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Happy Birthday Bob!!!

Our Memorial Day Warbird Fly-in was a very special event in several ways. The most poignant was our club celebration of Bob Burke's 90th birthday. Bob is our most active member. He is at the field almost every day of the year when weather permits. He is always ready to share in good natured give and take. He is loved by all.

It was especially fitting that we celebrated Bob's birthday during Memorial Day weekend.

Bob is a U.S. Navy veteran of the Second World War. He was a Baker First Class stationed on Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands. Bob brought an impressive display of WWII memorabilia to enhance our special Memorial Day event.

Bob may not be the longest active club member, but he



Bob Burke celebrating with family and friends

may be the longest active RC hobbyist in the club. In the 1950s, modelers including Bob Burke, Albert Johnson, Bud Bauer, Warren White and Lester Durden, flew elementary RC and control line models at the construction site where the Tallahassee International Airport would be built. These Tallahassee model pioneers had to find other flying sites as construction on the new airport progressed. Tallahassee's commercial airport moved to its current location from Dale

Mabry Field in 1961. Dale Mabry was a WWII training field that was deeded to the city after the war.

Bob asked that we express a heart-felt thank you from him to all of our members that came together to wish him a Happy Birthday. He was quite touched by the gesture.

More About Our Memorial Day

Many thanks to Vice President Randy Yarborough for his hard work planning and managing one of the best events that we have enjoyed in a long time. Besides celebrating Bob's birthday, we had food, displays of flags, military memorabilia and military planes, equipment sale, static and flying contests with a plethora of prizes and a really good time.

We averaged 44 flyers, but it was impossible to keep up with the true number of participants as people continually arrived and left throughout the day. And, thanks to everyone who brought flags, displays, food and helped Bob eat his birthday cake.



Club Meeting News

Matthew Hendrix, Secretary

Call to Order

President Jay Wiggins called the May 19, 2016 meeting of the Seminole Radio Control Club to order at 1900 EST (7:00 PM Eastern Time)

President's Report - Jay Wiggins

Jay will be away for the month of May-Randy Yarborough VP will be acting president for the month of May

Vice President's Report - Randy Yarborough

Memorial Day Weekend Warbird Meet, Saturday, May 28. Meet will honor veterans with armed forces flags, etc. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be sold but everyone is encouraged to bring a dish. Joe Satterwhite has some very nice items to sell by written bid, 50% going to the club. Other members may bring nice items to sell with a minimum of 10% going to the club. Please no junk. We do not want this to turn into a swap meet and leftover to be thrown out. Fun competition for prizes and also raffle for planes and prizes. *Participant form required so you can be entered in to the contest*.

Memorial Day Weekend Warbird Meet, Saturday, May 28th

- · We are open to suggestions for contests at the event
- · All planes are welcome to fly, not just warbirds.
- · Joe volunteered to help with the Canopy.

Secretary's Report - Matt Hendrix

Approval of minutes

- · March 17, 2016 meeting minutes were approved as posted in the newsletter.
- April 21, 2016 meeting minutes were approved as posted in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report - Bill Ashbaker

- · The club currently has 80 members.
- · Treasurers' report was approved.

County Liaison Report - Randy Yarborough

- · Mylcarp.com online park survey All members are encouraged to go to mylcarp.com and take the survey about the park's usage
- The road has been graded and crushed asphalt added near the entrance. Thanks to the county for helping us out.

Safety Officer Report – Jim Ogorek

- Arming aircraft under the pavilion several safety items were briefly discussed. An email will soon be sent to all members concerning these items to enable all members to be aware of and practice good safety precautions.
 - o This issue is addressed in the bylaws and remember to remove the prop if you're working on an electric airplane under the pavilion that needs to be armed.

- · Fisherman at edge of filed at pond area.
 - New signs will be placed to caution fisherman at the end of the runway.
- · Be aware of ticks, mosquitos, etc.

Training and Old Business - Geoff Lawrence

· We had a great turnout for the Southwoodstock event. Thanks to Ed, Theo, Stefan, Glenn, and everyone else who helped!

New Business

Our chairs continue to slowly go missing from the pavilion. We will try using bicycle locking cables to secure the chairs to the posts. These cables will have combination locks. The combination will be sent to all club members as soon as the system is installed. Labeling chairs. Be kind to others when chairs are scarce. Try not to sit on stacked chairs.

Suggestions were made on the county possibly providing fixed benches in front of the pavilion.

Field Report - Gordie Meade

- · Top sanding of field. Weekly mowing typically on Thursdays.
 - o Sanding has been postponed to next year. Sand can be used to remedy holes in the runway for now.
- · Plaques have been made for the recently passed away members of the club.

Special showing- Theo and Ed showing recent "JOE NALL" event slides.

Thanks to Ed and Theo for the great pictures! Joe Nall was a blast!

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by the vice president @ 1948 EST (7:48 PM). Please contact Randy Yarborough rdyarborough@gmail.com or 850-523-0020 if you have any question, concerns or suggestions regarding the club.

2016 Meeting Calander

All general club meetings will be held the 3rd Thursday of each month, 7PM, at Beef O'Brady's. You are encouraged/welcome to arrive as early as 6PM for food and fellowship. There is NEVER any obligation or pressure to purchase

Around the Field



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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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