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October 2023

President's Note

At the last membership meeting Jody Lopez and Pete Rundel discussed the potential to start a special interest group related to the building and flying of rc-combat type aircraft. You may ask, what is that? Check out this link to learn more <https://rccombat.com/>. If interested, contact Jody or Pete at the following addresses:

Pete - pete@therundels.com

Jody - jmaxiim76@gmail.com

Also, at the last meeting the topic of a member-appreciation event was discussed. We will round back up on this topic at the October meeting to see if there is any interest.

There are quite a few events going on in the local area:

Bay City Flyers Swap Meet – October 21

Bay City Flyers Fighter Town – November 18

SPARKS – WattoberFest – October 21

Hernando County Radio Control Club Swap Meet – November 11

We need gate control folks to volunteer for the Bay City Flyers events on October 21 and November 18. If you can donate an hour or two to help at the gate it would be much appreciated.

We are still dealing with hog issues and runway repairs are ongoing. Please do not fly when the repairs are taking place (ie., people and/or equipment on the runway)!

We have had a few members renew already for 2024 and that is much appreciated. If you can, renew now and avoid the last-minute rush.

Keep 'em Flying! See you at the Field.

**All Members if you are not receiving the club newsletter by e-mail,
Please e-mail Jeff Houck at <jeff.rcpilot@gmail.com>**



Bay City Flyers
General Meeting
9 Sep 2023

0900 President Houck called the meeting to order with a quorum of 15 members present.

Joe Barzyz led the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for the first responders and for the victims of the fires in Hawaii.

Old Business:

More field repairs will commence when the weather becomes cooler.

Special thanks to Werner and the volunteers who are trying to keep up with the field repairs from the hog damage.

The AED machine has arrived and we are waiting for an appropriate cabinet to store it at the field.

Reminder to have membership card visible at all times.

Hog hunt is still in the works. Date is still unknown.

Field orientation procedures checklist will be required for all new members. It must be completed before a solo card can be issued.

New Business:

Paul Erickson made a motion to appoint Simon Holden to serve as a board member and to audit our financial status.

Motion was seconded by Pete Rundell.

The quote to replace our Bay City Flyers sign came in at \$1580.00
Pete Rundell made a motion to approve the expense of the new sign.

Paul Erickson seconded the motion. The sign purchase was approved by a unanimous vote.

Discussed an increase to the annual dues to \$100.00/yr. and a reduction in the initiation fee to \$100.00.

This is to be effective for the calendar year of 2025.

Paul Erickson made a motion to approve the increase.

Roger Cherry seconded the motion.

Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Early renewals are still encouraged to help make up our large expenses for the year.

Qualifications for different types of aircraft (i.e. electric, gas, helicopters, drones) was discussed and a need to demonstrate proficiency should be addressed by the instructors.

If mowers are on the runways there should be NO flying on that runway.

We need to encourage nominations for next years' officers and board members.

Soda machine is in disrepair and needs to be removed.

Paul Erickson made a motion to have it removed.

Roger Cherry seconded the motion.

Motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

Member appreciation day was discussed.

A survey will be sent to all members to determine the level of interest.

Swap meet is scheduled for Oct 21st.

Fighter town event is scheduled for Nov 18th.

Volunteers are needed for gate duty.

Our refrigerator failed and all the meat and other foods in it spoiled.

Paul Erickson made a motion to replace the unit.

Roger Cherry seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

Werner was requested to spread insecticide on the runways.

Pete Rundell is checking to see if there is an interest in RC Combat

0945 Werner Keil made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Joe Barzyz seconded the motion

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully prepared and submitted by:

George Andruss V.P. BCF

Bay City Flyers 2023 Event dates

Oct 21 - Swap Meet

Nov 18 - Fighter town

Secretary Note

It has been brought to the attention of the Board at the August meeting that Club Members are not reporting lost and unrecovered aircraft as required. If you lose an aircraft and are unable to recover it for whatever reason, please provide date/time and approximate location of the aircraft in an email to Secretary Jeff Houck at jeff.rcpilot@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.



WHEN RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP, YOU MUST SUBMIT THE PAPERWORK, NOT JUST A CHECK.

ALSO, PLEASE ENCLOSE A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE AS IT SAYS ON THE RENEWAL FORM

Bay City Flyers: CLUB INSTRUCTORS

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

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

Pilot Instructor - Bill Intini 727-255-3809 chuchao48@aol.com

Pilot Instructor - Bud Walkinshaw 727-267-3519 bwgw1@verizon.net

Intro Pilot Instructor - Jody Lopez 813.843.4011 jmaxiim76@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 of the Club's Officers (see above) or official pilot instructors



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Next Club meeting Oct. 7th at 9:00 am at Area 52 Field.
Check out our web site:
[HTTP://WWW.BAYCITYFLYERS.ORG](http://www.baycityflyers.org)

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.

