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April 2024

President's Message

April is here and things are starting to green up and grow. The Field is looking very good despite all of the hog damage it has sustained so far this year. I want to give a well-deserved shout out and Thank You to Vice-President George Andruss and Paul Ericson who have done an amazing job at keeping up with the hog damage repairs. To those who have assisted them we also say Thank You.

The SWFWMD Management has informed us that there is a hog hunt scheduled for this week. The Field will be CLOSED to ALL activity from Thursday, April 4 through Friday April 5. The Field will be available again on Saturday, April 6 as normal. Please do not interfere with this activity.

Now that the growing season is here, the mowing season is beginning to ramp up as well. Please respect the mowing team when they are actively cutting the grass and refrain from flying if they are on any runways or active taxiways. Safety and common sense must prevail when the mowing team is on the Field.

Our Open House is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th. We are looking for volunteers for gate duty, and assistance with Intro Fights. You can contact Contest Director Pete Rundel directly at 813-802-8970 if you are able to help us out. We are also asking for as many Members as possible to bring your Aircraft to the Field for display and flying purposes. We want to show the General Public who visit us what we are all about.

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 Membership Meeting
2 Mar 2024**

0900 President Houck called the meeting to order with 17 members present.

Joe Barzyz led the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

0905 Treasurer Sperato gave financial reports and invited members to review the financial documents.

There are 5 new members so far this year.

Greg Baggerly gave a review of the recent IMAC event. It was very successful with 16 pilots participating. He gave kudos to those members who worked to repair the field to a flyable condition.

New Business:

President Houck and VP Andruss met with officers of SWFWMD officials to discuss upcoming hog hunts. Dates of the hunts have not been set yet.

The fence proposal was discussed with a favorable reaction. Any fencing will need to be approved by the district office.

The "Learn to Fly" event is scheduled for April 20th. It needs to be advertised and mentioned as much as possible to ensure a favorable turnout.

Cliff Wilder gave updates on the trainers and accessories to include batteries and chargers.

President Houck made a suggestion for a one time monetary contribution to assist with the fence expenses.

0930 Joe Barzyz made a motion to adjourn.
The motion was seconded by Roger Cherry.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

George Andruss
V.P. BCF

Bay City Flyers 2024 Event dates

Open House Event - April 20th

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 April 6th 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.

