
The Seminole Flyer



AMA Chartered Club 216, Founded in 1969



A Gold Leader Club for over ten years

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Next Club Meeting

December 15, 2022

The Wine House
1355 Market Street
Christmas Dinner Meeting

Christmas Dinner Meeting

Jeff Owens

Our annual tradition of a Christmas Dinner Meeting will be on Thursday December 15, 2022 at The Wine House. Having received generous donations from Sam Varn and a second anonymous donor, the food will be free of charge to flying members and their guests. Wine and beer will be available with the costs paid by those ordering it. There will be a very short business meeting at some point for the election of officers for next year. Reservations will be needed. Further information will be sent via email as it becomes available.

Take-off And Grow (TAG) Event

Michael Atkinson

Our final TAG event for 2022, held on Saturday October 29, was probably our best one ever. We had 22 registered introductory pilots, all from the local US Navy Sea Cadets and the Tallahassee School of Science and Math Civil Air Patrol. Many of the kids had parents present, as well. Most of the morning, we had 3-4 trainer planes operating continuously. In addition to Geoff Lawrence, Jim Ogorek, and Jeff Owens helping out with the club trainers, Richard Feezel chipped in with his own personal plane and worked with several of the cadets. Many other club members also helped with various duties, including flight simulator management and battery charging.

Food included “crock pot” hotdogs, chili, and cinnamon rolls. A few parents volunteered to manage the food station, so there were no interruptions in the flying activities. Of the 90 hotdogs cooked, we only had about 10 left at the end of the morning.

Overall, the event was a great success. Our TAG program has been very successful this year. Thank you to everyone for your continued help and support!



Veterans Day Fly-In

Jeff Owens

This year's Fly-In was scheduled for Saturday November 12, 2022, but tropical storm (later hurricane) Nicole had other ideas so the event was postponed one week to November 19. The weather was cool (some would say cold) and cloudy. But that did not prevent our intrepid members from showing up for the event. Ed Budzyna donated a fish cooker to keep hot water supplied for a variety of warming drinks. The food was good, the company was great and some even flew! A good time was had by all who attended! Just look at all the happy (bundled up) folks shown below.





The wind was blowing pretty hard, but you wouldn't know it from these two relaxed flyers!



And yes, Jay, someone still uses the 72 MHz board! That's Dr. Mike's card in there. It is a good thing that we still have it (as required for our Gold Leader Club renewals!)

Election of Club Officers

Jeff Owens

We have a slate of officer candidates: President - Jay Wiggins, Vice-President - Dave Coury, Secretary - Jeff Owens, Treasurer - Marcy Driscoll. Any additional nominations should be sent to me by December 10. There will be a brief meeting at our Christmas Dinner to approve this slate or to hold an election should any further nominations be received by the deadline given above.

Club Meeting News - Jeff Owens, Secretary

The November meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM on Thursday November 17 by President Jay Wiggins with 10 members, 2 guests, and 8 Zoom attendees.

Member Recognition - Recovering and painting tables - Jim Ogorek for the event fliers; Dr. Mike for setting up and running the TAG event; Anonymous donor for the Veterans Day lunch for Veterans; Rhett Boudreaux for serving four years as Vice-President; Jeff Owens for the newsletter and web site.

President's field report - the Leon County lease has been signed. The field was rolled once and will be rolled once more before the roller is returned. Upcoming maintenance items include cleaning the signs on the container (need volunteers) and repainting of the container - Jay did some spot painting, but more peeling can be seen.

Vice-President's report - none

Secretary's report - the minutes of the October were approved as posted in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report - the September report was approved as posted in the newsletter. Dues are due by the end of December.

Training - see the TAG event report elsewhere in this issue.

Safety - a flightline safety zone for pilots and guests will be enforced during events. Signs have been made for this.

Old Business - none

New Business - Plans for the December Christmas meeting were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.

The Seminole R/C Club Tallahassee, FL

Officers

President	Jay Wiggins (moonangelb@gmail.com)
Vice-President	Rhett Boudreaux (geobatch@aol.com)
Secretary	Jeff Owens (jfolso@comcast.net)
Treasurer	Marcy Driscoll (mdriscoll@fsu.edu)
Field Safety Officer	Mike Atkinson (nexnbax1@comcast.net)
Field Marshall	Gordie Meade (lmeade@fsu.edu)
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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

Jeff Owens 850-545-7482

Jim Ogorek 850-766-2477

Mike Atkinson (Tuesday only) 850-251-2694

Troy Emmett (Large Aircraft) 770-546-6199

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.
