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March 2024

President's Note

The first event of 2024 is in the books and, according to Contest Director Greg Baggerly, it was a success! BCF hosted the IMAC event with 16 pilots in attendance. Greg stated that "the weather on Saturday was a little windy but the pilots flew from 0830 – 1800 hours and finished by noon on Sunday." A few new Club members stopped by to observe the event. Big shout out to those who helped prep the field and Kudos to Cliff Wilder for volunteering to stay overnight on Friday and Saturday to protect the field from pig damage! THANK YOU!!

As stated in a previous email, SWFWMD is in the process of scheduling a Tier 3 hunt and we will forward information when received.

Our next event is scheduled for April 20 and will be an Open House with opportunity for the general public to get a "hands-on" introduction to RC Flying. There will be several opportunities to volunteer and we need everyone who can to come out and support the event, both as a volunteer and as a Club Member displaying your aircraft. Open flying will be available all day with a noon aerobatic demo. Flyers will be available at the monthly Club meetings for advertising purposes.

Next Club Meeting is this Saturday, 2 March @ 0900.

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 Fliers General Membership Meeting Feb. 3, 2024

0900 President Houck called the meeting to order with 24 members present.

Joe Barzyz led the members with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Treasurer Mike Sperato gave the details of the club's finances.

The new dues and new initiation charges for calendar year 2025 were discussed again.

We are looking into adding the club application form to the website so the entire registration can be completed online.

We're looking for fencing options to surround the field and to prevent further hog damage.

A meeting with SWFMD officials will be held in the near future to discuss the fencing and future projects.

Pete Rundel went over the "Learn to Fly" event. We are looking for intro pilots to assist. It appears we have enough interest. Still, we need volunteers to help with the kitchen and the front gate.

Paul Ericson made a motion to have the event in April.

Bruce Horvath seconded the motion.

A vote was held and it passed unanimously.

Still looking for contractors for structural repairs. The work might have to be done in small stages.

IMAC event is a go for now. Still waiting for an RV permit.

0940 Joe Barzyz made a motion to adjourn.

Jim Slaughter seconded the motion

0941 President Houck adjourned the meeting.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

George Andruss
V.P. BCF

Bay City Flyers 2024 Event dates

BCF SWAP MEET - OCT 19th

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 March 2nd 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.

