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#1140

The Tail Spinner

Greater Southwest Aero Modelers

P.O. Box 1355

Bedford, TX 76021

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2003 AMA Gold Leader Club

The Greater Southwest Radio Control Club is a nonprofit organization. Membership is nondiscriminatory and open to anyone who agrees to abide by Club rules. A condition of membership for insurance purposes is current affiliation with the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). Our flying field is located on the North side of Randol Mill Road, 0.4 miles East of Highway 820 at N 32°46.895' W 97° 12.361'. Visitors are welcome whenever the gate is unlocked. Free flight training instruction is available to members from 6:00 PM to dusk on Tuesday and Thursday while Daylight Savings Time is in effect. Regular Club meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the North Richland Hills Parks and Recreation Building, 6720 Northeast Loop 820, North Richland Hills, TX 76180 (on the corner of Rufe Snow and NE820).

Next Meeting:

**Tuesday, July 13
7:00pm
At the Field
AUCTION!!!**

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SecretarySonny Coleman.....(817) 281-3010
TreasurerFrank Mobley.....(817) 461-2278
Newsletter EditorRoy Baker(817) 545-4031

President's Corner

Safety First is a creed that we try to exercise when we are participating at the flying field. Accidents do happen, but by using caution, common sense and abiding by the rules many accidents can be avoided. While at the field this morning I was witness to an accident where one of our members received a very bad prop cut. This is not a case of sticking a hand in a prop, this injury was the result of a natural instinctive reaction. The airplane was properly place on the starting stand and the engine started. The pilot was standing in front of the stand. As the pilot revved up the engine the torque was so great that the plane started to pull the stand over, and did what most of us would do naturally, he reached for the plane to keep it from falling and, unfortunately, was struck in the arm by the prop.



As a child, I was always taught that there is a positive side to every negative, so what can we learn from this accident to help us avoid a similar incident? Ok, let's assume that all planes under full power, while on the stand, have the power to upset the starting stand. Next, what can we do to avoid this? How about always making sure that you are standing behind the airplane while you rev the engine. How about having someone hold the plane on the

stand. Keep this in mind the next time you are out at the stand revving up your engine. Remember, Safety First.

IT'S AUCTION TIME!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Let number 13 be your lucky number this month!!!!!! That's the date of our next meeting, Tuesday July 13th, 7:00 pm at the field.

Bring your stuff as the auction will replace the meeting. This is a great opportunity to buy and sell R/C stuff. We will have lights so don't let the darkness scare you away. This is our second club auction. There were some great deals at the first one and Lawrence Harville tells me this one will be even better. You will also be helping the club as GSW receives 10% of the bid. Just remember, one mans junk is another mans treasurer.

Despite the rain and wind we had 28 attend the June meeting. Roy Baker, editor of the Tail Spinner gave an excellent presentation about what it takes to produce our monthly newsletter and get it delivered to the membership by email or USPS. Web Master Sonny Coleman, gave a very informative presentation about using our website, flygsw.org. Due to some increasing wind and rain that evening, Sonny's presentation had to be cut short. I feel that this is so important that Sonny will be scheduled to continue the presentation at the September meeting. Two items of business sparked lots of discussion and debate. These items were the newsletter and the "Spirit of GSW" award.

July Event Calendar

JULY 10--Seagoville, TX (C) Dallas R/C Scale Fly-In Site: Club Field, Seagoville, TX Monty Rorie CD, 8328 Barbaree, Dallas, TX 75228 Phone: 214-324-0689(both) Sponsor: Dallas R/C Club #609 Any Scale airplane, gas or electric, any size. Just come and fly and have a good time. The runway is 340' concrete. Landing fee: \$10 CD Email: mdrorie@sbcglobal.net

JULY 11--Parker, TX (A) Sailplane Thermal Duration Site: Southfork Ranch, Parker, TX Events: 444 (JSO) Perry Dunlap CD, 10035 Milltrail Drive, Dallas, TX 75238 Phone:214-348-1107(both) Sponsor: Soaring League of North Texas #1957 Awards 5 Places.

