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The News Letter of the Manned Space Center Radio Control Club

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## President's Corner

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Charles Copeland

Hey Gang! If you were unfortunate enough to miss the Bomber Field B-17 and Big Bird Fly-In last weekend you missed a spectacular event. This year there were not as many bombers as last year, but the turn out of other big birds was very impressive. When the time came to line up all of the airplanes on the 600 ft. runway for all of the spectators to view, it took two rows to get all of the planes to fit. Five B-17's were presented for judging and the top score went to Bill Stevens for his newly completed Westcraft B-17 finished as Memphis Belle. Bill's Fortress showed incredible attention to detail, complete with highly detailed machine guns, a rotating top turret, dummy engines, and complete cockpit interior. Doug Greer did an outstanding job of coordinating the static judging this year. Doug and all of the judges worked hard to judge all of the planes accurately and fairly.

Here are some upcoming events that you should definitely check-out:

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## Words From the VP

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Jerry Hajek

First off, I would like to thank all those who came out to participate in the September Multi-Task Glider Fun Fly. Thanks also goes to Bob Lawson and Don White who helped as pylon judges for the distance event. Isaac at Hobby Center donated the second and third place prizes which were a Top Flite heat gun and a roll of Monokote which could be exchanged for \$10 of goodies in his store. Thanks again Isaac.

The distance event was new for most of us and a lot of fun for all of us. I think we'll keep this event and try adding a speed event for the next Multi-Task Fun Fly. The first timers to the glider event were met with good lift. Almost everyone got a chance to see their plane in a thermal and watch it float up instead of down for a change. Lift was sometimes too good as most of my last flight was flown with the spoilers up so I would not exceed the time limit. Mike Goza gave the most impressive flight of the day flying a led-sled electric that flew better with

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## Minutes from the September 1991 Meeting

David A. Fennen

Charles Copeland called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

### Old Business:

The Auction will take place Oct. 10 and the doors will open at 5:30 pm. Bidding will begin at 7:00 pm. Aircraft related items only will be auctioned. David Dale printed and handed out flyers.

### New Business:

HAMCI meeting summary was given by Ed Copeland.

Charlie Stephens campaign for District VIII VP was discussed.

Interference at the field...

- Maverick flyers?
- Meteorite Shower?
- Do we need a Scanner?

### Treasurer's Report:

143.00 In  
867.00 Out  
2648.00 Previous Balance  
1924.00 New Balance

### Entertainment:

Charles Copeland gave a very informative talk on scale competition.

## Helpful Hints

Submitted by David Dale

**DENTS IN YOUR FRAMEWORK?** If you tend to pick up dents in your airplane's balsa airframe while building and sanding, you might want to try this: with a small paintbrush, wet the dented area with plain water. Place a hot iron over the wet area or blow on it with a heat gun. The dent will usually swell back out as you watch. A quick pass with 220 grit or so sandpaper will remove any fuzz raised and the dent is reduced to a memory. It sure beats using filler and will repair amazingly large dents. Sorry, it won't work where heavy-handed sanding took too much wood off.

## Contest Results

				
FUN FLY GLIDER CONTEST				
SEPTEMBER 1991				
NAME	8 MIN ADD-EM-UP	DISTANCE	EVENT NO. 3	TOTAL
JERRY HAJEK	1000	635	-	1635
DREW VICKERS	946	461	-	1407
DARREL MCGREGOR	923	78	-	1001
MIKE GOZA	-	1000	-	1000
SHARON GOZA	486	-	-	486
JENNIFER RASNIC	40	-	-	40

 I'D RATHER BE SOARING 

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Oct 5-6 - Giant Warbird Gathering at Texas City. Call Joe Maiorka, 713-337-3473, for details.

Oct 12-13 - Sunshine Kids Fly-In for Big Birds, at Prop Nuts Field, Highlands, Texas. A very worthy cause! Call R. Obenberger, 713-943-1867, for information.

