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## CLUB MEETING

This months meeting will be held on Thursday March 10th from 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m..

*at PUD #3* 

At 3rd & Cota

Eric Oberg has stepped down as President and the Board has appointed Tom Strom Sr. and Eric Ide as co-presidents. Starting in March they will be leading the club

#### **Old Business:**

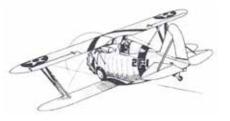
Swap meet date has been confirmed, April 16th. It was asked if Hunters had been paid yet, Chuck said he will get out there next week. (This was done)

#### New Business:

Gordie Osberg suggested we get out to the new spot at Hunters in the next few weeks to check it out and decide what needs to be done. Jody Diaz will go also. Dick Robb noted that there will be a couple of extra Tables in his group of tables at Monroe and invited anyone in the club to take advantage if they are so inclined. Burt turned the meeting over to Tom/Eric at 7:40

Tom Strom asked if there were any questions about the dual presidency and said they didn't want to take over the club. Tom also said they have some questions for the club. He has written a letter to the Port as a prospective business and home owner.

Tom brought up the FAA 's new proposal which is to not allow modeling within 25 miles of an active airport. We need to be aware of what's going on and be



responsible about our responses. When the process is done we need to contact our representatives.

Tom noted that with the FAA new rules we will not be flying at Sanderson Field after 2013 and we need to find a permanent field. Eric Ide said the reason the both volunteered for the Presidency is that they are both busy but one of them would always be available and both would be at meetings when possible. They were asked to choose which one would lead when both were present.

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Dick Robb mentioned the swap McMinnville on the 12th of March.

Adjourned at 7:52

We have set the date for our 17th annual Swap meet. It will be held on April 16th in the Shelton High School Sub. The contract has been signed with the school and once we get the dated Insurance form we'll be all set.

This year our swap meet will feature the stuff from the Bowcutt estate, the extra funds this generates will go towards moving the grass field to the other side of the current field where the cows are never pastured.

# Engines/Kits for Sale

The engines and kits will NOT be at the meeting this month but are still available. Prices are \$20 for .30 and above and \$15 for .25 and below. New engines and kit with prices as marked.

## **Used engines**

Cox .049

OS Max 10 OS Max III 15 (2) OS FP 20 OS Max 20 (3) OS FP 25 OS Max 25 OS Max 25 OS Max S 30 OS SF 40 OS FP 40 (6) OS LA 40 (1)

Thunder Tiger 15

ASP 46 Royal 46 GMS 2000 47 (2)

K&B 40 K&B 61 K&B boat motor (90)?

Fox Eagle 60 Fox 78 Enya 60 2C

# New Engines OS 20 FP OS 40 LA OS 40 FP OS Max 50 OS FS 75 4C ......\$150 Enya 46-4C II .....\$150 MDS 40 Cox tee dee .010.....\$100

## Kits

Sig Clipped wing Cub Sig Beach Bonanza		56" 64"	Kit Kit	\$70.00 \$80.00
Sterling PT-19		48"	Kit	\$100.00
Great Planes CAP-232	Partially completed	40 size	Kit	\$50.00
ThunderTiger Windstar	Glider		ARF	\$75.00
Dumas Boats "Windy"	Boat		Kit	\$20.00
Simcoe Sopwith PUP	no plans	67.5"	Kit	\$15.00
Playboy Senior			Kit	\$45.00
GLH II wingset	(foam) poor shape	32.5	Kit	\$10.00

# Internet Friend or Foe

Frank Geisler, Chairman Leader Member Program Development Committee

Many new people have joined the information revolution by purchasing personal computers for a variety of reasons. Whatever the reason, they soon realized there is a great big world out there called the World Wide Web (WWW). To them I say welcome to the WWW and I'm glad to see you here. Of course there is another group of folks that have been "surfing" the Internet for many years now and are professionals at finding things that even Google has a tough time tracking down. From the brand new guy to the "old hat," we all know one thing about the Internet: there is a ton of information available to us just by clicking the mouse or by typing a few letters in a search block. There is more information out there than any of us will ever have time to read or see in our lifetime.

As most of us know, not all that you see or read on the internet is true or accurate. Some will laugh at that, but the fact is that many believe what they read on the internet is true. One look at some of the sites that debunk urban legends will tell us that there is a plethora of misinformation floating out there in the WWW. Which brings me to the point of this article: is the Internet our friend or foe when it comes to model aviation and the Academy? I would like to submit to you that it can be both at times, but overall, the Internet can definitely be our friend when we come to realize what we can do with it to help promote model aviation and the Academy on a daily basis. Never before have we been able to touch so many people in such a short amount of time. All it takes is a little effort on our part to submit ideas and/or concerns to your club webmaster, your district webmaster, or even send an e-mail to the other LMs in your district or DVP. You have the ability to let many people know what you think very quickly. Communication is very important and the Internet is a quick and easy way to share with others.