JULY 16-18--Odessa, TX (C) The West Texas "Jet FX" Rally Site: Propbusters Field, Odessa, TX Mark Osborn CD, 875 Central 7A, Odessa, TX 79761 Phone:432-580-8828 (day), 432-559-6395(eve) Sponsor: Odessa Prop Busters #618 CD Email: markos-born@allstate.com

JULY 16-18--Benbrook, TX (C) Heli Heat Wave VI Site: Thunderbird Field, Lake Benbrook, TX Chris Berardi CD, 10245 East Rancho Diego Lane, Crowley, TX 76036 Phone:817-935-3371(day), 817-297-1028 (eve) Sponsor: Ft. Worth Thunderbirds #1217 North Texas premier helicopter Fun Fly. \$30 entry includes t-shirt and pilot prizes drawing. CD Email: webmaster@fwthunderbirds.org

JULY 17--San Antonio, TX (A) HOTSS Sail-



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plane Contest Site: Woodlake Mid. School, San Antonio, TX Events: 460 (JSO) Gene Trevino CD, 9 Serena, San Antonio, TX 78248 Phone:210-479-7650(both) Sponsor: Heart Of Texas Soaring Society #2203 RES

Sailplane Contest. 1st -3rd cash awards. CD Email: genetrevino@prodigy.net

JULY 17-18--Mt. Pleasant, TX (C) Northeast Texas R/C Club Big Bird Fun Fly Site: Lake Bob Sandlin, Mt. Pleasant, TX Weldon Freeman CD, P.O. Box 251, Mt. Pleasant, TX 75456-0251 Phone:903-577-6544(day), 903-572-6931(eve) Sponsor: Northeast TX R/C Club #866 Registration \$25. Pilot meeting 9 a.m. Saturday. Concessions. Saturday lunch free to registered pilots. Give aways and raf-fles. See web site for more details: www.clubnetrc.com CD email: freeman@1starnet.com

JULY 17-18--Midland, TX (C) CAF/Hi Sky Indoor Fun Fly and Swap Meet Site: CAF Museum, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland, TX Mike

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Tail Spinner Submissions

Items for the Tail Spinner are due by the 25th of the month. Remember that ads are free to members. Send them to:

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3303 Fox Glen
Colleyville, TX 76034
(817) 545-4031

(e-mail) rbaker19@comcast.net

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June Secretary's Notes

It has been brought to my attention that 150 of our members have a computer. It would seem only reasonable that all of these members would be getting their Tail Spinner by email or downloading off of the website. Not so, I have been informed. Forty-eight of these members have elected to receive their Tail Spinner through the mail (USPS). We know it cost \$1.00 to print and mail a Tail Spinner. Now let's see, if we take \$1.00 time 48 Tail Spinners, that equal \$48.00 per month or a total of \$576.00 per year for these members to receive their Tail Spinner. That amount would sure be a big help in paying the water bill. Give it some thought Fellas.

Everybody seemed to be in favor of the "Spirit of GSW" award. At the August meeting I will appoint a committee to work out the details and present the results to the club for a motion of approval or disapproval.

In This Tail Spinner you will find a survey that I would like to have every member complete and bring to the field. I will have a large envelope on the bulletin board where you can put the completed survey. Just trying to get an idea of what the membership is thinking about certain issues. Your help is greatly appreciated.

See you at the Auction,

Lewie Moore
President

6/8/2004 meeting was called to order by Club President Lewie Moore at the flying field. (in the rain)

Members in attendance: 28

Visitors: Aubrey McManus

The minutes of the May meeting as printed in the newsletter were approved

Treasurers Report: Frank Mobley gave the treasurers report. The monthly major expenses included brush hogging the outer perimeter (\$150.00) and the new chain link safety fence (\$365.89)

Field Report: Steve French gave the field report, 6- volunteers are needed to help water the field three times a week. The watering detail would be on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The next work day is June 26th, workers are needed at the flying field and at the pond.

Flight Instructor Coordinator: Max Ficken reported that there have been very few good training days available for training students to fly.

Safety Officer: John Bradley reported that there have been no serious safety issues in the past month and that there are two assistant safety officers to recognize, Walt Fisher and Mark Fuess.

