The Seminole Flyer



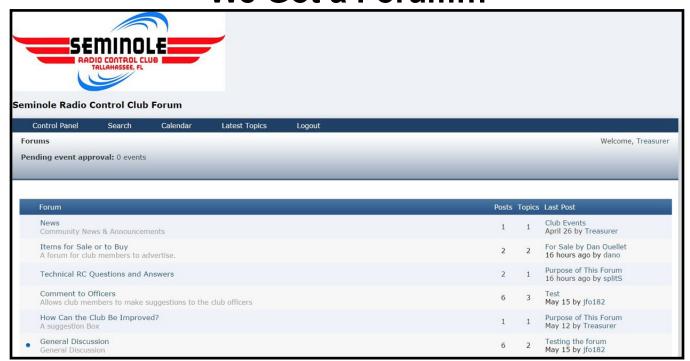
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We Got a Forum!!!



Screen shot of the home page of our Seminole RC Club online forum

That's right! Just like RC Groups, RC Universe and other RC-related Web sites, we have our own forum. The forum was opened on May 12th. Almost a third of our members have registered and are discussing issues, asking questions and advertising items for sale. One member uploaded several nice pictures of our Memorial Day Weekend event. This forum provides an opportunity for club members to have on-line discussions with fellow club members on a variety of topics. It allows members to participate without email inbox clutter that results from "Reply All" which is unwanted by a good portion of our members.

The forum can be accessed from our club Web site

<u>www.seminolerc.com</u> . Click on "SRCC Forum" on the lower left side of the home page.

The forum has a calendar where all of our club meetings and events are posted. All of the school and running club events are posted so we can plan ahead and avoid travelling to the field on a day when we cannot fly.

As you browse the forum, you will discover several categories of discussion. And, more can be added at your request. Each category can be separated into several topics of discussion. Registered members can initiate new topics for discussion under each of the categories.

There are currently seven categories: "News," "General

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Discussion," "For Sale or To Buy," "Technical RC Questions & Answers," "Comments to the Officers," "How Can the Club Be Improved?" and "How Can This Forum Be Improved?"

The "General Discussion" category is for discussions that do not fit into the other, more specific, categories. Feel free to share interesting items with your fellow club members.

List items for sale or that you wish to buy under "For Sale or To Buy." You can even upload pictures!

If you have a problem with your airplane, helicopter, multirotor, radio or whatever, describe your issue under "Technical RC Questions & Answers" and your fellow club members may be able to help.

Take the opportunity to make suggestions or discuss concerns with your club leaders under "Comments to the Officers."

Use "How Can the Club Be Improved" to make suggestions on field improvements, rules, etc.

Use "How Can This Forum Be Improved" to let us know

about difficulties you are having with this site or to propose improvements.

Here are a few hints for your first time. After you enter the forum, click on one of the categories. Then, click on one of the topics. You can read others' comments and click "Reply" to add your own comments. You can also click "New Topic" to start a new discussion thread. Please only create new topics in the appropriate category. For example, avoid starting a discussion on club rules under something like the "For Sale or To Buy" category. To step back to where you started in the forum, click on the desired level at the left-hand center of the page under the horizontal menu ribbon.

You have to register, create a user ID and password and verify your email address to use the site. Do not be concerned. The information you provide is available to the club only. In fact, we already have this information in our club database. So, you are not revealing anything new.

This is the first time we have set up a forum Web site, so, there will be bugs and bumps until we get it ironed out. Please let us know if you have problems so we can fix them.

Club Meeting News

Bill Ashbaker, Treasurer, on Behalf of Matthew Hendrix, Secretary

Call to order

President Mike Levine called the May 21, 2015, meeting of the Seminole Radio Control Club to order at 7:05 PM.

One visitor, Jason Riedle, introduced himself to the group and expressed his interest in joining the club.

Secretary's Report - President Mike Levine on Behalf of Matthew Hendrix

The April 16, 2015, meeting minutes were approved as published in the March club newsletter.

Treasurer's Report - Bill Ashbaker

The club has 87 members.

The current club financial statement is published in this club newsletter.

Cost of our Memorial Day weekend event is our only anticipated May expenditure.

Safety Officer Report - Jim Ogorek

No outstanding safety concerns this month.

The NCAA recognized the regional park as a premium site for running events. We hope this does not encourage more events that may conflict with our club use of the park.

Field Marshal Report - Gordie Meade

The field is in good condition.

Training Officer Report - Geoff Lawrence

Both trainers are ready to go for the Memorial Day weekend event.

