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February 2017

# **Message from the Club President**

Well another year has gone by and we are already at the end of January. I hope that this year will be great for all of us flyers, here's to great weather and good friendships throughout the Year.

Most of our members have renewed their membership for this year, we lost a few for one reason or another, but we also gained some new members. So welcome them, when you see them and lend a hand, if they need it. I am proud of our club and the fine people involved.

To the members that it may concern, if you use our new Starting Stand, please pull them back, under the shelters, when you are done using them. This will help the grass cutters and preserve the stands.

January has not been the best month for flying, with the cold temperatures and the winds kicking up. I hope it gets warmer soon. I guess it is "Wintertime". We do have it better than other areas of the country.

The Gate Lock combo will change after the February Meeting.

See you at the Field,

Werner

#### Secretary's Message.

There are no minutes as we did not have a meeting in January.

All membership renewals are now closed. Anyone wishing to renew must pay the \$125 initiation fee plus the \$75 dues.

We have reconciled the membership roster (which will be on the website soon) and report the following:

Regular members: 155 Honorary members: 3 Youth members: 19

Total members as of 1/12/2017: 187

the next club meeting is Saturday, Feb 4th, 10 a.m. at the flying field.

### **CLUB JACKETS**

We will be ordering club jackets if we get enough people who are interested. These are first quality jackets like the last ones we ordered. The cost is \$75. Please contact Jim Slaughter ASAP at jim@slaughter.org if you want one. All orders need to be in by the end of November at the very latest.

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## 2017 TAMPA BAY AREA R/C EVENT CALENDAR

All dates are accurate at the time of printing, but are subject to change.

- JAN 21-23? Can-Am "S.A.M." MEET 21 - S.P.A.R.K.S. SWAP MEET
- FEB 18 TRAC SWAP MEET
- MAR 3, 4 SE Model Show (Perry, GA) 15 - 18 FLORIDA JETS (Lakeland, FL) 18, 19? MacDill AIRFEST 18 BCF - SWAP MEET 25 HAM – FUN-FLY 25? TCRC – WATT-FEST (Electric Fly-In)
- APR 4-9 EAA "Sun-N-Fun" (Lakeland, FL) 15? TCRC - WARBIRDS 22 S.P.A.R.K.S. FUN-FLY 29, 30 SRCS - Golden Eagle Air Fare
- MAY 3 7 TOP GUN (Lakeland, FL) 13 HAM - SPRING BIG BIRD FLY-IN 13-20 JOE NALL WEEK (Woodruff, SC) 13 BCF - ALL-ELECTRIC FLY-IN 20 TRAC - FUN FLY COMPETITION

- JUN 3, 4 BCF IMAC SPRING CLASSIC 10 HAM - FUN FLY
- JUL 15? S.P.A.R.K.S. SAIL PLANE
- AUG 12 HAM SUMMER HOT DEALS SWAP
- SEP 2 TRAC 24<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE 9 BCF - GOLDEN ERA FLY-IN
- OCT 14 HAM CHUCK HELLINGS FUN-FLY 14, 15? TCRC – Fall WATT-FEST (Electric Fly-In) 28, 29? TCRC - HELI EVENT
- NOV 1-5 RED FLAG (Lakeland, FL) 11 - BCF - FIGHTERTOWN USA 18 - LFC - SWAP MEET 18 - HAM - FALL BIG BIRD FLY-IN 19 - TRAC - THANKSGIVING Charity Fly-In
- DEC 2 TRAC SWAP MEET 9 - SRCS - WARBIRDS 9 - HAM – CLUB SOCIAL 16 - HAM – COOL DEALS SWAP MEET

# 2017 AMA membership is required to fly after January 1, 2017.

<u>Volunteer Flight Instructors are needed!</u> Please contact an officer or Chief Instructor Bill Intini

## **Bay City Flyers: CLUB INSTRUCTORS**

If you are new to our club and need flight instructions, please contact Bill Intini, our Chief Flight Instructor. If you are a current member and would like to become a Flight Instructor please contact Bill Intini.

Bay City Flyers provides a number of ways to introduce individuals into the sport of Radio Control Flying. Never flown before? No Problem. We have a group of members who are designated as "Intro Pilots" by the AMA. An Intro Pilot offers you the opportunity to fly a few times without purchasing equipment and to be covered by the Intro Pilots AMA Insurance. If you are interested in continuing flying you must join AMA and we can provide you with a Club Instructor. If you have a friend or relative who holds a Bay City Flyer Solo Card, he or she may be able to act as your Instructor.

Chief Flight Instructor - Bill Intini 727.255.3809 chuchao48@aol.com

Intro Pilot Instructor - Jody Lopez 813.843.4011 maxiim76@aol.com

Intro Pilot Instructor - Bruce Hartman 813.451.6102 hartmann.bruce@gmail.com

Finally, we have Designated Check Ride Pilots, who will check you out and determine if you can be issued a Bay City Flyers Solo Card:

Mike Kohanyi 813-744-1471 mkohanyi@tampabay.rr.com

Any instructor or club officer can also be a check pilot.

Joe Barzyz is a club Intro Pilot for Civil Air Patrol Students only

Jody Lopez has been added as AMA for intro pilot status

# **Club Sponsors**

The Sponsors listed below have very generously contributed merchandise to our raffles and annual events. Please patronize them whenever possible.



### Next Meeting is Feb. 4th 2017 10:00 AM Area 52 Field. Check out our web site: <u>HTTP://WWW.BAYCITYFLYERS.ORG</u>

Review the Bulletin Board and our Website to keep informed of what is happening at the flying fields.

The main gate at the flying field 52 must be kept locked when entering or leaving the field. The four tumblers must be turned each time the lock is closed. When entering the field if you find only one tumbler has been turned, try to find the last member who entered the field and closed the lock incorrectly. Explain to the individual that all four tumblers must be turned.