Old Business:

Mall Show Standings As Follows:
First Place Sonny Coleman – P-51D Mustang, Second Place Doug Adams – Fokker Triplane, Third Place James McGuinness – Stinson Reliant, Fourth Place Lawrence Harville – Supermarine Spitfire

July Club Auction: The Club Auction will be held in the place of the July club meeting. The auction is a great event for buying and selling R/C gear. The sale will be held at the club field so bring your unwanted R/C planes, engines, batteries, radio gear out for the sale.

New Business:

Christmas Party 2004 : The club Christmas party is set for December 5th

at the Main Street BBQ restaurant. The Christmas Party committee includes Lawrence Harville, Gary Stephens and George Clark.

Pond Flying Site Shelters: On June 26th a work crew of at least six workers will be needed to help construct a replacement shelter at the pond flying site. The original shelter was blown down during a storm.

New Business:

Spirit Of GSW Award: The creation of an annual award to recognize exceptional members of the Greater Southwest Aero Modelers club was discussed. Further discussions will be required before the award will be accepted by the membership.

Program: Roy Baker explained what it takes to get "The Tail Spinner" newsletter into member's mailboxes and email. Sonny Coleman explained how the "Flygsw.org" website works.

Sonny Coleman - Secretary
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Sonny@flygsw.org

Hello Club members.

My name is Mark Grohe, a local club member, and I am interested in purchasing your new or used RC equipment. I pay only in cash, and can handle large quantities. Give me a call at 682-552-6494 (local Fort Worth number) or email me at mgrohe@yahoo.com.

Member Ad

Old gliders, am radios and 049 engines wanted , Keith White,,will pick up.. call me 817-843-5677 pager anytime.

GSW JULY MEETING

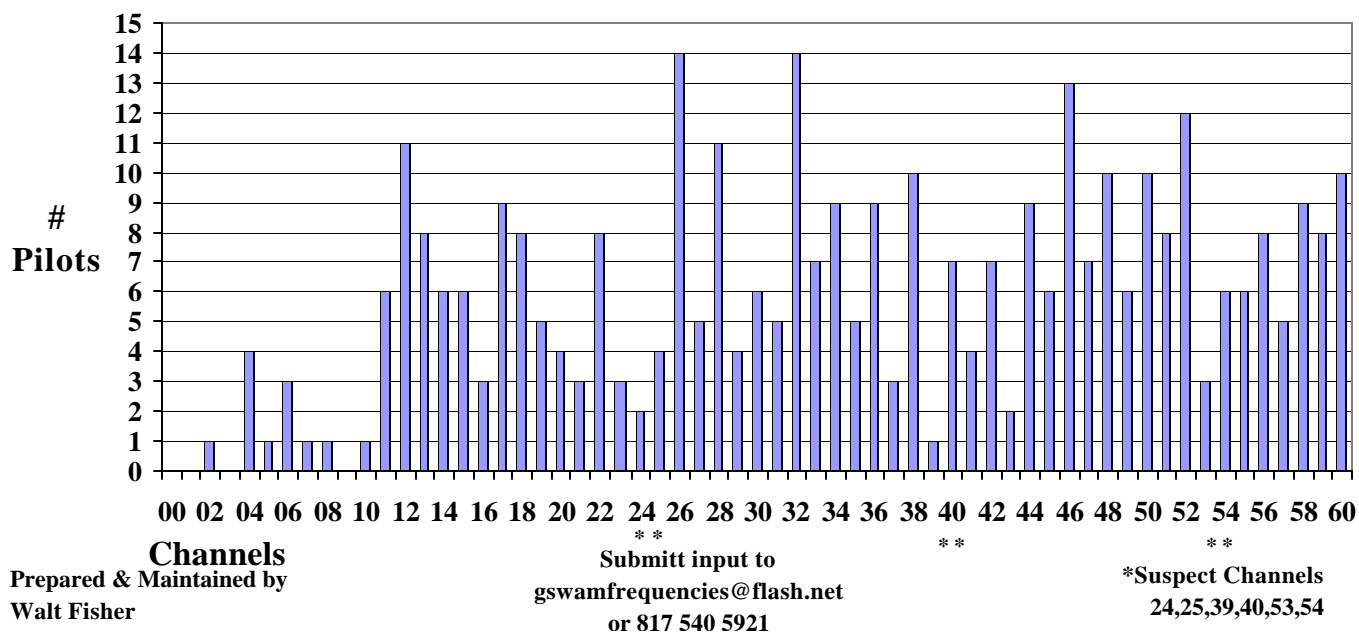
AGENDA:

AUCTION:

**BRING STUFF AND
TAKE HOME STUFF**

HAVE A GOOD TIME!!!

