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## Presidents Message

Greetings Sundancers, I apologize to all who came for the May meeting, I was away and there were not enough officers present to hold a meeting. The permit for the new field has been approved and things are moving forward.

Well that's about it for now, should be lots to talk about at the next meeting so make sure you are there.

Your President

Next meeting July 3,2010  
11:00am Midway

## May Report Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Gang By George White

I'm pleased to report that our elder statesman, Larry Olsen, is back to normal since his eye repair. He had a problem in one eye that necessitated injecting a medicine in the eyeball and then having to lie face down for 16 hours a day so the medicine bubble could repair the damage. Well, it's done now and he's back flying and getting his depth perception back, so modern medicine is sure doing some good things!!

Paul Teitel is always one to provide some interesting events and this one is with a .40 size "Wild Thing" he found damaged under our canopy (somebody's junk). Paul did a good job of repairing this plane and it flew really good for one flight, a fast airplane. So, while Paul was making some trim adjustments to the plane, he gave his channel frequency card to Jim Youngblood, who was sharing the frequency. Unfortunately, since Paul is older, like the rest of us, he forgot he didn't have the frequency pin and decided to fly again after making the trim adjustments. He started it up, Ralph Brockhaus carried it out to the flight line and Paul prepared to take off. About this time Jim Youngblood was ready to make his plane ready for a flight and turned on his transmitter. Paul's plane was just starting a take-off roll and proceeded to go crazy. It did a short taxi, bumped the fence, turned a 360 degree turn and took off going east for about 100 yards and it crashed on the ground in a 3-bag mess. No damage to any body or any thing except a destroyed plane; however, it was thrilling for a short while. Message - If you give up your frequency card, put your transmitter in the car and lock it!!

Another reason for 2.4 GHZ transmitters!

Keep it up!!

## The Blackwell Field News

By Joe Duvall

Float flying has been somewhat hampered at Blackwell the last few months. During the fall and winter, the area dried out to the point where we had many different places to fly from. You could pick and choose the best spot depending on the wind, the sun and pilot preferences. We were definitely spoiled by these options and enjoyed them immensely. You could drive between the two lakes and fly east to west and have no problem dealing with the sun. One time Dave and I flew from the east side of the lake facing west. How good is that!

I guess in January or February, we had some really heavy rains for a week or two that turned Blackwell into two large long lakes instead of four smaller ones and the ground was a little squishy under the shoes in a lot of otherwise solid ground. As it's drying out over the next months, we walked out between the lakes to check it out. We didn't sink, so maybe a car wouldn't sink either. I suggested Dave should try it because he has AAA road service and I don't. You know what happened next... I'm pushing and he's backing up and we made it out without a call to Triple A. We learned our lesson though, "hey Don, you want to drive your Prius out there to see if it's ok to park there?"

We've been doing a lot of flying there in spite of these conditions. We had about 12 or 15 flyers on Saturday, the 22 of May with all kinds of planes flying. The wind has been coming up by 9 or so and it get's a little choppy on the lake, but what fun would that be, if conditions were perfect all the time. We'd get bored and buy more planes and stuff. Dave always calls me before Saturday to see what the wind is going to be like in the morning because he knows I check it out on "Weatherunderground". Lately my predictions haven't been that accurate so he might has well check with "howtheheckshouldIknow.com"

I'm hearing good news about the new field. I hope they're true.

Joe Duvall

## **Board of directors meeting 4/15/10**

Members present , Ray Ingram, Vinney Guiffrie, John Wikoff, Charlie Fisher.

At this meeting it was passed by vote to hold a swap meet on the last Saturday of May making it the 29<sup>th</sup> of the month. I have sent notification to all surrounding clubs and if you hear of any missed please advise them. Thank You.

We also scheduled a fun fly for June 12<sup>th</sup> a list of events will be posted.

And lastly a Big Bird Fly in for the weekend of the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October.

May 1<sup>st</sup> was to have been the next scheduled meeting but unfortunately not enough officers showed up for a quorum and for this we apologize to those that waited until after 11:00 AM on that day. The next meeting of the full membership will be July 3<sup>rd</sup>. We should decide before hand if we should move this time as it is a holiday weekend.

It was decided that I Ray Ingram will apply for a contest directors permit and I have done so. Hopefully I answered all the questions correctly.

It was also decided to wave the late fee dropping. Also dropping the initiation fee for rejoining, within a year, until the end of February and this will require a vote of the membership.

