

Flyin' High - Jim Fulton Field

The official newsletter of the Golden Triangle RC Club

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Meeting Information / Minutes

Club Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of every Month at 1900 Location – Spring Creek BBQ – Mansfield 1724 Highway 287 North Mansfield, TX 76063

Participation in club meetings is encouraged for all members, their families, and any visitors. The meetings are presided over by club officers in an orderly and cooperative manner to facilitate members' input. This is the time to help guide our club's future and vote on current issues. Members are encouraged to bring their latest project for Show and Tell.

October 2023 Business Meeting -Michael Roznick, GTRCC Secretary

Bob brought the meeting to order at 7:01. 7 members were present.

President's Report - Not present

Treasure's Report - Frank Cox gave the Treasurer's report. He presented the Beginning Bank Balance, listed Monthly Income, Expenses, and earmarks. After all income and expenses, he gave the available cash which showed that the club remains in good financial shape.

Vice-President's Report – Bob and Jason discussed the state of the lease payments. This year's lease payment was forgiven by the city as part of the renewal earlier this year. All payments are up to date.

Secretary's Report – Minutes from the September meeting were published in the newsletter.

Safety Officer's Report - No Safety issues noted

Old Business

Jason provided an update on getting the field cut by Dr. Taylor. His equipment is still out of town. They are hoping to cut the field soon and start a year long process of leveling and de-weeding the field prior to planting. Jason suggested that a few members should be made available in case a FOD walk is needed.

Jason also discussed the tractor's radiator. He and Frank were able to plug most of the leaks. It still has a slow leak but is manageable. Members decided to leave funds allocated to replacing the radiator but delay any purchasing until January, to see how things work out with Dr. Taylor cutting the field.

Jason also discussed the hangar that he had proposed donating to the club. Now that temperatures are workable, volunteers could take it down and transport if to the field. This would require several people to move it. Jason will send out an email proposing a date and gauge interest.

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The pilot fences were removed as discussed and approved in the previous meeting. \$1000 remains allocated towards replacing them with new white fencing.

Darrel Millers son is still on standby to look at the field and at attempt to improve the runway. He was in an accident and is recovering but is still planning on stopping by in a few weeks. Jason also mentioned that the new trash cans have been purchased. He reminded members to ensure that the lids are properly snapped on. The total cost was around \$151. Members voted to approve full reimbursement.

New Business

Officer nominations were put forward as follows:

President: Jason Mitchell VP: Bob Smith Treasurer: Mike Koenig Secretary: Michael Roznick Safety Officer: Tony Rusher

Mike Koenig proposed a Bylaws change. This would allow for controlled membership discounts for those who are part of the dedicated field maintenance team, at an hourly rate of \$7.50, with a maximum discount of full membership cost. It also provides guidance for forming and running the field maintenance team. This will be voted on during the November meeting.

Jason constructed sun shields for the flying station. These are available for all members to use and are of particular help when flying in the morning. He also suggested procuring Tractor Supply Stall mats to widen the 2 center pilot stations so that pilots could move more to adjust for the sun position. Frank said that the current rubber pilot mats are attached to cement blocks. Jason will investigate what is required to move the old mats.

Frank suggested that members consider events for next year. Michael mentioned a warbird event and helicopter event. Members suggested planning for the October-November time frame next year to seek better temperatures.

Michael gave an event report on Warbirds Over Texas at the North Dallas RC Club. The event was well attended, with great weather on Saturday. Plenty of pilots with large warbirds and jets were in attendance. The event was moved from June to October to seek better temperatures.

Adjourn 8:04

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Announcements

From Frank Cox:

• If you need a new ID card, please contact Frank at the contact info above.

EDF Jet Door Prize, Raffle, and Sale

Frank Cox has three (3) NIB jets (pics of two of them below). They will all be brought to the November meeting. One will be a door prize, one will be raffled, and one will be for sale.

