

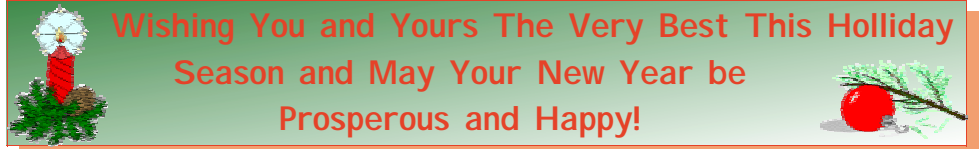


**President's
Plugs**

by
Wally Crichton

First of all, let me extend my warmest Holliday wishes to each of you and I hope Santa puts that very special gift you've been hoping for, in your stocking. I sure have my fingers crossed that Santa thinks I've been a good boy this year!

As you'll read in Rick's Minutes below, the incumbent Officers have been nominated for next year and there were



no other nominees. This means the officers are reelected by acclamation, so we will not be mailing ballots to the membership. However, we will be mailing renewal notices to everyone. Please, pay your dues before February first, so we can start preparing next year's budget.

For the first time, Club Officers will make a point to be at the field Saturday and Sunday mornings, during January, to accept dues payments. We're trying to make it as easy as possible for you to pay on time and avoid a

\$10 penalty.

Having to shut down the flight line last month was one of the most distasteful things I've had to do since becoming President. But, the membership has been very supportive and for that I'm very grateful. With a little luck, the suspension will be lifted soon.

A very special thanks goes to the Mako's Jet Club for their kind invitation for all AMP'S members to use their field while our flight line suspension is in effect. It's nice to have good friends

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**Secretary's
Servos**

by
Rick Pellecchia

MINUTES November 2003

- 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 October '03 was read and accepted

OLD BUSINESS

MORTGAGE SETTLEMENT: President Emeritus Art Silver as trustee for the Mortgage Trust Agreement (the clear title to the Aero-Modelers of Perrine flying field. The Secretary/Treasurer will mail out copies of the Satisfaction of Mortgage to all the beneficiaries.

FIELD REPORT: None. However, it was noted that the barrier hedges are at a point now where they needed

to be trimmed. We need also to treat the anthill problems as well. We will ask Frank Drewniany to address these issues.

MAIN SHELTER REPAIR: Chip Cipolato has tentatively set a mid February '04 weekend date to do the roof re-build of the main shelter. Chip has asked that you call him at (305) 274-3835 to volunteer for the work party. We are really lucky to have Chip take the lead on this; let's give him the support he's going to need; yes the Club will feed the work crew.

SAFETY COMMITTEE: Former member Chris Marsh has formally responded to the field incident, and has presented his account of the incident to Wally. Wally will submit Chris' letter to the Safety Committee for review, and action pursuant to the Club By-laws.

MEETING FOR-

MAT: The membership has selected twelve topics (see below) for presentation at next year's meetings. They're not necessarily shown in order and may be changed based on the presenters schedules.

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Presentation Topics for Meetings in 2004	
NAME	TOPIC
Wally Crichton	Soldering Techniques
Bill Bishop	Transition From Glow To Gas Engines
Bill Bishop	Balancing Propellers
Tony Fandino	Wing & Stab – Incidence and Alignment
Bill Bishop	Setting Up Aircraft – Computer Radio
Jerry Arcia	Covering Techniques
John Mitchell	Spray Painting Techniques
Nick Capone	Scratch Building Techniques Session I
Joe Mibelli	Radio and Transmitter Battery Session I
Joe Mibelli	Radio and Transmitter Battery Session 2
Chip Cipolato	Flight Trim Techniques
Bill Bishop	Engine Tuning & Repair

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

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ATTENDANCE REWARDS: The membership voted to approve the Attendance Rewards program. A finalized version will be printed and posted on the website.

AEROFEST 2004: No report.

2004 OFFICER NOMINATIONS: A motion was made by Vicar Hernandez, and seconded by Harry Hawthorne to nominate, and re-elect the current incumbent slate of officers: Wally Crichton, President, Bill Bishop, Vice President, and Rick Pellecchia, Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried. There being no other nominees, a motion was made by Art Silver, and seconded by Mike to close the nominations. Motion passed.

2004 SWAP MEET: Vicar advises that they are still waiting for approval from Southland Mall (formerly, Cutler Ridge Mall) management to approve the site for the Swap Meet. The person who will ultimately make the decision is currently on maternity leave. Plan B is to have the event at Coral Gables High School parking lot...stay tuned.