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Greater SouthWest Aero Modeler's Club
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**From The GSWAM
 Safety Officer**

I'd like to start off this month's letter by complimenting our new fence. It not only looks great, it also allows for better viewing when sitting down. However, we can still use some work in the area of safety. I was approached at this month's meeting and was asked to write about helicopters.

First, all field and safety rules apply to helos just like they do for fixed wing aircraft. There are a few other rules that apply specifically to helos as well:

- 1) only 3 helos may fly at one time,
- 2) Helos must not be under the overhead shelter during engine start or engine run-up.
- 3) Helos may not fly over the main runway or its airspace unless it is not in use, except in an emergency situation.

Most Importantly

4) When flying helos, please make sure you are standing up wind or to the side of the helo during landing. Please do not stand in the flight path during landing.

We only need to think of what happened to the helo flyer in Houston to remind us how important this last rule is.

I look forward to seeing everyone out there and remember to fly safe!

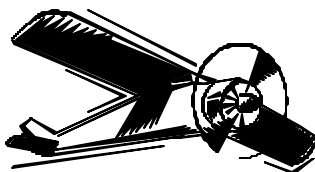
John Bradley
 Safety Officer

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Scott CD, 4619 Bowie, Midland, TX 79703
 Phone:432-262-5132(day), 432-352-6052 (eve) Sponsor: Hi Sky R/C Club #851 Located between Midland and Odessa at the Midland International Airport. Event to be in the large CAF Hangar, just South of the Museum. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$7 admission per day includes museum. Swap meet Saturday only: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Swap tables: \$5 Speed 280 & smaller motors. AMA Card required to fly. CD Email: wtxeflyer@msn.com

JULY 30-AUG 1--Bryan, TX (C) 2nd Annual Big Bird Fly-In Site: Club Field, Wixon Valley, Bryan, TX Alois Wolfe CD, 1905 Water Oak, Bryan, TX 77803
 Phone:979-775-6190(eve) Sponsor: Brazos Valley RC Modelers #1731 RV's Okay, no hook-ups. Map to field on club website; www.flybvrc.com CD Email: clwolfe@cox-internet.com

JULY 31--Sherman, TX (C) TRCM SSC Combat Challenge Site: Club Field, Sherman, TX Kelvin McFadden CD, Rt. 5, Box 53M, Paris, TX 75460 Phone:903-517-9879(day), 903-785-9387(eve) Sponsor: Texoma R/C Modelers #276 CD Email: kmcfadden@neto.com



GSW Aero Survey

Please mark these statements with Agreement or Disagreement in regard to Our Club.

	Agree	Disagree
I appreciate having a convenient Place to Fly that required less than a 15 minute drive To reach the field	_____	_____
I appreciate having a well-groomed grass runway to fly off of.	_____	_____
I expect to help with maintenance of the facilities	_____	_____
I would prefer not to have to help with field maintenance.	_____	_____
I think that the club dues are fair to the members.	_____	_____
I would be willing to pay an additional \$40.00 per month in order To not have to work to maintain the field	_____	_____
I expect to have someone call when work needs to be done.	_____	_____
I check the website to see if there is a scheduled workday.	_____	_____
I have participated in 4 or more work details this year.	_____	_____
I can promise to help with the watering or mowing twice a month Without being called to be reminded and would contact the Coordinator to notify same if I cannot accomplish the task.	_____	_____
I would be available to help with and participate in club activities: Fun Flies, Fly-ins, ECT.	_____	_____
I have no interest in anything but flying on my own for enjoyment.	_____	_____
I am willing to help training of new pilots.	_____	_____
I always read the newsletter	_____	_____
I have been flying models for the past 3 or more years	_____	_____
I have been flying for less than 2 years.	_____	_____



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