An excellent way to share your thoughts and ideas as well as to help others in our sport is through the use of RC forums. RC forums have become very popular these days since they allow users to share thoughts, photos, videos, tips, and advice with thousands of people across the US and the world in a matter of seconds. Some of the popular RC forums have many thousands of members with millions of posts in them. Just think of all the positive influence you could have when using those forums to help promote the Academy and the sport of model aviation.

I mentioned the AMA forum in my first Leader to Leader article which is another forum that is growing more and more each day. As of last count they have topped more than 1,800 members and the number keeps growing. I encourage you to have a look and sign up when you can. We certainly welcome you to share your knowledge and experience, and who knows, you might even learn a thing or two also.

Unfortunately this deluge of information and the ability to buy product online is reducing the positive impact of the local hobby shop (LHS) that we have all enjoyed over the years. At one time, your source for information and modeling equipment, tools, and aircraft parts all came from your LHS where you would meet up with friends and talk aeromodeling and learn all about the latest gadgets and kits on the market today. There you would find the store's owner or employees guiding modelers in the right

direction on what to buy, how to fly, and anything else in between. They would let you know where to fly, which usually meant your local AMA chartered club where newcomers would learn about the AMA and how to safely fly their new airplane without the crashes involved with teaching yourself how to fly. Many times, hooking up with a club and meeting new people turned into lifelong friendships. These opportunities are slowly fading as stores are closing or switching their emphasis to something other than model aviation. What a loss to modelers of all experience levels and interests! You could encourage new modelers to balance their input between the Internet and the LHS so that they get the best of both worlds by broadening the input to the new modeler and perhaps saving the LHS from extinction.

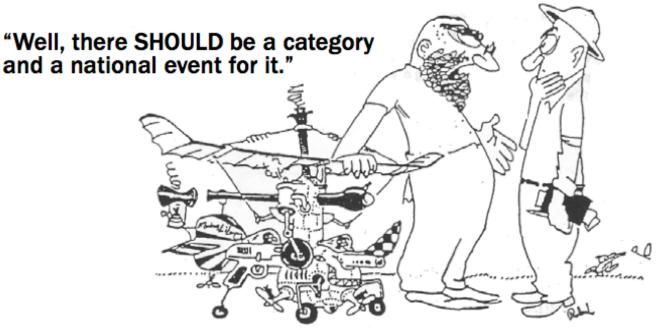
Beyond encouraging your club members to shop at your LHS, I also suggest that you as LMs get involved with your favorite modeling forum and help with new folks coming into this sport. Provide them with guidance to get them off on the right foot and, when questions about the AMA come up, you will be there to give them accurate information rather than them trying to sort through the tons of posts that have inaccurate or distorted views of the AMA.

Those newcomers need help and who better to help than LMs with their experience and background? Let's use the WWW to our advantage to inspire and teach newcomers to our sport and promote the Academy and model aviation. I look forward to seeing you on the WWW whether on the forums or via e-mail; I appreciate any time you may give sharing your knowledge and wisdom.

# New Bill Denies FAA regulation of Model airplanes

Model Airplanes Regulation Amendment

The U.S. Senate adopted S. Amdt. 86 by unanimous consent. This amendment denies the FAA the ability to regulate model airplanes. President of Academy of Model Aeronautics Dave Mathewson voiced his support and said, "On behalf of our 140,000 members I want to thank Senator Inhofe for helping to preserve model aviation. Aeromodeling is an exceptional family recreational and educational activity that has traditionally been a stepping stone for our children to careers in aviation and aerospace. With the Senator's help we hope model aviation will continue to help provide that impetus for future generations of engineers, pilots, and astronauts."



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00p RC Board meeting	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	7:00p SFRCF Meeting	11	12 Closed runway
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 wws.cc
20	21	22	23	24	25	<b>26</b>
27	28	29	30	31		

Weekends in March are pretty busy. This may change, so be sure to check the Events page on our website. <u>http://sfrcf.quintex.com/event/events.html</u>

## Club Scheduled Events for 2010

Event dates in black are scheduled. Events in gray are complete.

Our schedule is much reduced this year thanks to the new contract, any club fly-ins will most likely be held at the grass field.

January 1st	First fly of the year
April 16th	Sanderson Field RC flyers annual swap meet 9:00 to 12:00 SHS Sub
-	Pylon Race APRA/428/Q-40
July 23rd & 24th	Pylon Race APRA/428/Q-40
August 20st-21st	Pylon Race North vs South- Locked
September 24th &25th.	Pylon Race APRA/428/Q-40 - PROPS Championship
December 8th	Christmas Party

#### It's time for 2011 dues, dues are \$100.00

Check out our web site at <u>http://sfrcf.quintex.com</u>

