

The Seminole Flyer



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Next Club Meeting

August 18, 2022

The Wine House
1355 Market Street
Eat at 6:00, Meet at 7:00

Gordie's Paver Project

It's been hot these last few weeks, but there has been plenty of activity at the field. You may have noticed a pile of pavers sitting near the east end of the pavilion. These are going to be used in two places. First, Gordie has put a square array of four pavers at one of the pilot stations. Try it out - you may find that it give firmer footing as you stand behind the fence. The plan is to equip the other stations in a similar fashion. The second part of the project is to a row of pavers along the north edge of the pavilion where grass is not growing well. This will help keep the mud under control - when it rains, that is. At any rate, any feedback about the pavers will be welcomed. Just let Gordie or one of the officers know what you think about the pavers.

Independence Day Fun Fly

This year's Independence Day Fun Fly was held on Saturday July 2nd with a good turnout of club members and guests. The rain threatened, but held off allowing a good bit of flying followed by lunch at 11:30. There are pictures provided by Jim Ogorek and Bill Ashbaker starting on the following page. Around 2:00 PM the rain came in effectively ending the event. There was a mad scramble to load up the cars before getting too wet!





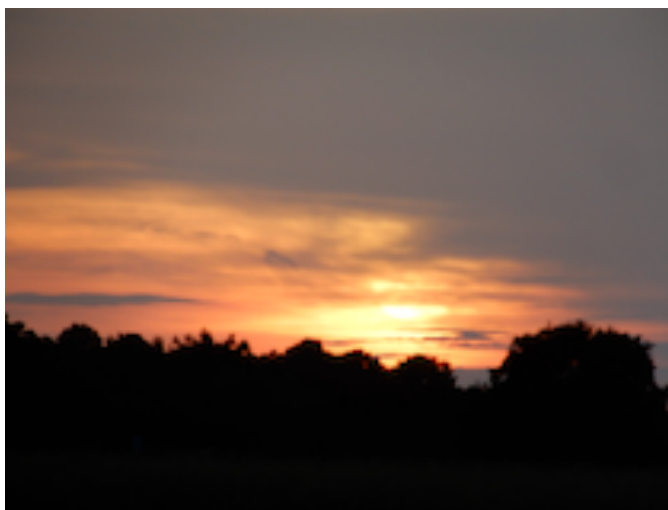
Annual BBQ and Night Fly Event

Our annual BBQ and Night Fly event was held at the field on Thursday July 21, 2022. Although scattered showers occurred around town they had stopped by late in the afternoon and the weather was perfect for the event. The rain showers had cooled things down and the temps were pleasant. Some members arrived early to get in some flying and serious food preparations started around 6:30. President Jay Wiggins had spent the day (some of it in the rain!) preparing pulled pork, smoked chicken, and grilled chicken. Sides of coleslaw, baked beans, and mac and cheese were procured from Sonny's BBQ. Benita and Jay Wiggins and Jim Ogorek handled the serving. Later, Benita served up a bunch of Key Lime pie! I dare say that no one went away hungry!

As in the past, there was a brief business meeting at 6:45 - the minutes are contained in this issue. The highlight of the after dining session was, of course, the night flying. Several members had decked out their craft with internal and/or external LED lighting in a variety of colors. The night flying got underway at dusk - around 8:30. By 9:00 it was a challenge to follow the models, but the lighting was sufficient that all the craft survived.

Good food, good weather, good flying - what more could one want?! That's another successful event in the books. Some pictures from Jim Ogorek are shown below.





AMA News

Here are several items of interest from the latest issue of "AMA This Week."

Did you know that you can print out a copy of your AMA card online? Now there is no need to wait for one to be sent to you. Just log in to your profile page on the AMA web site (modelaircraft.org) and you will see an image of your card that you can print out - handy if you've lost the original or if you need a copy in a hurry!

Some of you may recall that the FAA published rules for Remote ID and that they were scheduled to go into effect in September 2022. Of most importance to our club members is the part that says you do not need Remote ID if you are operating at a FRIA supported by a CBO! Okay, I know that is too many acronyms. Our field is eligible to become an FAA Recognized Identification Area (FRIA) since we are an AMA affiliated club and the AMA is a Community Based Organization (CBO). The fly in the ointment is that the FAA has not started the FRIA process. That's okay, though. It just means nothing is happening yet. AMA intends to do the major part of the FRIA process legwork for us once the process starts. AMA will contact the Club to confirm the information about our field and then will file the paperwork. So that means we can go about business as usual. I will update the Club as I hear more about the process.

Club Meeting News - Jeff Owens, Secretary

This month we held our annual BBQ and Night Fly event. As such, the meeting was very abbreviated.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM on Thursday July 21 by President Jay Wiggins. 31 members and guests were present. A round of introductions of all members and guests was held.

Member Recognition: Jim Ogorek for work on the flag pole (in progress); Gordie Meade for work on the pavers for the pavilion and the pilot stations and for mowing the site; Ed Budzyna for edging and trimming; Jim Ogorek for taking over the making of event flyers; Ken Kushner for emptying the trash; Rhett Boudreaux for getting supplies for our events and for cooking, setting up, and tearing down; All the Officers for all that they do; Sandy Jaffe for efforts to clean the various signs at our site (ongoing); Mike Atkinson and Sam Varn for the signs used to advertise our events; Chris Mason for help with event setup and tear down; Benita Wiggins for helping with the prep and serving for the BBQ and Night Fly event.

Jay presented the 2022 Gold Leader Club certificate to Secretary Jeff Owens for safe keeping.

The June minutes were approved as posted in the June Newsletter.

The May financial report was approved as posted in the June Newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

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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

All Aircraft: 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset 7 days/week

Please note: Although restrictions have been removed on flying hours for fueled planes, this is on a trial basis until further notice from Leon County. All gassers and nitros must have a suitable muffler.