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Aero Modelers of Perrine  
An AMA Chartered Club



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## President's Plugs

by  
Wally Crichton

As you know, I announced my intentions to give up the Newsletter Editor and Web Master positions. Chris Hogan volunteered to do the newsletter and Vicar Hernandez is taking over the Web Page. I didn't expect such a fast response, but I'm really pleased such well-qualified members are ready to take on these tasks.

My first newsletter was published

in April 1996, a little over 8 years ago. My how time flies when you're having fun... and, it has been fun! I've learned a lot about publishing, digital photography and the challenges of putting the newsletter on the Internet. When looking to see when my first issue was published, I looked through some of my early efforts and was surprised at how much change there has been. The style has matured and the quality of the photographs improved dramatically. But, the biggest change was the transition from black and white to color. What a difference that makes. Like I said, it's been fun and I know Chris will make it even better.

The Club Web Site was a big challenge for me. I didn't have the slight-

est idea of how web pages worked much less how to create one and get it onto the web. Fortunately, Vicar had already created our first web site and had it up and running. He helped me get started and slowly I gained confidence. With time the Site began to gain popularity and went from a few hundred hits per month to over 35,000 this past June. What's really interesting is, we're receiving hits from many countries throughout the world. Unfortunately, some of the folks from Russia made unkind ethnic remarks in our Guest Book section and I had to delete them. Vicar will have his hands full, but I'm sure he'll bring many new and exciting en-

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## Secretary's Servos

by  
Rick Pellecchia

### MINUTES July 2004

- Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM
- Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM
- The minutes were accepted as printed in the Club Newsletter
- Treasurer's report for June 2004 was read and accepted
- Introduction of guests

### OLD BUSINESS

**FIELD REPORT:** We still are looking for someone to come forward to fill the Field Engineer's position. Mike Hunt's name was brought up as someone who would be very capable in the position. Hopefully, we can convince Mike to take the job.

We want to thank Vicar Hernandez for taking the initiative to repair the field carts.

**MEETING FORMAT:** Nick Capone conducted this evening's workshop, and the topic being "scratch" building techniques. Nick pulled out all the stops on this one; and if you missed it, you really missed a great presentation. Maybe we can get Nick back for an encore??

**JULY 4 PICNIC:** The Club wishes to acknowledge the work of our Events Coordinator Vicar Hernandez in putting together this years July 4 picnic and fun-fly. The food was great, and all had a good time.

**CLUB ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES:** As reported last month, we have created the following new two positions currently being performed by the President)

**Webmaster:** Vicar Hernandez has volunteered for the job.

**Newsletter Editor:** Chris Hogan has conditionally accepted, and will give us his final decision after a meeting with Wally to discuss the requirements of the job.

### NEW BUSINESS

**FIELD MAINTENANCE:** To seed or not to seed.... We are going to wait until we get past this dry spell, and into our traditional "rainy" season.

We had a lengthy discussion regarding leveling the runway; to sand, not to sand...what to do?? Associate Member Mark Clark works closely with individuals in the business of building and maintaining athletic fields (baseball, football, and golf courses). Mark will contact one of his colleagues, and explain our problem with the hope of getting someone out to our field to evaluate, and suggest a course of action. Mark will get with back with the Secretary/Treasurer as soon as contact has been made in order to set up a meeting.

### MEMBERSHIP

Let's extend a warm AMP's welcome to the following new members): Tony and Antonio Estevez

The following Associate Members) were scheduled to be voted in, but failed to show up for the meeting: D. Albert, S. Brown, Jeff and Joseph Gon-

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*Thursday Night is Club Meeting Night at Cutler Ridge Mall — Starting Time... 7PM!*

### "Secretary's Servos"

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zalez, S. Ortega.

The following Associate Members have requested that their probationary period be extended:

The following Associate Members are due to be voted into the club at our next meeting on August 12, 2004: Mark C. Clark, L. Garcia, P. Hodapp, M. Hodapp, and S. Schinoff

Associate Members being voted into the club are expected to remit their annual dues at that time. Annual dues are prorated for the month an Associate Member is being voted into the club. The prorated dues for associates being voted into the club on **August 12, 2004** will be: **\$42.00**. Dues not received by the last day of the month in which vote in date occurred will result in the immediate revocation of membership, and loss of all flying privileges.

