out and supported the club!

#### **New Business**

- · Install fans
  - o Fans were installed on July 17<sup>th</sup> and are very powerful, keeping the pavilion much cooler in the summer heat.
- · Field and facilities maintenance
  - Pressure washing and painting the pavilion was discussed and bids will be solicited. The bleachers also need to be pressure washed. This will be discussed more in depth in future meetings.
- · Event changes
  - o Registration
    - § Ideas were discussed on not having event registrations any more.
  - o Concession model
    - § Flat entry fee where food is provided to order.

- o Cost of food and menu
- o Frequency and number of events
- o Believe in a cure event
  - § Food, shirt, landing fee.
  - § Reach out to other clubs to attend the event.
- August 15<sup>th</sup> is National Model Aviation Day
  - o Small club event?

### **Next Board meeting**

No August board meeting, the next meeting is TBD.

#### **Next Club meeting**

Thursday August 20<sup>th</sup> 2015 (Beef O' Brady's 1800 Thomasville RD 7:00 PM)

#### Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting @ 1955 EST (7:55 PM Eastern Time). Please contact Mike Levine at south-woodmike@yahoo.com or 860-922-4050 if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions regarding the club.

## **Our Members**

#### **New Member**

Please welcome Ulf Trociewitz when you have the opportunity.

### Note from Dave Sellers

Futaba has just released a new receiver that should be of interest to the guys flying the bigger gas models. It has 18 channels PWM or SBUS. Equally desirable is that it will accept 7.4 volts direct (no regulator required) and uses Dean's connectors.

Here's the link:

TowerHobbies.com | Futaba R7018SB 2.4GHz FASSTest Receiver Dual Battery <<u>http://www3.towerhobbies.com/</u> cgi-bin/wti0001p?&I=LXFFFR&P=7>

### Reminder

We have new fans and chairs in the pavilion. They will last a long time if we take care of them. Please remember to return your chair to the protection of the pavilion when you leave. And, remember to turn off the fans if you are the last person to leave.

# Around the Field . . .

### Firecracker Event Fun:



Not too many folks out in the sun



The rocket's red glare ... Almost



**Ready for battle!** 



Friendly conversation over lunch



Heli excitement courtesy of Tristan



Workin' it!

Around the Field is a monthly collection of member items and activities. Feel free to email photos and comments for publication to SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com

# Around the Field . . .

New Stuff:



Here is our new pavilion patio in the final stages of construction. The patio helps prevent erosion around the pavilion from rain runoff and provides an even surface for chairs.



Our new fans bring welcome relief from summer heat. Just remember to turn them off when you leave.

A special thanks to Joe Satterwhite, Matthew Hendricks, Mike Levine, Bill Ashbaker, Charles Samaha, Randy Yarborough for purchasing and installation.

# Seminole Radio Control Club Tallahassee, Florida

### Officers

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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:

Geoff Lawrence 850-591-6879	Randy Yarborough 850-523-0020
Mike Levine 860-922-4050	Jim Ogorek 850-766-2477
Jeff Owens 850-644-4765	Matthew Hendrix 954-448-2738
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### **Field Hours**

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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