The financial report was given and accepted. Work is now moving along on the new field.

Vounteers for any event will be greatly appreciated and can sign up with me. Send me an e-mail with name and phone # please and which event you would like to serve on.

Motion made to adjourn and accepted.

Ray Ingram  
Secretary of the Sundancers

# The Snowbird



Great Planes Reactor

I didn't get a chance to fly the Reactor at Midway so I couldn't show it off.

The Reactor is a "60" sized plane with a wingspan of 60 inches and a fuselage length of about 56 inches and is powered by a 4,000 MAH , 22.2 volt ( six cell ) Li-Poly battery feeding an 85 amp controller all going to run a big electric motor made by Scorpion with the end results turning an APC 14x7E prop.

The output of that combination has the power of a four cycle 70 sized fueled engine and because the plane was built with electric in mind and very light for it's size would actually fly out of my hand if I had the guts to even try it.

So far I have left the CG alone and the plane is a bit nose heavy so it needs a touch of rudder for straight knife edges and low rudder rate gets me well into a knife edge loop but I haven't gone to high rates yet. Again it's a matter of new plane and stomach.

Why am I talking electric? If you might remember, I donated part of a finger to the propeller gods this past winter while helping a fellow pilot get his fueller running right and stuck my finger in the prop. My wife convinced me that adjusting a carb on a running engine was a losing proposition

so I cleared my hanger of all the "wet" planes I had in Florida and bought the Reactor and all the equipment needed to go full time into flying bigger / nicer electrics and ,so far, it's been a great ride.

Talking about losing part of a finger. I sent to the Academy of Model Aeronautics for information about possible help in paying the medical bills and found out that they would surely help even if it is a self inflicted injury like mine. That's the good part. The bad part? How about a \$750 dollar deductible. Bummer. I have Blue Shield / Blue Cross and Medicare which paid most of the bill ( over \$1900 )so it was not all that costly to me personally. The moral of this tale? Don't get injured, self inflicted or otherwise.

I'm still flying the T-28 electric foamy and it's got a bunch of flights on it and it's a great flier.



Two years ago at the Warbird rally it was pretty windy one of the days and a few "hanger queens" weren't flying and Jerry Wickline and Budd Inzielo brought out their Parkzone T-28's and flew them with no problems.

Naturally, I went and asked about the plane and got all the information I needed and ordered one from Horizon Hobby and a few days later I had the T-28 and all I had to do was charge the battery and go fly. Actually, for the first flight, the battery had a nice charge already so I didn't even have to do that. One complaint. The plane flies in a pretty good wind but won't taxi. It flips over and you have to walk out and get it.

Jack DeLisle

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**Walt Swentzell** - **465-4454** - Foam wing cores. Make wing kits. Model repairs too.

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Hats \$15.00 Adjustable size

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**For Sale Matt Pancari 772-521-6933**

**Ultra Sport 40 as pictured without electronics or engine \$175**



**Also several "Wild Things" Call**



**SUN DANCERS RADIO CONTROL CLUB, INC.**

**Membership Application**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

AMA Number \_\_\_\_\_ IMAA Number \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ (Former if retired)

First Name for Membership Badge \_\_\_\_\_

Family Membership(List familymembers names below)

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ AMA No. \_\_\_\_\_

Child \_\_\_\_\_ AMA No. \_\_\_\_\_

Child \_\_\_\_\_ AMA No. \_\_\_\_\_

List radio control transmitter frequencies (channel numbers) that you will be using on a regular basis

The 2010 calendar year membership dues are as follows: Full Member \$100, Family \$115 (Full member, Spouse & Junior age children), and Junior \$25 (less than nineteen years of age before July 1<sup>st</sup>) After June 30th all dues are half price for new members. Those initially joining the club after September 30<sup>th</sup> may pay dues for the full year and be entitled to membership for the balance of the year and all of the following year.

New members must pay a one time initiation fee of \$25. Junior members are exempt from the initiation fee.

Memberships expire December 31<sup>st</sup>. Members have a grace period for renewal until January 31<sup>st</sup>, after which a \$25 late fee is required to renew the membership.

ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR 2010 AMA MEMBERSHIP CARD to this application along with a check payable to Sun Dancers R/C Club for the membership dues. Send or deliver to Sundancers Membership Chairman Ken Bridges, 9639 Fairwood Court, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_