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# The Tail Spinner

Greater Southwest Aero Modelers

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**AMA Gold  
Leader Club**

*The Greater Southwest Aero Modelers, Inc. is a nonprofit organization. Membership is nondiscriminatory and open to anyone who agrees to abide by Club By-Laws. A condition of membership for insurance purposes is current affiliation with the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). Our flying field is located at 6903 Randol Mill Road, 1/4 mile east of exit 26 off of Loop 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 Monday and Wednesday while Daylight Savings Time is in effect. Regular Club meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM at the McDonalds Restaurant, 769 W Airport Fwy, Hurst TX. Take the Precinct Line exit, and the McDonalds is on the east bound access road.*

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday  
March 9, 2010  
7:30PM**

**McDonalds  
769 W Airport Fwy  
Hurst**

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|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| President .....         | Tim Lovett .....    | (682) 503-6529 |
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## President's Notes

The Chili Cook-off-Fun Fly went well. Mark Foster and Walt Fisher did a bang up job! The weather was a wonderful break from what we have had in recent weeks, too. Walt's chili was voted the best by a landslide. Great job, guys!

As most of you know, we sustained some damage to the shelter due to the weight of the heavy snow when it moved through the area. I think we had about a foot of snow on the shelter and the weight was just too much for it. The damaged materials have been removed and we are about ready to start the repair process. The part of the shelter that is still standing will have some repairs to it, as well. This will amount to installing some larger, shouldered bolts into the existing beams. This is just precautionary to make certain we don't have future problems. We will be discussing a work weekend and will get that information out to you. We will be needed volunteers to help. Even if you cannot work at hard labor, you should be able to hand tools, run materials, etc.

Some donations have come into the club for repairs. We are a non-profit organization, but not a charitable organization. I want to be clear about that point. Your donations are very welcome, but they are not tax deductible. I do want to thank those that have already donated monies for the repairs. From what I gather at this point, it looks like we will be spending somewhere between \$3000-5000 to get the shelter back into shape. So, if you so desire, the club can use your help and your dollars. If you have questions, please call.

The Annual Lone Star Combat meet is coming up at the end of March. This is always a big event at GSW. Please plan to attend, compete, help judge, or just to watch! Don't forget about lunch, too. Flying season is upon us! I hope your stable of planes is ready to go. I hope see you at the field!

## GSW Events for 2010

Mall Show March 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>th</sup>.

Lone Star Combat Nationals March 26-28<sup>th</sup>.

Biplane Flyin May 15<sup>th</sup>. Darryl Abby in charge.

Scale Masters Qualifier Lawrence Harville  
Date June 12 & 13

All Scale Flyin First Weekend of October.  
Max Ficken

Food drive Date to be Determined Usually the Second Weekend of November.

Toys for Tots Walt Fisher Date to be determined Usually the Second Weekend in December.

The Schedule is pretty Light. If there is an event you would like to hold and manage for the club I will be happy to assist you in planning but I have other priorities for Saturdays

Event coordinator  
Max Ficken  
[triplane41@att.net](mailto:triplane41@att.net)

## March Event Calendar

MAR 12-14--Somerset, TX (C) 1st Annual Heli Fun-Fly. Site: Somerset Field. GPS Coordinates: 29.2558, -98.6423 Events: Sponsor: San Antonio Propbusters #1227. CD: William Wuest, 13235 Old Corpus Christi Road, Elmendorf, TX 78112. Phone: 210-601-1105(day) 210-633-0339(eve) E-Mail: [wawviper77@peoplepc.com](mailto:wawviper77@peoplepc.com) WebSite: [www.propbusters.org](http://www.propbusters.org) Field Address is 17225 Somerset Rd., Somerset,Tx, 78069 Friday nite, night fly. Lunch for registered pilots, Registration is \$20 per pilot. Field open Noon til dark, Sat & Sun 9am. For additional info visit [www.sarchelis.com](http://www.sarchelis.com)