Old Business

Our Memorial Day Weekend Warbird Fun-fly is set for Sunday, May 24th, 10:00 AM until dark. Grill open from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. One meal will be free for club members and \$5.00 for non-members. Club shirts and hats will be available for \$15.00 each. Ideas for contests were requested, but none were offered.

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New Business

Members were briefed on the new Seminole RC Club forum.

There has been recent discussion about establishing electronic voting on club issues rather than restricting voting to meeting attendees. Also, there has been discussion about reducing the number of club meetings. President Levine announced that, for the foreseeable future, monthly club meeting will continue and voting will be at meet-

ings. Members will be notified in advance of any significant issues that will be up for vote.

Next Club Meeting

June 18, 2015, at Beef O Brady's, 1800 Thomasville Road, 7:00 pm in meeting room.

Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting at 8:03 PM.

New Members

Please welcome Jerry Pitts when you have the opportunity. Jerry enjoyed learning to fly with Geoff Lawrence at the Memorial Day weekend event.

Around the Field . . .

Memorial Day Weekend Fun:









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

FMS Kawasaki Ki-61 High Speed PNP from Diamond Hobby



Scale looks and a top speed of close to 100 MPH!

An Excerpt from a Review by Ralph Squillace

Wingspan: 39.7" (995mm)

Wing Area: 234.8 sq in (15.15 sq dm)

Weight: 40.91 oz (1160g) Length: 29.21" (742mm)

Construction: Expanded polyolefin airframe and drop tanks; polycarbonate canopy; plastic pilot bust and scale details;

plastic wheels with rubber tires; nylon propeller with plastic spinner

Wing Loading: 0.17 oz/sq in (76.5g/sq dm)

Center/Gravity: 55-60mm behind the leading edge of the wing at the fueslage

Speed Range: Up to 100 MPH (160km/h)

Servos: Four FMS FMS-092 9g metal-geared digital; two FMS FMS-093 9g nylon-geared digital

Transmitter: Airtronics SD-10GS ten-channel spread spectrum aircraft

Receiver: Airtronics/Sanwa RX-861 eight-channel spread spectrum aircraft

Battery: Predator 2600mAh 4S 35C lithium polymer with JST-XH balancing plug and Deans Ultra-Plug compat-

ible power plug

Motor: FMS PAEP 3648 outrunner; 770Kv

Propeller: FMS 10x5.7 three-blade nylon composite

ESC: FMS FMS-DT60 60A programmable brushless

Skill Level: Intermediate/advanced; 14+ years of age

Manufacturer: FMS

Available: Diamond Hobby LLC, 553 Capital Circle SW, Unit 4, Tallahassee, Florida 32304

Price (USD): \$209.99 plus applicable tax and shipping charges

FMS Kawasaki Ki-61 High Speed PNP from Diamond Hobby

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If there's one thing which the good folks at **FMS** have proved in less than a year, it's this: These guys really know how to make an incredible, high-performance, all-EPO WWII warbird.

For their third outing, FMS has gone deep into the history books for a breathtaking rendition of the rarely modeled **Kawasaki Ki-61** fighter. Like the P-40 and P-47 before it, the Ki-61 denotes a real historic aircraft, namely *Red* 62 as flown by Japanese ace Tembico Kobayashi in 1945.

This model packs the same wallop as its hangar mates with its 770Kv outrunner, 60-amp ESC (the other two models sport a 70A unit), three-blade propeller and fourcell li-po power. This combination is more than sufficient to propel the Ki-61 to a top speed of approximately 100 MPH (160km/h). Big, beefy, slop-free ball links add razor-sharp control to that awesome power.

As I'd pointed out in my review of the P-40, FMS has gone from an off-brand manufacturer with so-so quality products to one of the finest brands of EPO electric aircraft on the market in a very short time. The FMS Kawasaki Ki-61 High Speed PNP as designed with input from Diamond Hobby continues the tradition. It's a high quality model with high quality components and it has the extra added attractions of excellent control and insane - but oh so fun - speed. Should one wish to fly at a more sedate clip, the Hien will gladly oblige. This is a warbird which will see a lot of flight time and I give it the most enthusiastic two-thumbs-up I can possibly muster. It's just that great a model!

This is an excerpt from a review by Ralph Squillace. The very detailed review can be viewed in its entirety at: http://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php? t=2398107&skey=41b13d

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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

The Seminole Flyer is a publication of the Seminole Radio Control Club of Tallahassee, Florida. We welcome and encourage items for publishing in *The Seminole Flyer*. Please submit your suggestions to SeminoleRadioControlClub@gmail.com in Word format. Thank You.

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