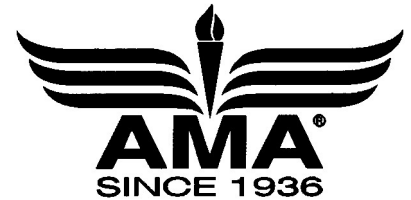


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Bronze, Silver & Gold Winners



President Jay congratulates the 2018 Pancake Race champions. First place Gordie Meade (top), second place Jay Wiggins (above left) and Ed Budzyna (above right)

Club Meeting News

By Geoff Lawrence on behalf of Jeff Owens, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by President Jay Wiggins.

Returning Club member Ray Humphreys was recognized.

Member Recognitions:

Thanks to Theo Titus for directing the pancake races, the pancakes, hot dogs, pylons and more.

Thank you Benita Wiggins for the professional leader board.

Thanks to Dan Ouellet for cooking and the prizes.

As always, thank you Gordie Meade for the flying field mowing and maintenance.

Thank you in advance, Frank Bastos, for the donations of raffle prizes for the "Believe in a Cure" event.

Betsy Fisher has donated two of Marshal's airplanes for the event. One member will be adding another.

President's Comments:

Our club's lease expires on February 28, 2019. Because a new lease has to go before the county commission, a lengthy process, Jay is initiating talks with Leigh Davis to start the process.

VP's Report:

We need a number of volunteers for the *Believe in a Cure* and the Veterans Day Fun Fly events.

Needed are cooks, (Jay will grocery shop), people to manage the raffle items, sign in, take money, etc.

Secretary's Report:

There was a question about the August meeting minutes. Approval of the minutes was tabled until next month.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer left the August financial statement at home. The report will be published in the newsletter and approval will be tabled until next month.

This year's donation to Children's Miracle Network will consist of the gross proceeds of our *Believe in a Cure* event. We will not supplement the donation from the club treasury.

Safety Officer's Report:

No incidents. Be aware of many runners on the cross-country track this time of year, especially early morning.

Training Officer's Report:

Both trainers are in the container and ready for use. Batteries just checked.

Field Marshall's Report:

Field was just mowed. Currently mowing twice a week. County has been mowing surrounding fields every two weeks

Old Business:

Draft of Calendar Year 2019 club events presented.

Motion was made and approved to send a request to the county for three additional dates for special events.

Events and dates to be determined.

Discussion of changes to our yearly charity were tabled.

New Business:

There was a healthy discussion of future pylon racing type events. The decision was made to limit the events to all the same aircraft and propulsion, no open classes.

Members should bring ideas for a new standard racing aircraft for next year to the next meeting for discussion.

Some suggestions were: Pancakes again, ParkZone T-28, FMS T-28, a wacky flat foamie and others.

Show and Tell:

Jim Ogorek showed an inexpensive servo reverser from Amazon and a neat small deflection gauge.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

It's Time to "Believe in a Cure"

The Seminole Radio Control Club has a long history of giving to our community. We hold one special event each fall to benefit a charity close to our members' hearts and our community. This event is *Believe in a Cure* and will be held on Sunday, October 7.

Member and friends participation in this event is more important this year than ever. In recent years, the club voted to supplement *Believe in a Cure* day revenue with money from our club treasury for our charity donation. This year, we voted to not supplement event revenue from our club treasury due to limited club revenue and increasing costs. So, it is important that the event produce substantial revenue this year.

The event promises to be a day of fun, flying, food and fellowship and it is all for charity. Some very nice merchandise will be raffled. Plan to attend and fly whatever you want. The event is open to the public. Invite your friends and neighbors. We expect some out of town pilot participation due to outreach to other clubs by Theo Titus.

Members are welcome to bring RC items for sale to the event. Members should donate 10% of sale proceeds (\$15 maximum) to the charity for personal items sold.

There will be a \$10.00 pilot fee. Because this is a charity event, all pilots who participate are expected to pay the fee even if they do not fly. Also, this is an AMA sanctioned event. So, all pilots must show their AMA cards.

Food will be available starting at 11:30 AM for \$5.00. All fee, food and raffle proceeds will go to the Shands Children's Miracle Network (CMN) as agreed by our membership.

