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# The Tail Spinner

## Greater Southwest Aero Modelers

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<http://www.flygsw.org>



### 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  
7:00PM  
November 11, 2003**

<b>President</b> .....	Lewie Moore.....	(817) 571-0347
<b>Vice President(s)</b> .....	Steve French .....	(817) 284-0875
<b>Secretary</b> .....	Craig Bevil.....	(817) 282-3340
<b>Treasurer</b> .....	Frank Mobley.....	(817) 461-2278
<b>Newsletter Editor</b> .....	Roy Baker .....	(817) 545-4031

#### President's Corner

My column this month will emphasize having pride and involvement in your greater Southwest Aero modelers membership. I have always tried to live by a philosophy that my Dad had. What ever you do, always give it 100%, that way you will have pride in whatever endeavor you undertake. In other words, give it your best shot.



One of the first goals I had when I took the office of president, was to get our club qualified for the distinguished Gold AMA Leader Club Award. Last week I received a letter from AMA dated October 21, 2003 congratulating GSW for qualifying as a 2003 Gold AMA Leader Club. This is a real honor as not many AMA clubs obtain this award. The "Leader Club" status recognizes our positive contributions to the sport of aero modeling. Thanks to James McGuines, Walt Fisher and Chuck Rovell for doing all the leg work, documentation and paper work in completing this goal. Each GSW member will be receiving a Gold Leader Club pin. I should be receiving these in the near future.

During the Southwestern Aeromodelers Conference, Frank and I attended several seminars sponsored by AMA. The most important seminar was about our AMA insurance program and accident

prevention at the flying site. I was surprised at the severity of some of the prop accidents that have happened this year. One fella had his left arm severed just above the elbow by a 22" prop. Another fella had his left buttocks cut off by a 22" prop. More disturbing was the fact that 2 young children ( 22 months and 11 years of age) each lost an eye as spectators in the pit area of their respective flying site. One was hit by a broken prop and the other hit by an out of control plane. Hopefully this will motivate our members who bring their children out to the field. PLEASE OBSERVE OUR RULE AND SIGN ABOUT NO CHILDREN IN THE PIT AREA. PLEASE DO A BETTER JOB OF WATCHING YOUR CHILDREN AT THE FIELD. IF YOU CAN NOT WATCH THEM, FOR THEIR SAFETY, THEY SHOULDN'T BE THERE. IT CAN BE A VERY DANGEROUS ENVIRONMENT.

As a result of attending these meeting I have come up with another objective that I would like to implement. During the January meeting I would like to appoint a Safety Director. This needs to be a member that can spend some time at the field, diplomatically enforcing the club and AMA rules. You will need to write a monthly safety column in the Tailspinner each month, give a report at each meeting and have a safety meeting once a year. I personally feel that we are a relatively safe club as to my knowledge we have never had a major accident. The idea of having a Safety Director is to assist members with accident prevention. Safety is everyones responsibility. I am looking for volunteers .

## November Event Calendar

NOV 8--Midland, TX (C) RSVP Fly-In Site: Club Field, Midland, TX Glen Tabor CD, 4506 Meredith Place, Midland, TX 79707  
Phone:432-689-3732(both) Sponsor: Hi-Sky RC Club #851 Bring a trainer and teach a kid to fly. Proceeds benefit retired seniors and volunteers program. Everyone welcome. CD Email: gtabor23@grandecom.net Event Web Site: HiSkyRC.com

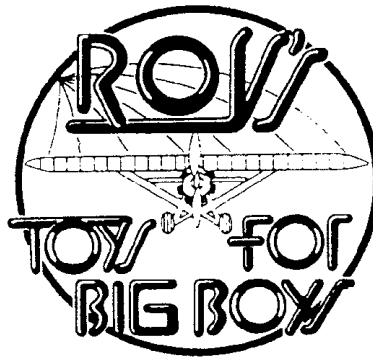
NOV 8--Longview, TX (UnSanc) Fall Fun Fly. Site Longview Flying Field, Longview, Texas. Sponsor: East Texas Aeromodelers #1260. Event Director: Charles Warren 903-758-3759. Candy Drop for the kids. Fly what you bring, AMA Sanctioned field, AMA license required. Lunch for all registered pilots. 9a.m. til dark. \$10 landing fee. Spectators are free (bring your lawn chairs). See the club web site at <http://www.easttexasaeromodelers.com>

NOV 8-9--Humble, TX (A) November SSC and Open B RC Combat Site: Jetero RC, Humble, TX Events: 755 (JSO) Pat Wilcox CD, 1927 Running Springs, Kingwood, TX 77339  
Phone:281-358-1750(both) Sponsor: Jetero RC #1218 RCCA Rules SSC - Slow Survivable Combat and AMA

Rulebook 755 - Open B Combat. CD  
Email: [pwillcox@kingwoodcable.net](mailto:pwillcox@kingwoodcable.net)

NOV 9--Murphy, TX (A) Sailplane T3 Thermal Duration Site: South

Fork Ranch, Murphy, TX Events: 444(JSO) Gerry Walton CD, 9730 Forest Ridge, Dallas, TX 75238  
Phone:214-349-9634 Sponsor: Soaring League Of North Texas #1957



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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:

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

(e-mail) [rbaker19@comcast.net](mailto:rbaker19@comcast.net)

## October Secretary's Notes

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No minutes this month.