The one for sale will be the pick of the buyer. Starting price is \$150.00. Whomever wants to buy one gets to pick the one he wants to buy.

Of the remaining two, one will be raffled. Tickets cost \$1.00 each. The last plane will be given away FREE as a door prize.

So, bring some cash to the meeting!!



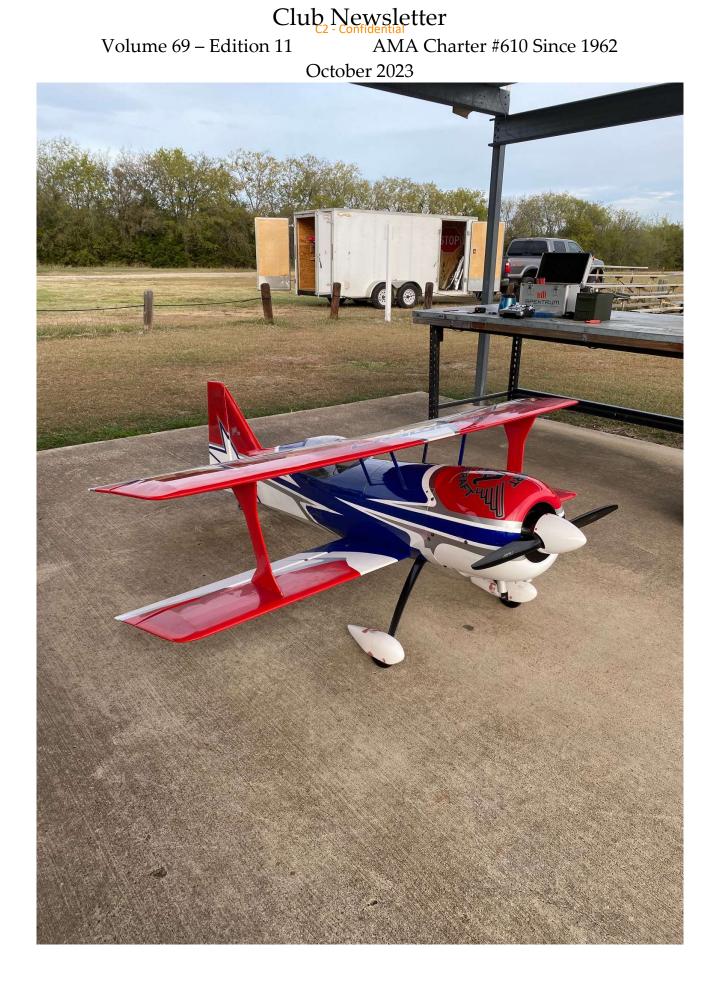
<u>!Upcoming Events!!</u>

No Events Scheduled!!

Member's Projects

Be sure and email pics/commentary of your projects to Jason Mitchell – <u>motomazzo@yahoo.com</u> So we can all see what you're working on!

Club member Jason Mitchell repaired this Mamba 120 and got the maiden done on 22-October-2023. Engine is a DA-120 and servos are Savox 2290's. Jason is a huge fan of biplanes and has been waiting a while to get this one going. It is a very aggressive 3D machine and he is very pleased with the way it flies.



