# The Seminole Flyer



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#### **Next Club Meeting**

October 20, 2022

The Wine House 1355 Market Street Eat at 6:00, Meet at 7:00



On the weekend of September 10-11 I drove up to Johnson City Tennessee for a pattern contest hosted by the Johnson City Radio Controllers. They have a nice field with a great view of the surrounding country side. Of particular note is the fact that they have a full size T33 jet on static display off to one side of their runway! The picture above shows us gathered around the jet for the traditional group photo before we started flying. That's a rather unique addition to a model airfield!

#### **Hinge Problems**

Jay Wiggins forwarded me a document that discusses problems that may be encountered with hinges on ARF models - they are not always as substantial as one might hope. The document was "read only" so I could not reformat it to fit in the newsletter. You can find the link to the article in the "Do It Yourself" section of the Club web site. Follow the guidelines in that article and the plane you save may be your own!

#### **Pylon Racing is Back!**

The second half of the Pylon Racing season is about to start! You can see the full schedule of races on the Club's website under the Events section. As a reminder, here are the specifications for the aircraft and systems.

Equipment Requirements for Seminole RC Pylon Racing Fall 2022 Season

The following equipment is required for pylon racing in Fall 2022. No substitutions or modifications are allowed. Construction must be "out of the box" (that is, no stiffening or reinforcement; no cutouts or modification of fuselage, wings, elevator, rudder, ESC, or battery; no substitution of hardware or wiring; painting the plane is permitted).

All airplane parts are available from Value Hobby unless otherwise noted\*.

Any plane in the list below is acceptable. All are \$48 each, made of 15mm EPP, and essentially the same dimensions and weight.

39-inch Aurora39-inch Red Eagle Prime39-inch Red Eagle Hummer (currently out of stock)39-inch Sbach 342

Towerpro SG92R 9G Micro servos, \$3.50 ea. GFORCE E400 Brushless Outrunner Motor, 2830-1250kv, \$13.00 GFORCE 30A Brushless ESC, \$8.50

9x7.5 APC Electric Propeller (available from several sources, incl. Esprit Model, AMain Hobby, MotionRC) 3S 2200 battery, maximum 40C continuous discharge (brand at the discretion of the flyer) **PLEASE NOTE**: Planes raced in previous seasons are eligible if they are brought into compliance with the

above requirements.

All planes will be inspected at the beginning of the season with spot checks occurring thereafter to assure compliance.

\*Prices and availability as of 8/26/22



The above picture shows a group of determined pylon racers at their practice session on September 3. No doubt they were all making use of the tips and techniques that Friedrich Mursch (second from the left) presented at the August Club meeting!

# **Upcoming Events**

Sat 9/17 - Pylon Racing (see the full schedule on the Events page on our web site.)

Fri 9/23 and Tues 9/27 - Night Flying Events. Fly as late as midnight. Let Jay know if you participate as we want to get an accurate headcount to judge the popularity of these events.

Fri 9/30 - Leon County Parks Employees appreciation lunch at 12:00. This is also a TAG event (Teach and Grow training.)

Sat 10/1 - CMN Fundraiser (see below.)

Sat 10/29 TAG Event for the Navy Sea Cadets.

#### **Children's Miracle Network Fundraiser**

Our traditional fall fundraiser for the Children's Miracle network will take place on Saturday October 1, 2022. The flier below is from the SRCC Facebook thanks to Jim Ogorek.



Club Meeting News - Jeff Owens, Secretary

The September meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM on Thursday September 15 by President Jay Wiggins with 11 members, 1 guest, and 3 (later 6) Zoom attendees.

Member Recognition - Tommy Lee - removed old safety fencing; Jim Bussey - parking signage; Troy Emmitt - Donated a plane and support equipment for the CMN raffle, donated funds matching the total pilot registration for the CMN event; Marcy Driscoll and Troy Emmitt for their work on the Pylon Racing series; Friedrich and Claudia Mursch for the great meeting place and the excellent food; Jim Ogorek - new windsock and event publicity; Theo Titus - new flag and halyard; Family of Tom Wright (former member) for donations for the CMN auction.

President's field report - the field is looking good, the South Parking area is growing in well, the field will be rolled sometime in November.

Vice-President;'s report - none

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

Treasurer's Report - the report was approved as posted in the newsletter.

Club Membership - Marcy Driscoll - we are growing! There were 88 flying members and 16 Associate members at the end of August. Today there are 94 flying members and 14 Associate members. 21 members have joined in 2022 thus far.

Night Flying Events - due to the popularity of the July night flying event two more have been scheduled for Friday 9/23 and Tuesday 9/27. Members can fly until midnight! Those who participate should let Jay know so we can get an accurate headcount with which to judge the popularity of such events.

Field Report - Gordie Meade - table tops will be repaired/replaced on Tuesday 9/20 at 10:00. This includes painting. Come on out and help if you can. Bring an electric screwdriver if you have one.

Gate Protocol - don't let anyone in after you. Wait and let the gate close so that there are no unauthorized people coming in.

No New or Old Business. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM.

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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.