## The Seminole Flyer



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## What a Day!!

Club members came out to make our 2014 *Believe in a Cure* event a success. There was an abundance of excellent food thanks to Randy Yarborough and Mike Levine, the field was in beautiful shape thanks to Gordie Meade, there were new table tops in the pavilion thanks to Joe Satterwhite and all of the registration and financial management was in the capable hands of Laurie Levine.

There were prizes galore thanks to Jim and Frank at Diamond Hobby and A Main Hobbies. In fact, there were so many prizes that they were divided into groups by value for raffle. The raffles, food sales and donations amounted to \$1,100. It will all go to the Shands Children's Miracle Network.

A special guest warmed everyone's hearts with his newfound enthusiasm for radio control flight. Marshal Fisher. Marshal flew the trainer and investigated every airplane at the field.

Marshal's mother, Betsy, told Geoff Lawrence how much Marshal enjoyed the day and that's all he's talked since.



Marshall has cancer and he must travel to Shands in Gainesville four days every other week for chemotherapy because there are no pediatric cancer centers or doctors in Tallahassee. The unit he stays in for chemo is part of the Shands Children's Miracle Network. Betsy says they are fabulous and she doesn't know what they would do without them.

All-in-all it was a wonderful day.

## **Club Meeting News**

Randy Yarborough, Secretary

#### Call to order

President Mike Levine called the October 16, 2014, meeting of the Seminole Radio Control Club to order at 7:02 PM

#### Club Calendar

The 2014 club calendar of events is complete.

## Secretary's Report - Randy Yarborough

The September 18, 2014, meeting minutes were approved as published in the September newsletter.

## Treasurer's Report - Bill Ashbaker

The club now has 96 members. 78 are general members, 14 are family members, 3 are associate members and 1 is a junior member.

## **Club Meeting News**

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There are no expenses anticipated for the near future bevond normal field maintenance.

The September club financial report was approved.

## Safety Officer Report - Jim Ogorek

There are no outstanding safety concerns at the field. However, as mentioned in last month's report, crossrunway take-offs should be avoided.

## **Training Officer Report - Geoff Lawrence**

The club training equipment is in good shape. It was used extensively during the recent *Believe in a Cure* event.

## Field Marshal Report - Gordie Meade

The runway is in good shape. There is a convenient new opening in the fence to bring flying equipment to the pit area.

Joe Satterwhite and crew did a great job in repairing the table tops.

#### **Old Business**

The *Believe in a Cure* charity fundraiser and fly-in was a success. In excess of \$1,000 was raised for charity.

#### **New Business**

The motion was made and accepted to donate the proceeds from our 2014 Believe in a Cure event to the University of Florida Health Shands Children's Hospital for specific use with the Shands Children's Miracle Network. The president suggested that a large format presentation check be made so that Marshal Fisher can present it to the

hospital administration during an upcoming visit to Shands in Gainesville.

Nominations for 2015 club officers is now open. The official slate of candidates must be approved in the November club meeting. Randy Yarborough chairs the nomination committee. The final vote for new officers will be held at the December club meeting in accordance with club bylaws.

Jim Ogorek proposed a Veteran's Day fly-in. Members approved a November 9th Veteran's Day Fly-In and Picnic starting at noon. Food will be free to members. Nonmembers can purchase food for \$7.00.

Gordie Meade proposed a \$100 donation to support the FAI F3C helicopter competition team. This team represents the United States in international completion. Members approved the motion.

The president is planning to send out a survey to all club members requesting input on events and special activities we would like to see next year. There will also be a request for suggestions on ways to make club meetings more interesting such as special programs.

#### **Next meeting**

November 20, 2014, at Beef O Brady's, 1800 Thomasville Road, 7:00 pm in meeting room.

### Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting at 7:42 PM.

# Come Out for Our Veteran's Day Fun-Fly and Picnic

There will be a Veteran's Day Fun-Fly and Picnic on Sunday, November 9th, starting at noon. Bring whatever you enjoy flying and have a relaxing afternoon with hot dogs, hamburgers, Bradley's sausages, salads, cool drinks and fellowship.

The training airplane will be up and running.

Food will be free to members and veterans. Non-members can purchase food for \$7.00.

Come out and honor our nation's heroes.



## **FAA Cancels RC Aircraft Guidelines**

The FAA has cancelled the 33-year-old advisory circular that sets out voluntary standards that most radio control model enthusiasts follow and intends to replace it with a new set of enforceable regulations. On Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, Gary Norek, manager of FAA's Airspace Policy and Regulations Group, applied to the agency's Performance, Policy and Records Management office to cancel Advisory Circular (AC) 91-57. The AC was issued in 1981 and was created to give RC hobbyists a framework for our activities. It is a single page document that advised hobbyists to keep their aircraft below 400 feet, not fly them near airports and give right-of-way to full scale aircraft. It became a self-enforced set of standards that the majority of those involved in the hobby voluntarily adhered to through our clubs and organizations. In the modern con-

text, however, those voluntary guidelines also applied to the thousands of people who now fly small unmanned aerial systems (sUAS) for personal use. Therein lays the rub.

The FAA now says the old model airplane guidelines are superseded by a section of federal law contained in the 2012 FAA Modernization and Reform Act which "provides guidance to the model aircraft industry." The difference is the new proposed regulations include enforcement and penalty provisions that allow the FAA to investigate and sanction those who run afoul of the regulations. Apparently, the FAA is planning to issue a new advisory circular to cover hobbyists. Meanwhile, the new proposed regulation are facing at least three lawsuits.

## Around the Field . . .

## Our 2014 Believe in a Cure Event:





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Our Own Wacky Chef

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## **Classified Ads**

Anyone in the club who wants to sell or buy RC equipment, send an email to seminoleradiocontrolclub@gmail.com with a very short description. We prefer a one or two line description: what it is, condition, price, who to contact and email or phone.

#### For Sale

### **Airplanes**

Precision Aerobatics Addiction X, 50 inch wingspan, very good condition, \$350, Robin Driscoll,

850-597-2424, robin.marcy@gmail.com

## **Powerplants**

SAITO FA-82a 4-Stroke Nitro Engine with extras, new in box, \$490, Bill Ashbaker, bill.ashbaker@comcast.net

#### **Electrical Accessories**

Thunder Power LiPo Charger Model TP-1010C, like new, \$40, Bill Ashbaker, bill.ashbaker@comcast.net

## **Field Equipment**

Hobbico Ultra-Tote Plywood Kit, new in box, \$12, Bill Ashbaker, bill.ahbaker@comcast.net

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## **SRCC Officers**

President Mike Levine southwoodmike@yahoo.com

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Field Marshal Gordie Meade <u>Imeade@fsu.edu</u>

Training Coordinator Geoff Lawrence <u>k4nkc@comcast.net</u>

## **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

Bill Ashbaker 850-656-5932

## **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

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