



JAN 2015

GENERAL CLUB INFORMATION

NEXT CLUB MEETING
Thursday, January 15, 2015,
7 -9 pm

Thursday, at Niceville
Church of Christ

UPCOMING EVENTS
GLIDER SOCIAL - 1st SUNDAY
OF EVERY MONTH

April 18-19, 2015 AMA Pattern
Contest Rob Campbell

2015 CLUB OFFICERS

President: Phil Conner (850) 217-5526
Vice President: Victor Diaz (404) 263-7674
Treasurer: Robert Pacheco
Secretary: Ron Van Putte 243- 0207
Member at Large: Paul Doman

Message from the President By Phil Conner

Hello Everyone;
A new year has dawned and with it hope for a better year than 2014. With all my troubles last year I am not looking back. Now is the time to take stock of your hanger and get out there and fly. Make some goals to get better at some aspect of our hobby, whatever it may be. To do that will take practice and lots of it. The board and I this year, plan on helping you do just that as much as possible. I want to start some teaching clinics on different subjects this year to make your time at the field more fun, the purchases you make better suited to what you want and how to tie all of that together when you are airborne. Here is a short list of what we want to teach, Electric Power Systems, Glow Engine Tuning, Engine sizing for a particular aircraft, Aerobatics and Advanced Aerobatics. We plan on much more as time and weather allow. No bookwork if possible but actual hands-on teaching and practice. This will make it more fun and allow you to maximize your investment. So, dust off those old aircraft that haven't flown in a while, bring'em on out and get'em airborne! See you at the field.
Phil Conner

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Christmas Banquet/ Meeting Minutes 9 December 2014

By Ron Van Putte



The meeting was called to order by the president, Phil Conner, at the Azteca Restaurant in Crestview.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved as published in the December BEAM.

The treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

The 2015 slate of officers were voted in: President Phil Conner

Vice President Victor Diaz

Secretary Ron Van Putte

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The proposals to change the Bylaws were approved, changing the annual dues from \$25 to \$40, the late dues payment penalty from \$5 to \$10 and the Snowbird fees from \$2.50/month to \$10/quarter. Also changed was the club meeting date from the third Tuesday to the third Thursday.

The Model of the Year winner was Paul Doman.

Goodies were distributed to club members and wives/significant others.

Ron Van Putte

Recognition Model-of-the-Year By Rob Campbell



Paul Doman Won Model of the Year

January 4, 2015 Don Hollfelder Memorial Sunday Glider Social

by Craig Deyerle

The forecast was for overcast skies, temperatures reaching 50 by noon, and winds at 8 mph from NE going to East. That is what we had, although the winds abated as the morning progressed. It was decidedly cool, but did warm up a bit by noon. We set out the club winch and Mark Owens' winch with the turn-arounds out to the north, crowding the West side of the tree line, and angled back toward the edge of the runway. That gave us a cross-wind, but it was better than the very short launch height we would have been able to obtain by seeing the turn-around to the East of the tree line. Your author was worried about lift, but on a practice launch with the Buzzard at 0900, I made just over five minutes. I should have put it on the score sheet as I only exceeded that once for the rest of the day. Only six pilots braved the cold (it really wasn't that bad) to fly.

I forgot the score sheet, but we made one up and Lance launched into the grey sky. Lance ambled off to the East-Northeast and found small, very small areas of light lift. It was hard to follow it downwind as the lift seemed to be

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very unstructured. He worked pocket to pocket and, of course, maxed. Buddy Bradley launched second and showed that he was one with his Xplorer. He had a booming zoom launch, flew off to the East, and was also able to max. Jim Hartley launched his V-tail Xplorer and also had a booming zoom launch which was perhaps 20 feet in height less than Buddy. He also worked East, and also maxed. Craig launched all day in front of Mark because that is how the timing duties worked out. He worked East, flew through lift, and failed to recognize it, despite Lance's urging. He then tried to turn tight enough to stay in it, and either was too late making the turn, or couldn't keep the tight turn radius. Bottom line is the airplane only flew for 3:30. Mark Owens followed Craig and was sure that Craig stirred up all the lift. He didn't make 3 minutes. Jerry Baxter then launched his 4-meter Xplorer, worked East, and found not a whole lot.