**REMINDER: YOUR SPONSOR IS REQUIRED TO BE AT THIS MEETING IN ORDER FOR YOU TO BE VOTED INTO THE CLUB. SPONSORS THAT ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND MUST CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER WITH A RECOMMENDATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.**

Any Associate Member scheduled to be voted into the club on their designated meeting date, but is unable to attend that meeting, must call their sponsor, and the Secretary/Treasurer at (305) 232-4827. The Associate Member will be represented for the purpose of being voted into the Club. Failure to contact the Secretary/Treasurer, sponsor, or any other club officer will terminate the Associate Members affiliation with AMP's, and will also result in an immediate revo-

cation of all flying privileges at the field.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

**FREQUENCY PINS:** Rick Pellecchia has taken over the responsibility in the administration of the Club's frequency pin program. If you have ordered a frequency pins, and have not received it, please contact Rick at (305) 232-4827.

Please be reminded that Club Rule #6 was amended to require that all members use the **AMPS STANDARD APPROVED CLUB PIN.**

**Guest Pilots:** All members are encouraged to brief their guests to familiarize themselves with the Club's posted field rules, and to have their AMA card displayed prior to any flying activities. **Reminder:** The member sponsoring the guest must be present at the field when the guest is flying.

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hancements to the Site.

I was shocked when I read this month's issue of Model Aviation. Jim McNeill, our District V Vice President passed away in May. Over the years, he was a good friend to AMPS and helped us in many ways... he will be missed.

Kristian Carvajal just turned 10 years old in April of this year and became a full member of AMPS in May. He soloed under the instruction of Chief Instructor Bill Bishop just three weeks before this picture was taken. On this day he was flying his .60 powered Ugly Stick and doing a great job.



#### Club Management

President — **Wally Crichton**  
Vice President — **Bill Bishop**  
Secretary Treasurer — **Rick Pellecchia**  
Safety Committee Chairman — **John Mitchell**  
Field Engineer — Open Position  
Event Committee Chairman — **Vicar Hernandez**  
Chief Instructor — **Bill Bishop**  
Newsletter Editor — **Chris Hogan**  
Web Master — **Vicar Hernandez**

Annual dues are \$100 for Open Members, \$25 for Non Resident Members and \$1 for Juniors — Club Approved Frequency Pins are required and cost \$2.50 for each channel used. Meetings are held at 7:00 PM every Second Thursday of each month at **Cutler Ridge Mall, 20505 South Dixie Hwy.**

Please address inquiries about the club to: **Aero-Modelers of Perrine, 15425 SW 84th Ave, Palmetto Bay FL 33157-2113, Or Call (305) 232-4827**

#### Club Flight Instructors and Check Pilots

Chief Instructor, **Bill Bishop** — (305) 221-7291  
Instructor, **Scott Driesse** — (305) 254-3517  
Instructor, **Mike Laughlin** — (305) 234-8200  
Instructor, **Tom Caldwell** — (305) 638-0050  
Instructor, **Bob Cox** — (305) 234-2712  
Check Pilot, **John Mitchell** — (305) 388-2763  
Check Pilot, **Tony Fandino** — (305) 693-1374  
Check Pilot, **Mike Cipoloto** — (305) 274-3835  
Check Pilot, **Abraham Horta** — (305) 205-2906

#### Club Sponsors

**Crown Hobbies**      **Hobby Nut**  
7439 Coral Way      12679 Dixie Hwy  
(305) 264-3964      (305) 235-9584

**Warrick Hobbies**  
7676 Peters Road  
Ft Lauderdale  
(954) 424-0605

*Hogan's Hangar**by Chris Hogan**Editor, "Printed Circuit"**HgnHgr@aol.com**11711 SW 110 Terrace**Miami, FL 33186***Tony's Edge 540****Let's go flying!**

Thanks to Wally Crichton there have been more wonderful improvements to "Printed Circuit" than I can list here. When I last edited this newsletter it was, well, primitive by comparison. Thanks Wally!