MAR 26-28--Gainesville, TX (AAA) 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Gainesville Texas Free Flight Champs. Site: Gainesville, Texas, Airport. GPS Coordinates: 33.644974, -97.192955 Events: Cat III: 101, 101C, 124, 150, 153-155, 158, 159 (JSO) 140, 142 (J)(SO); NFFS Events - 1/4A NOS, (1/2A NOS, Early 1/2A NOS), (A B C NOS), NFFS One Design, Classic Towline; SAM Events - .020 Replica, (OT HLG, Catapult Glider); FAC Events - Rubber Scale, Power Scale, WW I & WW II Mass Launch, Jet Catapult Scale, Embryo, Old Time Gas Replica. Sponsor: Texas Cloud Climbers #606. CD: Mike Fedor, 2500 San Diego Dr., Arlington, TX 76015. Phone: (817)480-4825 (day) (817)277-1829(eve) E-Mail: [mmfedor@aol.com](mailto:mmfedor@aol.com) National Cup Contest, site will probably be available for Friday test flying, contact CD for info.

MAR 26-28--Tyler, TX (C) Annual Tyler Modelers Club Helicopter Fun-Fly. Site: Northside RC Airpark. GPS Coordinates:

32.3857138, -95.3270972 Events: Sponsor: Tyler Modelers Club #960. CD: Jerry Truell, 2402 Pollard Drive, Tyler, TX 75701. Phone: 903-316-9169(day) 903-316-9169(eve) E-Mail: [jerrytruell@suddenlink.net](mailto:jerrytruell@suddenlink.net) WebSite: [www.tylermodelers.com](http://www.tylermodelers.com) Three day event Starting Friday March 26th thru Sunday March

28th. Landing fee \$20.00 Overnight camping Okay.

MAR 26-28--Fort Worth, TX (A) Lone Star Nationals RC Combat 2010. Site: GWS Club Field. GPS Coordinates: 32.7820305, -97.2053583 Events: 750, 755, 760 (JSO) Sponsor: Greater Southwestern Aero Modelers #1140. CD: Ed Kettler, 6725 Grant Lane, Plano, TX 75024. Phone: 469-867-7981(day) E-Mail: [ed.kettler3@verizon.net](mailto:ed.kettler3@verizon.net) WebSite: [www.flygsw.org](http://www.flygsw.org) Come fly with the best combat pilots in the country at this premier event! Scale 2548 and 3696 on Friday. Open B and SSC on Saturday and Sunday. Spectators welcome. Pilot raffle, Food, electricity on site. AMA and Hard Hats required.

MAR 26-28--Austin, TX (C) Texas Electric Flight Festival. Site: Lester Field. GPS

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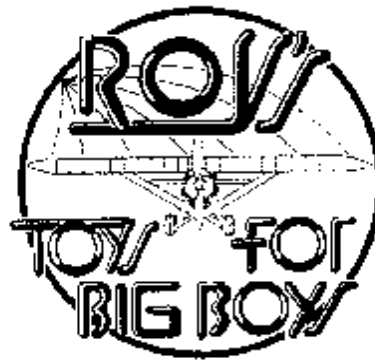
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Roy Baker  
(817) 545-4031  
(817) 455-0922 (cell)

(e-mail) [reb2ntx@verizon.net](mailto:reb2ntx@verizon.net)

## February Secretary's Report

The February 2010 business meeting was called to order by club president Tim Lovett at the McDonalds Restaurant at 769 W. Airport Freeway Hurst, TX 76053.

The business meeting minutes of the January meeting as printed in the newsletter were approved.

**Visitors/New Members:** We welcomed O.M McCarson to the meeting

**Field Report:** Work day cancelled until March

**Old Business:**

**2010 Christmas Banquet:** Christmas Banquet discussion tabled until next month

**GSWAM DFW Auction:** To be held February 13, 2010 at the Temple Baptist Church located at 6824 Randol Mill Rd, Ft. Worth, TX. Item registration begins at 8:15 A.M. and ends at 10:15 A.M. Lunch served from 11:00 – 1:00 P.M.

**Lone Star Nationals 2010 Combat Meet:** The 11th running of the Lone Star

Nationals will occur on March 26-28 at the Fort Worth Greater Southwest Aero Modelers flying facility. This is the largest combat event outside of the NATS and draws competitors from as far away as Wisconsin and California. Three days of combat mayhem, four classes: Friday: Scale WW2 fighters in 2548 and 3696. Saturday and Sunday: SSC and Open B. This is a great spectator's event!