Oct 18-20 - George Meyer Memorial Fly In. North Lakes Park, Irving, Texas. Prizes awarded for static judging. For more information call Dennis Cassat, 214-424-1171.

## *Nominations*

As I mentioned at last month's meeting, we need to be thinking about nominations for club officers. So far, David Dale is the only person that has expressed an interest in serving as club president. I think David would make an outstanding club president. David is active in several local RC clubs and is very tuned-in to the local RC community. David has contributed significantly to our club this year, supporting club activities and volunteering for various duties including organizing our upcoming club auction. Please consider David Dale for club president.

## *Auction*

Don't forget, the annual club auction will be held during our regular club meeting, Thursday, October 10. We will begin accepting items at 5:30.

## *Club Fun Fly*

This month will be our last club fun fly before the top fun fly meister will be crowned. The events will be Touch and Go, Roops, and Triple Dixie Death, so start practicing. The rules are as follows:

Touch and Go - as many as you can do in 2 minutes.

Roops - Take off, perform a roll followed by a loop, five times and land. Each roll and each loop must begin and end on the same heading, and must complete the full 360 deg. before beginning the next maneuver.

Triple Dixie Death - Take off, perform three loops, three rolls, one touch and go, three loops, three rolls, one touch and go, three loops, three rolls and land. Each loop and each roll must begin and end on the same heading, and must complete the full 360 deg. before beginning the next maneuver.

Get out and practice those maneuvers, and I'll see you Sunday, October 13, 1:00 pm.



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the motor off than with it on and logging 1300 meters in distance. The most innovative attempt at the event was Jennifer Rasnic flying a RC parachuter dropped from a helicopter. Unfortunately the parachutist broke an arm on the first flight and was rushed to the hospital (work bench). Like I said many times before, ANYTHING that can fly power off can fly the glider fun flies.

### *Elections*

Remember the election of club officers is just around the corner. The members get a lot from the club thru their officers and now is the time when you can give something back to the club. Get your name in or the names of those you would like to see as an officer.

## **Fuel for Sale**

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Jim Brock 334-1715  
John Campo 488-7748  
Charles Copeland 532-1570  
Tas Crowson 474-9531  
Don Fisher 474-4942(H) 483-2157(W)  
Don White 488-1024  
Wayne Green 484-3151

### *New Editors*

You might notice a change in the looks of the news letter. Since we lost our editor I couldn't let us go without some sort of news letter. Sorry but I have no fancy desk top publishing software. I import text files into Auto CAD template drawings I made to emulate the old news letter format. Hope you like it. In the future, please submit all of your articles to me two weeks before the monthly meeting. Special thanks to my wife Bernie for volunteering to type and proof our news letter. Good flying and see you at the field!

Jerry Hajek

## **Instructors**

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John Campo 488-7748  
Charles Copeland 532-1570  
Paul Ellis 480-3839(H) 780-6602(W)  
David Fennen 557-5866  
Don Fisher 474-4942(H) 483-2157(W)  
Mike Goza (Heli and Airplane)  
554-4016(H) 483-4696(W)  
Jerry Hajek 486-4722(H) 246-4472(W)  
David Hoffman 476-5206(H) 479-1945(W)  
David Thomasson 471-0642  
Wayne Green (Heli) 484-3151