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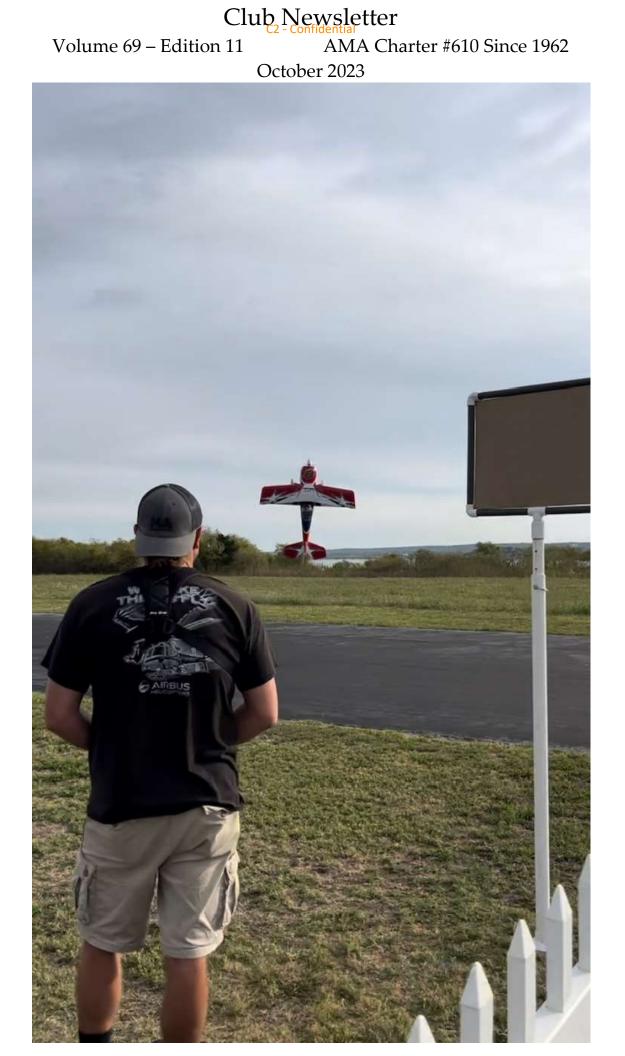
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Club Merchandise

For Club Shirts, please contact The Logo Factory in Grand Prairie, TX: <u>www.logofactoryco.com</u> / 972-642-4222. For club stickers (limited sized and quantities available), please contact Frank Cox – Club Treasurer – <u>countilaw@yahoo.com</u> Volume 69 – Edition 11 October 2023

!!Club Classifieds!!

We all like to buy and sell! Here is the place to advertise what you've got! If you have anything to sell in this section, send pics and info to Jason Mitchell – <u>motomazzo@yahoo.com</u> or text to 972-259-7033 (ads begin below)

The following items are listed by Club Member - Bernhard Kainerstorfer. He can be reached at the following: 682-552-0530 www.bernhardsviolin.com

- RCGF Stinger 21 Twin ... NIB \$275

- Phoenix Extra with NGH17cc, plane needs tank, batteries and receiver and is ready to go...\$200

- 15cc gas engine, complete with mounts ...\$100

- NGH17cc without ignition, (second engine for the Extra) ...\$50

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Any comments / complaints / suggestions, do not hesitate to contact me at: <u>motomazzo@yahoo.com</u> c-972-259-7033

Editor's Note:

Well, it's been great flying weather. A bit cold on a few mornings, but the engines like it. The runway conditions are getting pretty bad in some places. We have had some gears broken and some airframe damage, broken props, etc. as a result. The best part of the runway is on the west side of the center so keep that in mind for your takeoffs and landings. We have an option or two on the horizon for immediate, albeit temporary improvement to the runway but I will be actively pursuing the topic with the City of Grand Prairie to see how quickly we might be able to do something more permanent. Also, very thankful we received our FRIA approval. Our friends over at Thunderbird Field have not. I spoke to some members at the Icehouse Flyin down in Rockdale, TX on 3-November and some of them are not overly optimistic it will be granted. Some of them believe it's just a fluke it was denied. All to say, let's be thankful for ours and continue to enjoy the field we have as well as the privilege of having a nice field so close to the heart of the surrounding cities that we can all enjoy!!

Speaking of the cold – I find my fingers get so cold, so quickly. Kind of important to be able to move and feel your fingers in our hobby. I have found this "Big Buddy" heater from Mr. Heater has been a real help (pic below). It provides just a little bit of relief and warmth to the fingers between flights and I've really enjoyed having it. Northern Tool has them on sale right now, through the month of November, I believe. Anyway, you might consider one for yourself.

Hope you enjoyed the newsletter this month! Y'all get our there and fly!

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