**2010 Mall Show:** The Mall Show will be held at the Northeast Mall on Sat. 03/20/2010 and Sun. 03/21/2010. John Stanzak and Harold Staats will run this year's event. Contact John or Harold as volunteers are needed. The displayed models will be located in front of the Dillard's store in the mall area. Prizes for the mall show winning participants have yet to be determined.

**Security Storage Building:** Frank Rowell will be meeting with a salvage company to see if the old storage building can be removed from the premises for the value of the salvaged building materials.



**New Business:**

**2010 Big Bird Event:** This years Big Bird Fly-In will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September at the GSWAM flying site with

Tim Lovett performing the Contest Director duties. There were some discussions among the club members regarding 3-D flying during the big bird event. The result was a motion was made by the attending club members to restrict all 3-D flying during the event to special flying time slots designated by the event CD. The motion was approved by the attending club members via majority show of hands vote.



**February 2010 Model of the Month:** The February 2010 Model of the Month award was presented to Wesley Blair and his good looking electric powered Aeronica Champ.

**Our McDonalds Restaurant Host:** Be sure to keep your food/drink purchase receipts from our host store, McDonald's #25720 Precinct Line Rd & HWY 183 Hurst, and also four other local McDonald's locations: McDonald's #13021 Belknap St & HWY 177 Haltom City, McDonald's #29446 Precinct Line Rd & Harwood St (Inside Wal-Mart) Hurst, McDonald's #16807 Cheek Sparger & HWY 121 (Inside Wal-Mart) Bedford, McDonald's #10145 Handley-Ederville & HWY 121 Richland Hills. Our five local McDonald's restaurants donate generously to GSWAM club charities, and the donation amount is based on a



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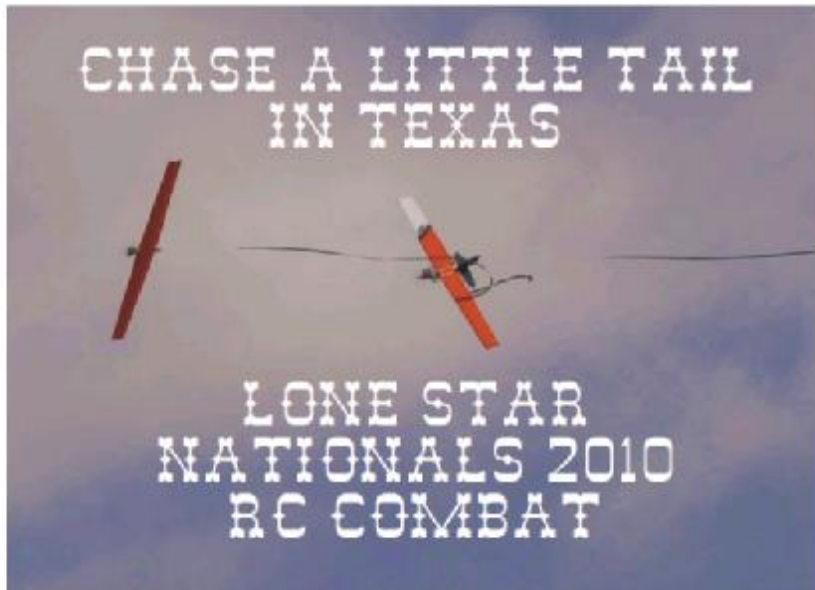
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 Fort Worth Greater Southwest Aero Modelers  
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Events: 2548, 3696, SSC and Open B

Contacts:  
 Bob Leone: 817-907-5432  
 Ed Kettler, CD: 469-867-7981

percentage of total food/drink sales, so hang on to those receipts! Chuck Rovell collects and totals the McDonalds receipts.

**Club Shirts and Hats:** If you would like to purchase a club polo style shirt or cap see Chris or Karen Proctor at the flying field.

**Club Web Site:** Be sure the visit the Greater Southwest Aero Modeler's web site at: <http://www.flygsw.org> . There is a current membership roster in the "Members" area and be sure to check out the club's "Tech" site, there's an abundance of useful information available there.