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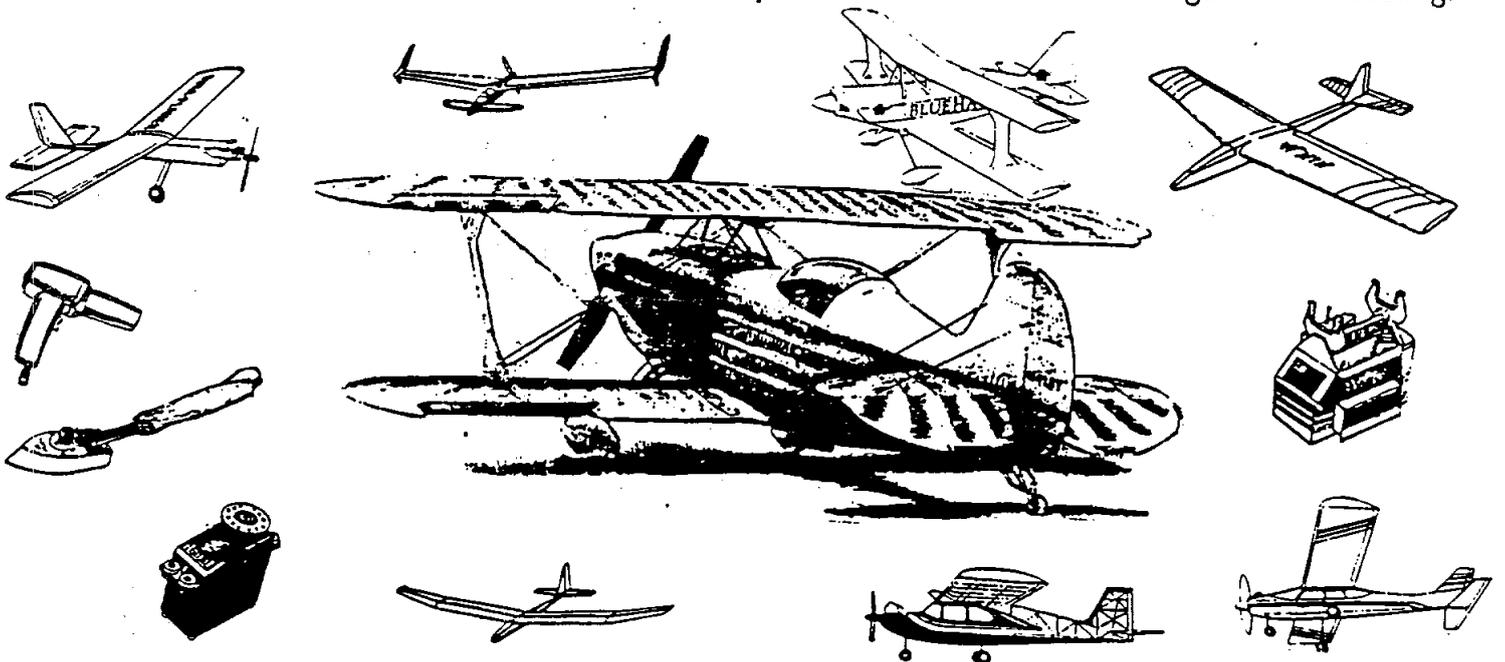
# 1991 R/C AUCTION

Craig York, Auctioneer

Thursday October 10, 1991

Clear Lake Park Meeting Room 5001 NASA Rd 1  
Doors Open at 6:00 PM Bidding Starts at 7:00 PM  
Building Closes at 10:00 PM

Bring your old, your new, your weary and tired to the auction. Sell what you no longer want, need, have interest or room for. Take home a new project. You may find radio controlled airplanes, helicopters, gliders, cars, plans, engines, accessories- even free flight, control line and plastic models. Bidders pay just one dollar for a bidding number, sellers pay a dollar for each lot to be auctioned. Don't miss this once a year event with the best bargains in modeling.



Due to the increasing size of the auction, please limit your merchandise to aircraft and aircraft related items.

Directions: Take I-45 South, exit NASA RD 1 and go east over freeway. Stay on NASA RD 1 past HWY 3 and the Nassau Bay Hilton. As you pass Clear Lake you will see Clear Lake Park. The Meeting Room is on the right just past the boat ramp and picnic area. Turn into the parking lot at the traffic light.

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## Pop-Up Carts for Sale

Do you get tired of carrying your planes and gear from the parking lot to the field? is your right arm now longer than your left? Don't carry it. Cart it.

Dave Hoffman has located the distributors of those handy Pop-Up Carts. They fold down flat and pop up when your ready to roll.

Dave can get the carts in small lots for about \$24.00 (list is \$36). Contact Dave if your interested. This price may not last long.