**Mar 2015** 

# GENERAL CLUB INFORMATION

NEXT CLUB MEETING Thursday, March 19, 2015, 7 -9 pm

Thursday, at Niceville Church of Christ

## UPCOMING EVENTS GLIDER SOCIAL - 1st SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

April 4, 2015 Scout-O-Rama Uptown Station, POC: Robert Pacheco

April 10-11, 2015 5th Annual Marvel of Flight DeFuniak Springs Airport POC: Phill Conner

April 18-19, 2015 AMA Pattern Contest POC: 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;

I am currently recuperating from hernia surgery on March 5<sup>th</sup>, but I am coming along nicely. I really wanted to be at the field on Saturday as we had a beautiful day. I managed to make it out for a short time on Sunday but as I can't lift anything over 10 pounds, I was unable to participate.

It appears that this week end may be a wash for Saturday but we'll just wait and see. We really need to get our February Fun Fly rescheduled and I need someone to run it. Please contact me if you will. Our April events are quickly approaching and we need to get ready. First off is the Scout-A-Rama on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Robert Pacheco is heading that one up so if you are interested please contact him for details.

Next up on April 10-11<sup>th</sup> is the Marvel of Flight airshow at the Defuniak Springs Airport. We will have a static display and may be able to fly. I am trying to get us a spot right next to the runway to make launch and recovery easier. We will be there on the 11<sup>th</sup> only.

Our scheduled motor glider contest for April 12<sup>th</sup> has been canceled. We will still hold the motor glider contest scheduled for later in the year. Lastly on April 18<sup>th</sup> is the Autism Family Festival display at the FWB landing.

We supported this event last year and were a hit. We will be in approximately the same location as last year. I am the POC on that one so please email me if you can attend. As we head into spring the weather is getting nicer. See you at the field.

Phil Conner

## Eglin Aero Modellers Regular Monthly Meeting 19 February 2015 By Ron Van Putte

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the president, Phil Conner, with 28 present.

Guests introduced themselves.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved as published in the February BEAM.

The treasury contains \$3951.80. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Phil Reported on our participation in the Chatautauqua Assembly static display in DeFuniak Springs.

Thanks to Jerry Baxter (NWF Modelers) were expressed for the new landing tapes for the Glider Social.

Plans for the DeFuniak Springs Marvel of Flight Air Show (April 10th/11th) were discussed.

Our potential participation in Autism Family Festival Display (April 18th) at the Fort Walton Landing was discussed.

Also discussed was the Aviation Adventure Boys and Girls Clubs (April 11th) and the John Palm Memorial Motor Glider Contest (April 12th).

The proposed 2015 budget was discussed extensively.

Alan Bradshaw volunteered to be the club point of contact for grass cutting.

It was moved, seconded and passed to purchase QuikBooks Online for accounting software for the club.

It was moved, seconded and passed to reimburse the Niceville Church of Christ \$120 per year for the meeting place.

Keith Stephens will contact the church to see if they expect us to purchase liability insurance.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the provisional budget be accepted.

Model of the Month contributors were Ron Van Putte (Waco) and Robert Pacheco (Pilatus Porter). Ron won.

SAD patch nominees were Cody Powell (Habu), Ron Van Putte (Waco), Mike D'Anna (Fun Jet) and Herb Hardwick (P-51). Mike won.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Ron Van Putte, secretary

Meeting Attendees

Phil Conner Exor Reyes Mike Plummer Robert Pacheco Keith Stephens Paul Doman Rob Campbell Reuben Courvertier Romeo Wright Joe Shearer Eugene Roller Frank Perkins Ray Seip Joseph Klinefelter Craig Deverle Victor Diaz Alan Bradshaw Cody Powell Larry Glenn Mike D'Anna Roger Gilman Dan Ruddell Mark Owens Mark Pfeiffer Mike Redys **Kevin Fears** Jim Harris **Dick Campis** 

#### Recognition Model-of-the-Year By Robert Pacheco



Ron Van Putte Won Model of Month with his Waco

## March 8, 2015 Don Hollfelder Memorial Sunday Glider Social by Craig Deverle

This month's social was delayed a week due to weather. Today's forecast was for partly cloudy skies going to clear, cool temperatures of 49 degrees going to mid 60s, and winds ENE at 5 mph going to East at 6 mph. The scattered cloud dissipated by round 3, the winds were light, and it was wonderfully warm, getting up to just below 70 when we quit at noon. The winds were a bit problematic. We set the turn-around to the north, knowing we would be launching with a crosswind. The problem was the wind would swing from northeast to southeast and back throughout the morning. It seemed we were launching downwind about a third of the time. There were small cones of light lift at the start and by the finish at noon good thermals were starting to pop. We set out two of the landing tapes donated by Jerry Baxter and we had no landing issues. It was a beautiful day!!!