During the past few years I, and probably many others, have relied heavily on internet forums and user groups which have much useful input from knowledgeable contributors. There are also posts with advise and recommendations from those whose agenda may be commercial in nature while appearing to be impartial. That's where our newsletter comes in!

What you read here is from your fellow AMPS members who you know and often based on experience at our club field. That's why it's more important than ever that YOU share your building and flying experiences here in "Printed Circuit" as well as the online forums. Opinions, welcome! Ideas, welcome! Pictures, welcome! Complaints, considered! Send to the above email or snail mail addresses.

My wife Marilyn is pumped on the "Wingdings" ladies group and hopes to contribute to the momentum started by Cathy Henry. Cathy has made the coolest "Wingding" caps and suggested that pilots and significant others meet Sunday mornings for a pre-flying breakfast. IHOP anyone? Having your lady involved with our great hobby will make it even more fun for you. If your gal is interested she may contact Marilyn at:

MarilynInMiamiFL@aol.com

Again, thank you Wally for making "Printed Circuit" a newsletter we can all be proud of and giving me the opportunity and challenge to continue this tradition.

-hangarcat



### LEIDNER'S ROASTED LIMERICKS

*Doc Says, "They're not  
Chestnuts, just plane Nuts...  
and I just may have used  
your Name too!"*

Many months ago member  
John Coogan,

Hit the sprinkler while flying a  
test run.

Though crops thrive on water,  
For an R/C it's slaughter,  
And picking up pieces is no fun!

New flying student, Alvaro  
Prieto,

Is a mentor, where Amps met,  
at Palmetto.

He teaches Seniors computer,  
But the thing he does cuter,  
Is to crash, like you'd mash a  
potato.

Morning flyer, "Wild Bill"  
Chestoks,

Has swapped out his two  
strokes for four strokes.

And if you should try,  
To fly like this guy,  
You'll wonder what kind of  
stuff he smokes.

The ambition of Angel Toledo,  
To keep a plane whole was his

credo.

He tried like the Devil,  
To fly his Messerschmitt level,  
Now, the remains of this aim is  
a shadow.

To win spot landing Tony Fand-  
ino,

Set his sights on one teeny  
neutrino.

All had to admit it  
Took great skill to hit it,  
His award, an electronic ma-  
chino.

Spot landing entrant Tom  
Caldwell,

Rejoiced that his touch had  
been called well.

After Tony he reckoned,  
That he'd finish second,  
And thus the results, had be-  
fallen well.

Be it known, that our own Nick  
Capone,

Before scale can be flown he  
has shown,

Just how to choose,  
Among all types of glues,  
And how to cut costs to the  
bone.

In two laps, the Extra of Wil-  
liam Lancaster,

Learned just how fast the  
Moki could blaster.

Then the engine went wrong,  
And the landing went long,  
And the nose took a very hard  
plaster.

Part three in the "Woes of  
Paul Gast".  
(You'd think by now, he'd be  
gassed).

A golfer yells "Fore",  
But for Paul, it's "Four More".

He just isn't learning too fast.

The climb and glide flight of  
Scott Henry,

Was the longest of anyone's  
mem'ry.

The ascent was so fast,  
Our planes were surpassed,  
As it floated all over AMPS'  
country.

Great consistency followed  
Mike Hunt,

Which placed him quite close  
to the front.

He scored two thirds,  
To lead most of the nerds,  
Who uttered an undignified,  
unified,  
grunt!

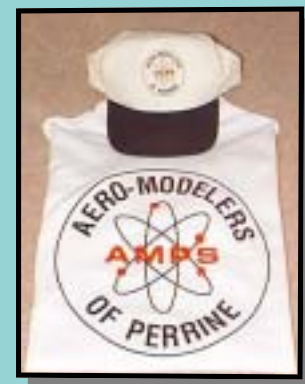


### FOR SALE

Club Tee Shirts & Hats

Tee Shirts: Small to Extra Extra  
Large! \$15

Hats: One Size Fits All! \$5 & \$6



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