# The Seminole Flyer



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# Believe In A Cure 2014 Fly-In

The Seminole Radio Control Club's annual charity event is only twelve days away. On Saturday, October 4 there will be flying from 9 AM 'till dusk, raffles of merchandise from diamond hobby and a main hobbies, a swap meet, food and fun. Bring anything you want to fly . . . airplanes, helicopters, multi-rotors and big gassers. This event is advertised in Model Aviation. So, we can expect flyers from other regional clubs to join us.

Because this is for charity, there will be a landing fee of \$10 or you can have food and fly for \$15. Food for non-flyers will be \$7. All proceeds will go to charity.

If you want to sell something in the swap meet, be sure to bring a folding table for your merchandise.

Come out and join the fun. It's for a good cause.

## AMA Gold Leader Club Award

The Academy of Model Aeronautics recognized the Seminole Radio Control Club with the prestigious Gold Leader Club Five Year Award. Thanks to the diligence of Jeff Owens, our club has met all of the required criteria to maintain Gold Leader Club status for over five years.

There are three levels of AMA leader club status, bronze, silver and gold. A club must satisfy 15 criteria related to

club governance and community service in order to be eligible for gold leader club status.

Thank you to Jeff and congratulations to us for this notable achievement. The AMA provided some nice patches for our members that can be sewn on our shirts or hats or whatever to recognize this award. If you would like one, see Jeff.

# **Club Meeting News**

Randy Yarborough, Secretary

#### Call to order

President Mike Levine called the September 18, 2014, meeting of the Seminole Radio Control Club to order at 7:01 PM. New club member Jim McKinnell and his wife Deborah were introduced.

#### Club Calendar

The only 2014 event remaining on the club calendar is the "Believe in a Cure" fundraiser fly-in and swap meet scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Secretary's Report - Randy Yarborough

The August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting minutes were approved as published in the August newsletter.

#### Treasurer's Report - Bill Ashbaker

The club now has 93 members. 75 are general members, 14 are family members, 3 are associate members and 1 is a junior member.

The only anticipated expenses are for food and minor repairs to the pavilion for the October fly-in.

The July club financial report was approved.

#### Safety Officer Report - Jim Ogorek

It is tempting, especially when there is a crosswind from the east, but pilots should not do cross-runway take-offs. Cross-runway take-offs cause potential conflicts with aircraft flying the traffic pattern established for the day (north to south or south to north depending on the wind).

The county has requested that we be vigilant about not overflying the football fields and parking areas in the front of the park. The new parking areas are much closer to the south end of our field that we realize. If you are a little long when circling the pond for a landing, you are probably over the parking area. There was a recent complaint about a low-flying aircraft over the parking area. We do not need this.

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

Geoff will be in Florence (Italy, not Alabama) over the next couple of weeks. Randy Yarborough has the trainer aircraft if any of the trainers need it or if someone needs instruction. We certainly hope Geoff returns with an improved level of sophistication after being exposed to all of that old world culture.

#### Field Marshal Report - Gordie Meade

The runway is in good shape. Ant mounds around the pavilion and wasp nests in the pavilion are a concern. Be

careful! Some appropriate insecticides are being purchased.

Joe Satterwhite and crew will be repairing pavilion table tops before the fly-in.

#### **Old Business**

The "Believe in a Cure" charity fundraiser and fly-in is scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup>. Club members and visiting public will be the primary sources of charity funds. There will be a \$10 landing fee for flyers. Food will be available for \$7.00 for non-flyers. A combo fee for flyers is \$15.00 for flying and food. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

#### **New Business**

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 such as special programs to make club meetings more interesting.

It is time to start thinking about new officers for next year. Who do you want to nominate?

#### **Next meeting**

October 16th, 2014, at Beef O Brady's, 1800 Thomasville Road, 7:00 pm in meeting room.

#### Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting at 7:39 PM.

### **New Members**

Two new members recently joined the club. Please welcome Steve Slade (By the way, he likes to be called "Slade.") and Jim McKinnell when you get the chance.

Also, welcome back Tom Whitworth and Chad Curry.

### **Anyone for Float Plane Flying??**

Geoff Lawrence is asking whether anyone is interested a electric float plane fly-in at his home in the near future. The fly-in would be restricted to electric only due to neighbors that Geoff wants to keep as friends. Anyone interested, please let Geoff know. This can be a fun informal fall event.

### New Owner at HobbyTown USA

Mike Broadbent purchased the HobbyTown store from Frank. Mike comes from the Pensacola HobbyTown store, so he is familiar with what RC pilots want. Mike has been very busy adding new inventory and more is on the way. He plans to have the store fully stocked in the near future.

The store carries Diamond Hobby products and he is offering a 10% discount to club members for Diamond products. You need to ask for the discount.

Drop by and say hello to Mike.

# **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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### **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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