We waited a bit for Lance to configure and trim out his Xplorer with a newly repaired fuselage. When Lance was ready, Jerry Baxter led off, but couldn't find much with his big wing Xplorer. However, he hammered the lading spot for 90 points. Lance launched his Xplorer, but the fuselage folded at the repair joint as he rotated for a zoom off the line. The tail bent back and the aircraft inverted. Lance did a great job getting it down inverted in a semi-controlled manner. He had a heavy air back up fuselage and he mounted the wing to that. No one else could manage anything better than 5 minutes until Jim Hartley maxed his brand new Xplorer. You might note a trend in aircraft. Only Mark Owens and Craig Deverle flew something other than a Xplorer.

In round 2, the air got better with the sun shining. Jerry, Mark, and Craig maxed. Craig had the advantage of seeing Mark point out the good air and followed the Bubble Dancer with his Velvia. At times, it looked like they were at the same height on opposite sides of the circle. Craig was still 300 ft high with 1 minute to go, so he set crow and brought the aircraft down at speed. He had the landing tape made, but failed to take crow out when 3 feet above the ground the Velvia settled gently to the ground just short of the tape.

In round 3 the air got better still, with Jerry, Lance, Mark, Craig, and Jim all maxing. At altitude, the wind was stout from the East. However the thermals seemed to move at random about the field down low. Lance was remarking that a strong thermal was passing overhead and moving northwest as Craig stepped to the line. He came off, turned briefly to the east to follow Mark who was going up, but then reversed direction and flew straight into the thermal Lance identified. It was possibly the best air of the day, taking the Velvia up to an altitude where it just didn't want to come down. Craig rushed the approach to the landing tape, determined not

to come up short this time and garnered 60 points.

In round 4 the sea breeze was trying to fill and the wind would swing back and forth from NE to SE. Most folks had to launch downwind. There were thermals to be found but the air was more confused. Folks were flying all around the field to find air. Jerry maxed and Craig managed 6+30, with the aide of Jerry who was timing and pointing out lift.

In round 5, the wind would shift to the SE about 50% of the time. Jerry, Lance, and Mark maxed.

Both the club and Mark Owen's winch performed well with no line breaks and only a brief tangle on Mark's machine. Rounds 3 & 4.

Name			ınd 3		Round 4				
INAITIC	min	sec	land	score	min	sec	land	score	
Jerry Baxter	7	4	40	456	7	1	70	491	
Lance Ropke	7	2	55	473	2	43	0	163	
Buddy Bradley	5	34	50	384	2	28	55	203	
Mark Owens	6	58	5	423	6	25	0	385	
Craig Deyerle	6	52	90	502	6	31	60	451	
Jim Hartley	7	6	85	499	3	4	0	184	
Bob Halverson	2	18	95	233	3	10	0	190	

Rounds 1 & 2.

Name	Aircraft.	Round 1				Round 2			
Name		min	sec	land	score	min	sec	land	score
	Xplorer	_						_	
Jerry Baxter	4.0 X1	3	58	90	328	7	1	5	424
Lance Ropke	Xplorer 3.8 X2	4	20	0	260	3	4	0	184
•	Xplorer								
Buddy Bradley	3.5 X1	4	52	65	357	4	20	40	300
	Bubble								
Mark Owens	Dancer	4	4	10	254	6	57	95	512
Craig Deyerle	Velvia	3	20	20	220	6	53	0	413
Jim Hartley	Xplorcr 3.5 X2 V-	6	55	25	440	2	5	0	125
Bob Halverson	Xplorer 3.5 X2	3	18	0	198	5	14	30	344

Round 5

Name		Rou	nd 5	Total	Dlaca	Flight Time	
	min	sec	land	score	TOLAI	riace	(sec)
Jerry Baxter	7	1	85	504	2203	1	1998
Lance Ropke	7	0	0	420	1500	5	1445
Buddy Bradley	4	59	0	299	1543	4	1333
Mark Owens	60	44	0	404	1978	2	1868
Craig Deyerle	ന	1	0	181	1767	3	1597
Jim Hartley	2	14	0	134	1382	6	1272
Bob Halverson	2	35	80	235	1200	7	1075

#### EAM 2015 Building Contest By Gene Barnes

#### **BUILDING CONTEST - 19 NOV 2015**

Started on your model for the Building Contest? Now's the time to clear off your workbench (or dining room table) and get started. Remember the four categories: scratch built, kit built, repaired/restored, and control line conversions. Stick to commercial sources or use your imagination and creativity. Some sites to help you get started:

http://www.rcscalebuilder.com/Tutorials/Scale\_Plans\_Building/Building%20from%20Plans.htm

#### www.precisioncutkits.com

Collect the pieces of your SAD patch nominees, dig that old control liner out of the attic.

Get building and have fun. We'll see your creation in Nov.

Gene Barnes

#### **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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