**Sonny Coleman – Club Secretary**  
 214-415-1921  
[Sonny@flygsw.org](mailto:Sonny@flygsw.org)

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Coordinates: 30.32401, -97.6033 Events:  
 Sponsor: Austin Radio Control Association #877. CD: Robin Masek, 107 Evergreen St., Eglin, TX 78621. Phone: 512-281-3778(day) 512-925-0064(eve) E-Mail: [knelle@swbell.net](mailto:knelle@swbell.net)  
 WebSite: [www.austinrc.org](http://www.austinrc.org) Any Size Electric Airplane Fun-Fly. Free Open flying Friday starting at 10a.m. Saturday, field opens at 8a.m. Pilot's meeting at 9a.m.. Saturday evening night fly. Pilot registration- \$20 at field Saturday. Free pilot lunch Saturday. Sunday, field opens at 9a.m. Mega raffle, Big prizes, Factory Demos; Seminars basic to Advanced. Food and beverages available. RV Electric hook-ups@\$10 per night, no water. 110V plug in at setup tables. Pilot must have current AMA cards.

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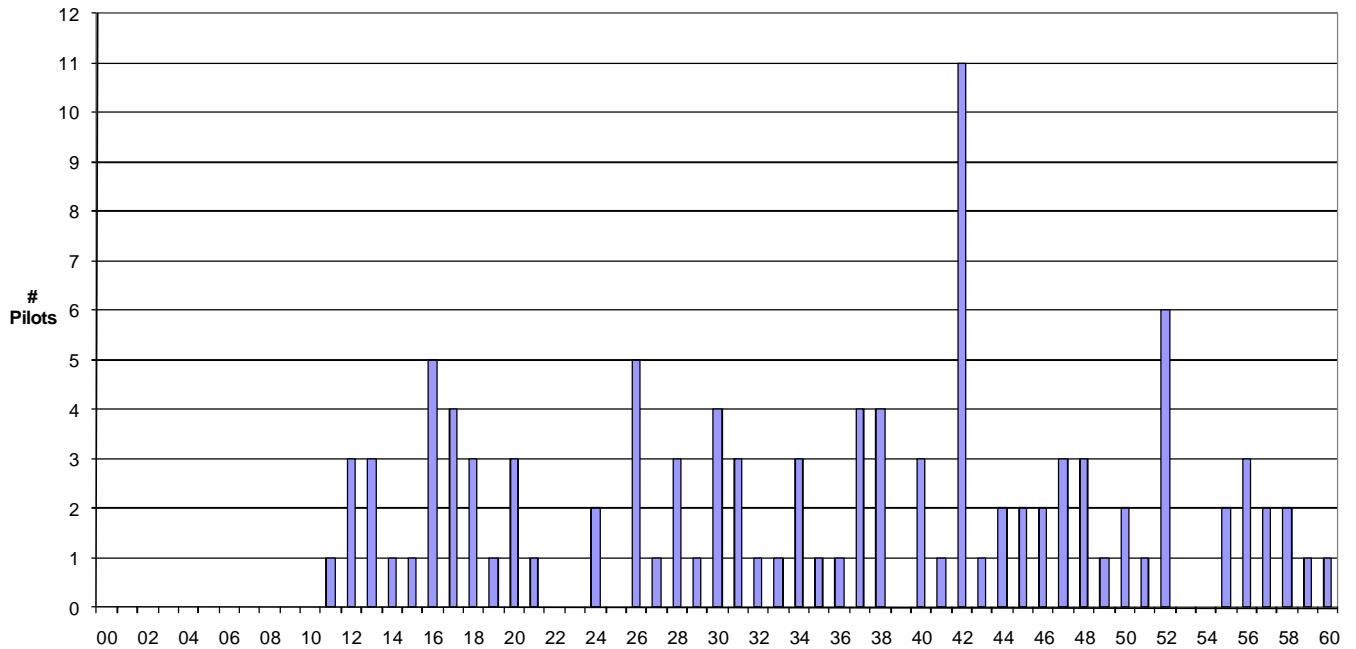
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**2010 February  
 Greater Southwest Modeler's Club  
 Frequency/Channel Usage**



**NOTICE! There is interference on channels 24, 25, 39, 40, 53, and 54, therefore flying on these channels is banned.**