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What A Wonderful Day!!

This year's Believe in a Cure event was a day of fun and generosity couched in one of the first cool fall days of the year. Randy Yarborough set up and prepared the food. Theo Titus collected money for the landing fee, food and raffle tickets. Geoff Lawrence was busy helping new and prospective members with the club trainer. And, club members of-

fered camaraderie and enjoyment.

A special "thank you" is due to Jim Ogorek for donating an FMS LED Firefly airplane for a main prize for the event raffle. The Firefly was a personal donation, not a company donation. Also, Mike Lassiter was able to get Hobbytown to donate some nice items for the raffle.



Geoff and an enthusiastic young pilot at Believe in a Cure

Combining member and club donations, we have \$1,000 to donate to Shands Children's Miracle Network this year. Our local Children's Miracle Network representative, Stephanie Nicholas, will be at our Veteran's Day event to receive our check. Our annual charity event has been a club tradition for over a decade. It is a great way to

The event was a success.

give back to the community. The community has given much to us.

Plan to come out for our Sunday, November 13th, Veteran's Day fun-fly. As always, it will be food, fellowship and flying. Also, we will have guided tours of or new flying site on the landfill.

Club Meeting News

President's Report- Jay Wiggins

Club President Jay Wiggins convened the club meeting at 7:02 PM, October 20, 2016. No new members or visitors were in attendance.

Vice President's Report- Jay Wiggins for Randy Yarborough

Jay thanked Randy and Theo Titus for their hard work organizing and setting up our October 9th *Believe in a Cure* charity event.

A special thank you was extended to Jim Ogorek for donating an FMS LED Firefly airplane for the event raffle. The Firefly was a personal donation, not a company donation.

Also, thanks to the special effort by Mike Lassiter, there were some nice items from Hobbytown for raffle.

Randy is planning our **Veterans Day Fun-Fly** for Sunday, November 13th. Once again, volunteers are needed. Mike Lassiter volunteered to cook, but we need assistance with purchasing the food, setting up, etc.

A special activity will be guided trips to our new proposed flying site on the landfill.

Secretary's Report- Jay Wiggins for Matt Hendrix The **September club meeting minutes** were approved as published in the September club newsletter.

During the next few weeks, a slate of potential **2017 club officers** will be developed for presentation at our November club meeting.

Anyone who would like to serve in any of the positions or suggest prospective candidates please tell Matt Hendrix or any of the other club officers before the November meeting.

Treasurer's Report- Bill Ashbaker

The **September treasurer's report** was approved as posted in this newsletter. Currently, the club has 89 members.

County Liaison Report- Jay Wiggins

Jay has arranged for guided trips to **our future flying site** on top of the landfill. They will be held during our Veteran's Day fun-fly event on Sunday, November 13th. Space is limited. So, email Jay to reserve a space.

Recently, Jay and Bill Ashbaker noticed that **brush was encroaching** on the west side of our landing approach over the pond. Jay notified the county and the bush has been cut back.

Jay will email a new list of **field closure dates** this weekend. Field closures are due to preparation and conduct of cross country running events.

Safety Officer Report- Jay Wiggins for Jim Ogorek No safety issues have been reported.

Training Officer Report- Jay Wiggins for Geoff Lawrence

Our training aircraft were used a good amount of time during our *Believe in a Cure* event. Geoff emailed that both **club trainers** are good to go. The master transmitter for the FMS Trainer may need new AA batteries. They are in the box.

The latest report on **our club friend Marshal** is he continues to make almost weekly trips to Shands, but he is back in school when in Tallahasse. He is making new friends, and planning for his first high school homecoming week activities.

Field Marshal Report- Gordie Meade

The field was mowed Thursday and is in good shape. Gordie announced that he mows at 8:00 AM on Thursdays each week. So, plan your flying schedule accordingly.

The mower needs to have a caster on the mower deck and blades replaced. Gordie will handle the task.

Old Business

Each year, the local chapter of the **Experimental Aircraft Association** (EAA) holds a fly-in (full scale) at the Quincy airport and it is enjoyed by several of our members. Jeff Owens, reported that the fly-in originally scheduled for October 22nd has been postponed until spring.

New Business

After a brief discussion, members voted to add \$240 to the money collected at the *Believe in a Cure* event to total a \$1,000 donation for the Children's Miracle Network.

President Wiggins offered a proposed 2017 club calendar for discussion:

Museum of Florida History Children's Day: January 28 Perry Swap Meet: Friday March 3rd and Saturday, March 4th

Spring Field Opening Fun Fly: Saturday, March 11th Memorial Day Weekend Warbird Meet: Saturday, May 27th

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4th of July Firecracker Fun Fly and Contest: Saturday, July 1st

4th annual "Believe in a Cure" Fundraiser and Fly In: Sunday, October 1st

Veteran's Day Fun Fly: Sunday, November 12th

Keep in mind, this is a draft proposed calendar for discussion. The dates are not final.

The **Museum of Florida History Children's Day** is preparing for their 34th Annual Children's Day on January 28, 2017. As they do each year, they have invited us to participate. We have not committed to this event yet. Our participation is dependent on whether club members volunteer to go represent the club. Let Jay know if you want to volunteer.

There is a change in the way we will get tables for selling our items at the March Southeastern Model Show, aka the **Perry Swap Meet**, this coming year. Theo Titus reserved ten tables for us, but if you want a table, you have to pay for it. The tables are going fast. If you want one, email or call Theo.

Mike Levine asked if members are interested in establishing a club communication system using **texting**. The purpose would be for members to inquire if anyone is at the field when they are thinking about going out to fly. Flying with someone is always safer than flying alone. Mike will research this option and report back next meeting.

The club **Christmas party** was discussed. At this time, it appears that it will be held at the December club meeting as usual.

Program

The originally scheduled trim and setup for **3D flying** presentation by Faith and Troy Emmett was delayed until the November meeting due to a schedule conflict.

Gordie Meade stepped up and made a brief presentation on his role in the AMA **National RC Helicopter Championships**, aka the Nats. While Gordie has competed in the past, this year he participated as a judge. He is qualified to judge 3-D (F3N) and precision (F3C) maneuvers at both the national and world (FAI) levels. He plans to participate in the FAI World Championships in Poland next summer.

Adjournment

President Wiggins adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM. Please contact Jay Wiggins, moonangelb@gmail.com or 850-228-8759 if you have any question, concerns or suggestions regarding the club.

Around the Field



Who ya' gonna' call?!





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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 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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