In the following rounds the first three to fly consistently out-flew the second three to fly. Jerry picked it up in rounds four and five, but it wasn't enough to break into the top three. Again, the Xplorers proved themselves to be very good all-around aircraft. They can speed up, they can float, and they can penetrate.

The club winch performed well. The only issue was a lost launch ring, which appeared to come untied. We need to make a run to obtain more rings, swivels, and clips. The battery is back in Craig's garage being charged after today's events.

Rounds 1 & 2.

Name	Aircraft	Round 1				Round 2			
		min	sec	land	score	min	sec	land	score
Lance Ropke	Xplorer 3.8 X2	7	0	91	511	6	57	0	417
Buddy Bradley	Xplorer 3.8 X1	6	47	78	485	6	59	77	496
Jim Hartley	Xplorer 3.8 X2 V	6	52	67	479	5	47	0	347
Jerry Baxter	Xplorer 4.0 X1	4	43	91	374	3	58	89	327
Mark Owens	Bubble Dancer	2	57	77	254	3	40	17	237
Craig Deyerle	Buzzard	3	37	11	228	4	9	81	330

Rounds 3 & 4.

Name	Round 3				Round 4			
	min	sec	land	score	min	sec	land	score
Lance Ropke	6	59	21	440	6	56	83	499
Buddy Bradley	7	9	67	478	6	55	92	507
Jim Hartley	7	4	85	501	6	36	90	486
Jerry Baxter	5	20	89	409	7	5	84	499
Mark Owens	5	56	72	428	5	38	48	386
Craig Deyerle	4	27	81	348	6	7	96	463

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Round 5

Name	Round 5				Total	Place	Flight Time
	min	sec	land	score			(sec)
Lance Ropke	5	48	82	430	2297	2	2102
Buddy Bradley	7	9	75	486	2452	1	2138
Jim Hartley	6	15	92	467	2280	3	2038
Jerry Baxter	7	3	93	510	2119	4	1766
Mark Owens	6	57	58	475	1780	5	1566
Craig Deyerle	4	16	43	299	1668	6	1399

EAM 2015 Building Contest

By Gene Barnes

Purpose: To promote aero modeling of all forms and recognize excellent craftsmanship

Categories:

Scratch Build

Kit Build

Repair/restoration

Control line to RC

How is this different from model of the month:

The building contest is a one time per year event (Nov) and while models should be flight-capable, they do not have to be flown prior to the contest

Rules:

- When complete, the model should be flyable (RC, gas/electric powered, glider, free flight, rubber powered)
- The model should represent a significant building/restoration effort
- Kits with varying degrees of fabrication are acceptable (new ARF kits not allowed)

- Repairs include significant damage to major structural elements (post-crash restored AFRs OK)
- Restorations should involve at least 51% time you would have taken building from kit/scratch
- Model should be currently (Jan 15) un-started, incomplete, un-restored, or current/future wreck.
- Building contest models are also eligible for the model of the month/year if those criteria are met

Voting:

At the Nov 2015 and annually thereafter

Model must be completed and builder present at the Nov meeting (may be represented by another EAM member.)

Participants will be given 5 minutes each to present/describe their entries.

Each model entry will be assigned a number in each category. Each members will receive four ballots and vote for one model number in each entry category. Consideration should be given for level of effort and craftsmanship. Ballots will be tallied by club officers and the winners announced at the Nov meeting.

Winners:

Winners will be recognized in the Dec BEAM and receive a handsome certificate at the annual Christmas Party

New Category: Conversion from control line to RC. The club has a number of old control line aircraft which were donated (See pictures below). Some of you may have some oldies up in your attics like these. If you convert them to RC, you can enter them in our new build category.

Get building and look for more building information each month.

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Membership for Year 2015

To renew membership for 2015, you will need your new 2015 AMA card. Dues are \$40.00.

Late Renewals are now 50.00. (\$10.00 late penalty) and you may not fly at the club site until dues are paid.

Mail either your new 2015 AMA Card or a copy to:
Eglin Aero Modelers C/o
Robert Pacheco
43 Lake Point Dr
Miramar Beach, FL 32550

OR make your renewals in person at Shalimar Hobbies (bring your 2015 AMA card).

Also, check or confirm your addresses, both postal and e-mail, and phone numbers when renewing. An EAM 2015 sticker will be attached to your AMA Card. If renewing by mail, be sure to indicate the address where the sticker will be mailed. A SASE will save the club \$\$\$. Join or renew at a Meeting

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