NEW BUSINESS

TEMPORARY FIELD CLOSEURE: President, Wally Crichton advised the membership that our field would be closed to all flying activity effective immediately pursuant to AMP's Field Rule #10. It seems that the farm workers are harvesting the okra crop in the fields north of the east/west runway and west of the north/south runway. Field Rule #10 specifically prohibits all flying activities when workers are in these areas. Stay tuned for e-mail updates on the field status. Hopefully, by the time you read this, the suspension will have been lifted.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS: The Club will cease to spend any more money on road improvements until it can be determined who are the legal

owners of the properties we're improving; (North/South power-line road West of the field, and the perimeter road that runs adjacent to the berm). Art Silver has volunteered to research this question, and report back to the membership.

2004 CLUB DUES: For those of you who will be renewing their membership for the first time, and those of us that need reminding, your membership renewal goes like this:

- You must have a **2004 AMA MEMBERSHIP CARD** when renewing your membership; include a copy if renewing by mail. **NO 2004 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PROOF OF CURRENT AMA MEMBERSHIP.**
- 2004 dues of \$100.00 (\$1.00 Junior's) is due not later than 1/31/04
- A \$10.00 surcharge will be assessed for dues not paid in January 2004.
- Any member not paying their dues plus surcharge by February 28, 2004 will have their membership revoked.
- For those members having their membership revoked under the aforementioned circumstances can be reinstated into the club by first becoming and paying an associate member fee, and repeating the new membership process.
- Please avoid any penalties, and renew your dues on time.

During January, dues may be paid at the flying field to any Club Officer who may be present.

MEMBERSHIP

Let's extend a warm AMP's welcome to the following new member(s): James G. Finocchiaro, Jose R. Ramirez, and Jorge Ramos.

The following Associate Member(s) were scheduled to be voted in, but failed to show up for the meeting: R.

Alves, A. Prieto, and W. Volk.

The following Associate Members are due to be voted into the club at our next meeting on December 11, 2003: Issa Abedrabbo, Scott L. Henry, Marten Verheggen, and Wilson K. Wenich. 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 **December 11, 2003** will be: **\$8.33**. 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 revocation 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 pin(s), and have not received it, please contact Rick at (305)

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Club Management

President — Wally Crichton
 Vice President — Bill Bishop
 Secretary Treasurer — Rick Pellecchia
 Safety Committee Chairman — John Mitchell
 Field Engineer — Frank Drewniany
 Event Committee Chairman — Vicar Hernandez
 Chief Instructor — Bill Bishop
 Newsletter Editor & Web Master — Wally Crichton

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, Carlos Zuniga — (305) 856-4157
 Check Pilot, John Mitchell — (305) 388-2763
 Check Pilot, Tony Fandino — (305) 693-1374
 Check Pilot, Mike Cipolato — (305) 274-3835
 Check Pilot, Abraham Horta — (305) 205-2906

Club Sponsors

Crown Hobbies 7439 Coral Way (305) 264-3964	Hobby Nut 12679 Dixie Hwy (305) 235-9584
Warrick Hobbies 7676 Peters Road Ft Lauderdale (954) 424-0605	

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 8:00 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

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232-4827. Please be reminded that Club Rule #6 was amended to require that all members are mandated to 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.



President's Plugs — Cont.

like that and maybe someday we can return the favor.

On a more sour note, we still have members who are not taking their trash home with them. They're leaving it for others to haul away and the little bag Bill Green leaves is not big enough to hold it all. As a result, trash is left all over the ground and that's inexcusable. We're all grown-ups and we shouldn't have to have someone else pick up after us. And, to make matters worse, this week the bag contained empty beer bottles! I'd like to think it's non-members, but just in case it's not, let me remind you, consuming alcoholic beverages anywhere on AMP'S property is strictly forbidden. I hope that's enough said.

Okra Pickers Close Down AMP'S Field

by Wally Crichton

As of the newsletter's publishing deadline we still have pickers working in the field around our flying site and they expect to continue for another two weeks. Discussions with the workers indicate they are going to alternate picking in the northern part of the field one day and in the western part the next. This should mean we can fly off the opposite runway without violating rule number 10. However, if in doing so, take offs or landing approaches are over any workers, we still can't fly.

Our agricultural expert members say Okra is very cold sensitive and they say even moderately cold weather will

make the produce unsellable.

