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Next Meeting – April 10, 2003 at 7:00pm - Clear Lake Park Bldg.

March 2003 Meeting Minutes

By: *Mike Goza, JSCRCC Secretary*

The Meeting started at 7:22pm 3/13/2003

Old Business:

Herman reported on the asphalt filler. It is \$6/11 lbs. We should only need about 6 cans to fill the areas around the yellow boxes.

Preston and Don have paint sprayers to use for the field stripping this Saturday.

Herman and Don will buy the paint and bring it to the field.

The field cleanup day has been moved to the Saturday following the April meeting due to weather. The field needs to dry out from the wet weather.

Don and Charlie attempted to fix the field box. The buddy box transmitter was full of water and will therefore be trashed.

New Business:

Mike Liabile brought to our attention that the water bottles need to be replaced due to deterioration. This is based on information from JSC.

Mike also mentioned that the lost web site material may be on the old server and it would be nice to get it back even if we have to pay a small fee. Mike will check his backups and other sources to see if it can be recovered. Up to \$100 has been allocated to get the data back from the ISP if needed.

Model of the Month (MOM):

Mike Liabile brought an ARF Magic Extra from ModelTech. It uses a Thunder Tiger .38 for power. He also brought in some parts to his Moraine Saulner. It is painted with latex using a brush. He showed rivets made using Elmer's glue and panel line techniques.



Don White won MOM with a .049-powered Dollie Air SAM competition aircraft. It is set up for a duration competition. All models use the same size motor and must be an antique design. It is covered with Oracover. He also showed a very cool Dremel attachment. It is a set of LEDs that mount onto the tip of the Dremel tool. It gets its power from a spinning magnet mounted on the collet.



Don White with his Model of the Month

Ray Randolph brought a Pizza Box Flier. It is made from coroplast. It is a corrugated plastic material mainly used in temporary signs. A Webra .28 motor powers it. He uses a header tank to keep the CG from changing drastically during flight.



Entertainment:

James Hornsby brought a video on balsa molding. The technique is similar to fiberglass molding, but is done with balsa sheets.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 pm

Club Shirts and Hats for Sale

By: Holly Boyle

The club still has some club hats and shirts for sale so get one before they run out. Hats are \$10, T-shirts are \$15, blue golf shirt \$26 and with a pocket \$31. All items are available at the club meetings.

Flying Truisms (cont'd from last month)

By: Brian Morris

Without ammunition the USAF would be just another expensive flying club.

What is the similarity between air traffic controllers and pilots? If a pilot screws up, the pilot dies; If ATC screws up, the pilot dies.

Never trade luck for skill.

A smooth landing is mostly luck; two in a row is all luck; three in a row is a lie.

Flashlights are tubular metal containers kept in a flight bag for the purpose of storing dead batteries.

When a flight is proceeding incredibly well, something was forgotten.

Just remember, if you crash because of weather, your funeral will be held on a sunny day.

A pilot who doesn't have any fear probably isn't flying his plane to its maximum. (Jon McBride, astronaut)

If you're faced with a forced landing, fly the thing as far into the crash as possible. (Bob Hoover - renowned aerobatic and North American Aviation test pilot)

Though I Fly Through the Valley of Death I Shall Fear No Evil For I Am at 80,000 Feet and Climbing. (Sign over the entrance to the SR-71 operating location in Kadana, Japan).

You've never been lost until you've been lost at Mach 3. (Paul F. Crickmore - SR-71 test pilot)

There is no reason to fly through a thunderstorm in peacetime. (Sign over squadron ops desk at Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ, 1970.)

Upcoming Events

By: Editor

4/12-13/03-Crosby TX Prop-Nuts Annual Flea Market & Fly In. Contact Taswall Crowson, CD, at 281-474-9531 for more information.

5/17/03-Hockley, TX 3d Annual All Purpose Fly In. Contact Stuart Rush (CD) at 281-7879567.

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