

Osceola Flyers Newsletter

September 2006



Presidential Words

Saturday, October 21, we will be having our Fall Fly-In Festival. Changing our annual fly-in to the fall was done for several reasons. First, we hope that weather will be more favorable. High winds and temperatures are typical in the spring. Second, the fall time frame will probably result in better attendance levels. Jack is again the Coordinator of the event with Howard the Contest Director.

At the August meeting we discussed sound level policy. Currently the club does not have a sound policy; however the board believes that we should explore this issue. On a few rare occurrences, we have had airplanes that were too loud. How do you define "too loud"? The field rules do not address the sound level, just that all engines (over .10 displacement) must be muffled. Also no flow-through mufflers or straight pipes (un-baffled). This was a good policy when housing was not nearby, however now that we have neighbors, we should consider a more definitive policy. This policy should be measurable and enforceable.

In order to report back to the general membership with a recommendation, we will begin recording sound levels of airplanes using a decibel meter. A pre-measured distance will be setup and we will record the sound level, running at full throttle, on the muffler side of the airplane at a distance of 9 feet. With this information, we should then be able to establish a sound policy that is clear and concise.

At the last club meeting, we discussed the installation of one of our field improvements the addition of a stone type material under the shade structures. It was decided to use Grey marble, which will be delivered in the next two weeks. A wood border will be installed around the perimeter to contain this ground cover. We will need volunteers with rakes and shovels to level the stones, date to be advised.

We are currently working on a new transmitter impound and plan on having it in place prior to the Oct Fly-in. If you haven't been out lately, a new flag pole has been installed by Kenny.

Till next month.

Bob Vanderbrook

Club Work Day

The club workday scheduled for September 8, was cancelled. The new date is Saturday September 30th. Same format, we will need members with rakes and shovels to assist in the spreading of the stone chips under the shade and impound areas, plus the erection of the new Impound box,

Grass Cutting

Kenny had a new volunteer for grass cutting this month, Harold Sutphin, so on behalf of the club, Thank you..

AMA Magazine

For any of you who missed it, on Page 158 of this months magazine, in the Aero Mail, is a very nice letter from a visitor to our club, (Frank P), from NY, who praises our club for both it's condition, and the hospitality he received.

Kudos' to all those members who made this guy welcome.

Of course our president now has a new name (read the letter). His new name is "Obert" Vanderbrook. So in future, could all members address him by his new familiar first name "OB"

Aerial Photographs

I now own a complete Aerial photography system, complete with blimp, radio controlled camera's, video transmitter and receiver downlink to a monitor on the ground station.

I can control the rotation, angle and zoom of the camera, as I can see what the camera sees.

I will be demonstrating the system at the Fly-In, plus taking pictures from various heights.

Safety Matters

Once again, a reminder that flying is only allowed within 1,000 feet of the runway, either left, right or straight out. There is **NO** flying behind the imaginary line running down the edge of the runway, irrespective of how far out you are flying.

Who said Right hand turns are difficult.....

Also, for our Rotary winged Pilots. Please remember, you are **NOT ALLOWED** to cross the threshold at the west end of the runway. Nor are you allowed to over-fly the car-park area. The helicopter arc is approx 180 degrees on a South West Heading.
i.e. If you are facing the hovering area, you can ONLY turn 90 degrees right or left. And can ONLY fly directly in-front, out as far as the road. Do not cross the road.

Osceola Flyers

Osceola Flyers is a Private Flying club, we pay our membership fees specifically for that purpose.

But it has come to the attention of the board, that there are "certain" people, who are coming to the club on various days, especially late afternoon,. Who are not members, and feel they can fly for free.

Sad to say, we have been told these are a group of rotary wing pilots, who seem to take great pleasure in "Bragging Rights", by being unable to keep their mouths shut, and are bragging to anyone who will listen, that "they" don't need to pay any fees, they can fly for free.....

A note to all members, that the Board will look at disciplinary action, including expulsion and the issuance of a trespass notice against any member found aiding and abetting these low life's, Plus Trespass notices against these loud mouthed braggarts who abuse the club facilities.

A reminder to all members:

If you don't know someone—please introduce yourself and ask who they are.

Last person out locks the gate at the Fire Station. If you don't know the code, please ask a Board Member.

Fall Fly-In

The time is getting very near for our second Fly-In of the year. Hopefully a huge success for the club.

The weather should be cooler, hopefully no rain, and that the wind gods favor us with a down the runway breeze.

I would still like a list of members who intend to fly on the day, and the model they will be flying. Plus, a list of models members intend to bring from their hangers for the static display.

At the September meeting, a couple more members offered their services, which was very good of them.

But one young man that volunteered, I feel needs a special thank you, as he is a Junior Club member. Wil Gacy Jr. A very good young pilot, and a wonderful example to some of our more "lethargic" members. Thanks Wil.

It is still the intention to try and fly models by type/ Era. So get me those names/details quickly please.

We also still need tables and shade areas,

Joe King has a huge amount of prizes for the raffle, his letter writing campaign to suppliers and dealers has paid off in huge dividends.

Everything from complete ARF's/Kits to cup holders. Well done Joe.

The vendor roster is growing, and if all attend who have said they will, it should be a great turn out.

Don't forget to bring your for sale or swap items. Operate out of the back of your car, or set up a table and do some trading.

The normal car park area will only be open to vendors. The area near the car track will be for member and visiting pilots parking. Visitor parking will be behind the car track.

Lance and I are writing to the newspapers and TV stations, hoping to generate some interest, and perhaps some good publicity from the event.

Don't forget, we are also hosting Give Kids The World, and hopefully allowing some of them to fly.

**Halloween Air Show &
AMA Sanctioned Fly-In
OCTOBER 21**

8 AM - 4 PM

**COME AND SHOW OFF YOUR MODEL AT OUR
PRE-HALLOWEEN AIR SHOW/FLY-IN**

**Pre Wright Brothers, WWI, WWII, SPADS, Heli's, Warplanes, Gliders, Electrics,
Spaceships, Drones, Modern, Ancient, Rocket, Jet, Thrown-Together, Passen-
ger, Military.**

You name it; we will offer you the chance to show it off.

**NO LANDING FEES, Private Tented area and, light refreshments for all
visiting pilots.**

Allocated time slots for Models/Types/Era

Demonstration Flights

Concessions,

Static Displays,

Vendors,

Swap area,

Raffle.

350 * 50 Ft, groomed grass runway

**DRESS UP YOUR AIRCRAFT, AND/OR YOURSELF AND
CELEBRATE AN EARLY HALLOWEEN WITH US.**

PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED MODEL AND PILOT.

Osceola Flyers are also supporting

the charity **"Give Kids the World"** at this event. There will be representatives at
the field from this tremendously deserving charity, and there will be donation tins at vari-
ous locations around the field.

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