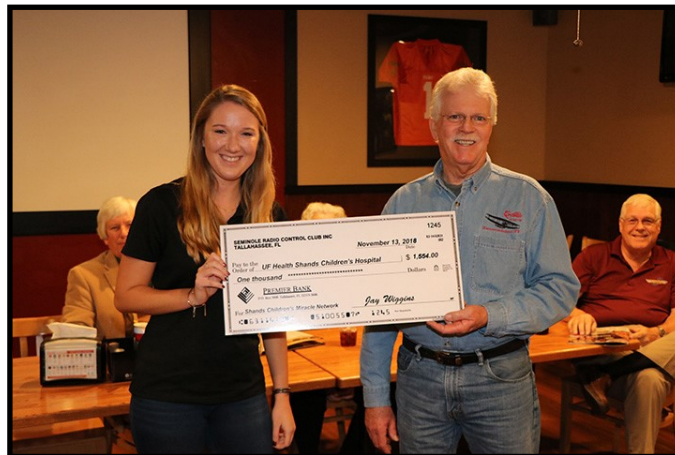
Children's Miracle Network Hospitals® raise funds for 170 children's hospitals across North America, which, in turn, use the money where it is needed most. When a donation is given, it stays in the community ensuring every dollar helps local kids.

Right now, CMN Hospitals like UF Health Shands Children's Hospital are working to save the lives of area kids. In fact, 62 children enter a CMN Hospital for treatment every minute—that's one child every second. Some are battling cancer. Some are suffering a traumatic injury. Others require constant care because they were born too early. Regardless of why the kids are there, these CMN Hospitals always have their doors open.

Because every last dollar contributed to Children's Miracle Network stays local, your generous support will help the patients at UF Health Shands Children's Hospital. Dollars raised in CMN events, campaigns, programs and initiatives fund the purchasing of life-saving medical equipment, pediatric research and patient education materials. Last fiscal year, more than 8,200 clinical and emergency visits at UF Health were from patients in our local areas.

Club members came out to make our 2016 *Believe in a Cure* event a big success. Let's do it again this year!

— Information on the CMN provided by Uni-



Last December, Geoff Lawrence presented our 2017 donation check to Kristina Potter for the Children's Miracle Network

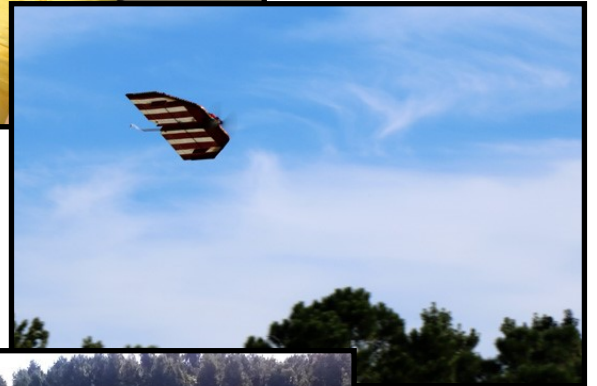
Around the Field — Final Pancake Race Day



Ed and Jay are ready!



The excitement was electrifying!



Rhett and Michelle keeping score



Good looking photographer!



Thanks to Theo for all of his hard work over the past few months organizing and managing the races



Dan carefully watching the gourmet dogs

The Pancake Finale

Last Saturday saw the final races of our current pancake race series. The races were fun and exciting and now we have the final results. Gordie Meade is the overall winner of the four-event series. Gordie was recognized as grand champion and awarded a ceremonial box of pancake mix, maple syrup and a set of customized airplane wheel chocks.

Our president, Jay Wiggins, placed second in the overall series and was awarded pancake mix, maple syrup and a custom-made set of aircraft covering strippers. Third place went to Ed Budzyna, who also received a bottle of maple syrup and a box of pancake mix.

The club is grateful to Theo Titus for initiating this club project, designing the concept and rules, ordering and managing delivery of the airplane kits and officiating at the races. Thanks also goes to Dan Ouellet it for crafting the wheel chocks and covering strippers for prizes. Dan also did an outstanding job of manning the hot dog cooker for Saturday's event.

The races were dubbed "pancake races" because the Foaminator aircraft are essentially flat pieces of foam with motors and controls attached. Members could not help but get into the spirit of things and the first set of heats last June was kicked off with a fantastic pancake and sausage breakfast provided by Joe and Debbie Satterwhite. Many of our members enjoyed these events both as participants and spectators. The general feeling is that we should continue these types of events in the future. This series of pancake races have been a tremendous success based on participation, enjoyment and support.

We all should recognize the patience and skill displayed by the participants of the races in not only learning to fly the somewhat unstable aircraft, but also flying them with precision around the course in competition. However, the general feeling is that we should choose a different style of aircraft for future events that is easier to fly. The airplane we choose should be inexpensive, a fast build, not too fast and have a real airfoil.

In the last issue of this newsletter, we requested recommendations from members. The right side of this page shows a few of the recommendations so far. So many different aircraft were recommended that there is no easy choice. Members decided that we should devote a portion of our October club meeting to receive additional recommendations, discuss the benefits and shortcomings of each and pick one for our 2019 standard.

Plan to attend our October 18th club meeting and support your choice.



44" Parkzone T-28 \$150



32" FMS T-28 \$99



32" Crack Yak \$177



50" FMS Easy Trainer \$130



35" Piaget 2 \$88



35" Popwing \$89

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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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