As you know, this past weekend a cold front came through and the night time temperatures went down into the low 50's and possibly in the 40's out there. We'll have to wait and see, but this may have shortened their picking time. It's all in the hands of Mother Nature, but it shouldn't be too much longer.

An after effect of all the farm vehicles used during this extended picking session is the impact its had to our west entrance road. Many of the potholes have been smoothed out and the road is now two lanes wide. On the other hand, most of the "Rip Rap" paving material we put down is gone or covered up.

A growing number of members are beginning to feel maintaining this road is throwing good money after bad.



LEIDNER'S ROASTED LIMERICKS

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

Amps has a new poet, Ralph Leidner,
Retired from the job of Tooth Whitener.

What he's trying to do,
Is combine the two,
And give you a written smile widener.

Money sure doesn't buy much lately,
look what we got for four Bills!

Have you learned of the fate of Bill Green,
Who once set his engine too lean?
As you might guess,
This fried the O. S.,
And grounded his flying machine.

Do you know about William Lancaster?
With a full scale Pitt's, he's a master.

But the son-of-a-gun,
Flew his CAP through the sun,

And created an R/C disaster.

How many of you know Billy Chestoks,
Who flies in the skies, with the best folks?

He made the name "Panic"
As famed as "Titanic",
To live on, even after the goat croaks.

Next there's chief pilot Bill Bishop,
Who instructs all new guys he can fish up.
So now while they try,
To learn how to fly,
They hear every tip he can dish up.

Having finished with the four "Bills",
it's time to rhyme a few more members.

Head carpenter Mike Cipolato,

Lives far away from our grotto.
So, while I spoof,
He sits on the roof,
And hammers out quite a staccato.

Lucky traveling man Nick Capone,
Didn't trek, to Bomber Field, all
alone.

The tales of that trip,
Make a modeler flip,
Like a dog, who, drools for a bone!

Adventurous "Buckeye" Jim Rose.
Arrives from the North, when it
snows.

To bring model filled cars,
Plus 'scopes, for the stars,
Takes two trips, including his clothes.

WW II Combat Pilot Don Romer,
Was a hero as famous as Homer.
He made the Hun run,
With his P-51,

Though 'twould be safer, in a state-
side Beachcomber!

The worst flying day for John
Mitchell,
Was a day in his history, which will,
Cause him to recall,
Humpty Dumpty's great fall,
And how his Extra, indeed, did a
ditch fill.

A sensitive guy, Charles Driggers,
Dislikes one nickname, (but who fig-
ures?)
Please don't test your luck,
By calling him "Chuck",
Or you'll risk giving jobs to Grave
Diggers!

Surely you all know Frank Drowniany,
Just won't sit around on his fanny.
It takes his firm grip
To improve our strip,
And care for the grass, like a
granny.

Remember our member Jim Allbright?
He hoped his plane's flight would be

all right.
But it had an attack,
And hit on its back,
So he stayed up rebuilding it all
night!

Our president who's Wally Crich-
ton,
Just wants all the club to
enlighten.
He pens our newsletter,
Which couldn't be better,
And spends flyin' time, doin'
writin'

Perhaps you have heard of Clive
Mayo,
Who stands on the pad, and sings,
"Day-O".
He was having a ball,
When his plane took a fall,
And crashed from a Technical
Kayo.

That's all for this month!

BCRCA R/C Flea Market and Swap Shop

Hosted By:

Broward County Radio Control Association

DEC 14th Sunday

9 AM to 2 PM

Bring your own tables and shade.
No table charges. Active flying field
so please secure all radio
transmitters.



Markham Park Flying Field
State Road 84 & Weston Road
Sunrise, FL



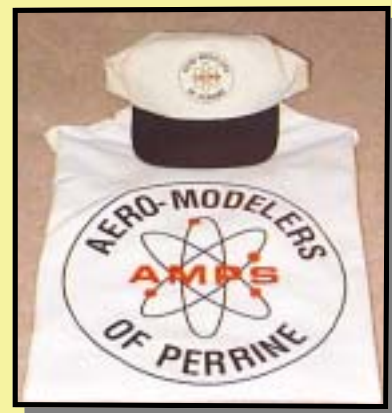
Contact: Stan Rudd
305 931-7188
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**Don't Forget — Your 2004
Club Dues are Due in January!**
Avoid a \$10 Penalty, Pay On Time!

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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