## November Agenda

Call to order

Approval of the minutes of the October meeting and printed in the newsletter

Treasurer's report

Field report - Steve French

Flight Instructor Coordinator - Max Ficken

### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Gold Leader Club Award
2. C.A.P update - Chuck Rovell
3. Christmas Party ticket sales
4. 2004 membership renewals
5. Logo and shirts
6. Any other old business

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Update electrical wiring at the field
2. Resignation of Secretary and election
3. Request for Safety Director
4. Any other new business

PROGRAM: Bob Leone: Building scale combat aircraft

MODEL OF THE MONTH:

RAFFLE AND DRAWING FOR FUEL

MEETING ADJOURNED:

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## President's Corner—con't

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Members, I need your help. I set a goal of having at least 55 members in attendance at our monthly meeting. Last month we had less than 25. We have 250 members at the last count. I would think that more than 10% would be interested in attending our winter meetings. 55 is only 22%. If any of

you have any ideas on how to improve attendance please let me know. You missed a very impressive program by Stan Brock on collecting antique model airplane engines. He had a great display of engines especially the hand made 5 cylinder radial. Thanks Stan.

Again, the raffle was a great success. Lawrance had \$135.00 worth of model airplane accessories including a \$50.00 gift certificate. Chuck Rovell donated two park flyer kits. Thanks Chuck. Adam Tucker donated a whole box full of 12volt gel cell batteries. Thanks Adam. The club also donated 2 gallons of fuel. I think everyone went home with something in hand. The raffle will be held again next month.

George Clark did a great job of our booth at the Greater Southwestern Aeromodelers Conference. Hopefully this helped bring in a few new members. I would also like to thank everyone who spent their time manning the booth. I know at times it was very busy.

*Lewie Moore, President*

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## All Scale Fly-In

16 pilots registered for our all scale flyin. We had a great day of flying on what has to be one of the prettiest days for an event I can remember. Great food was provided by Jerry and Greg as usual. Thanks a lot for your efforts.

Awards for the various classes were selected by the participants. An AT6 ARF was raffled off and every participant went home with a couple of door prizes.

Best WWI was awarded to Jim Griffin with his Fokker D8.

Best Military was won by Bob Snyder with his Mosquito Twin.

Dick Gunn won best civilian with his beautiful Aeronica L.

Keith Sparks won Pilots Choice with his immaculate Bird Dog

Tony Trimarchi won the Raffle and how is the proud owner of an AT6.

Thanks for the participation.

Max Ficken

## A Note From The Control Line Side:

At the Air Capitol C/L Championships held in Tulsa, Oklahoma on September 27 & 28, 2003, Bill Wilson took 1st Place in Expert Stunt, 1st Place in Classic Stunt, 2nd Place in Flight Streak Stunt Open, and won the "Concours" Award.



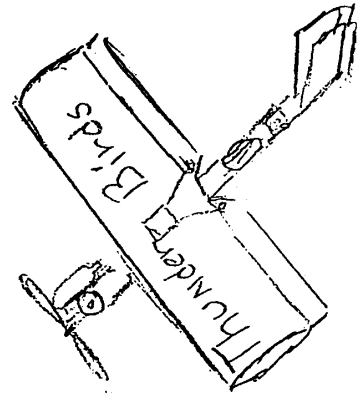
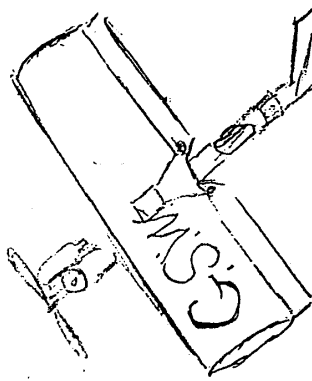
**Bill Wilson & Friends**



**A Group of Happy Spectators  
at the Air Capital Meet**



**Bill Wilson's Hunter**



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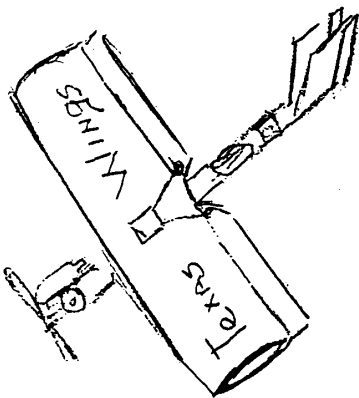
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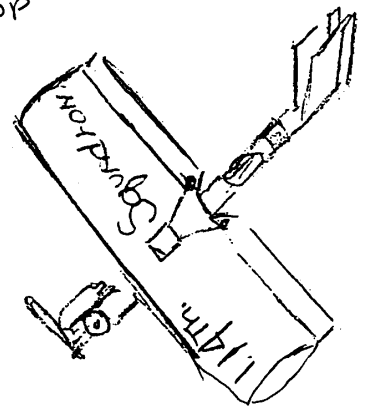
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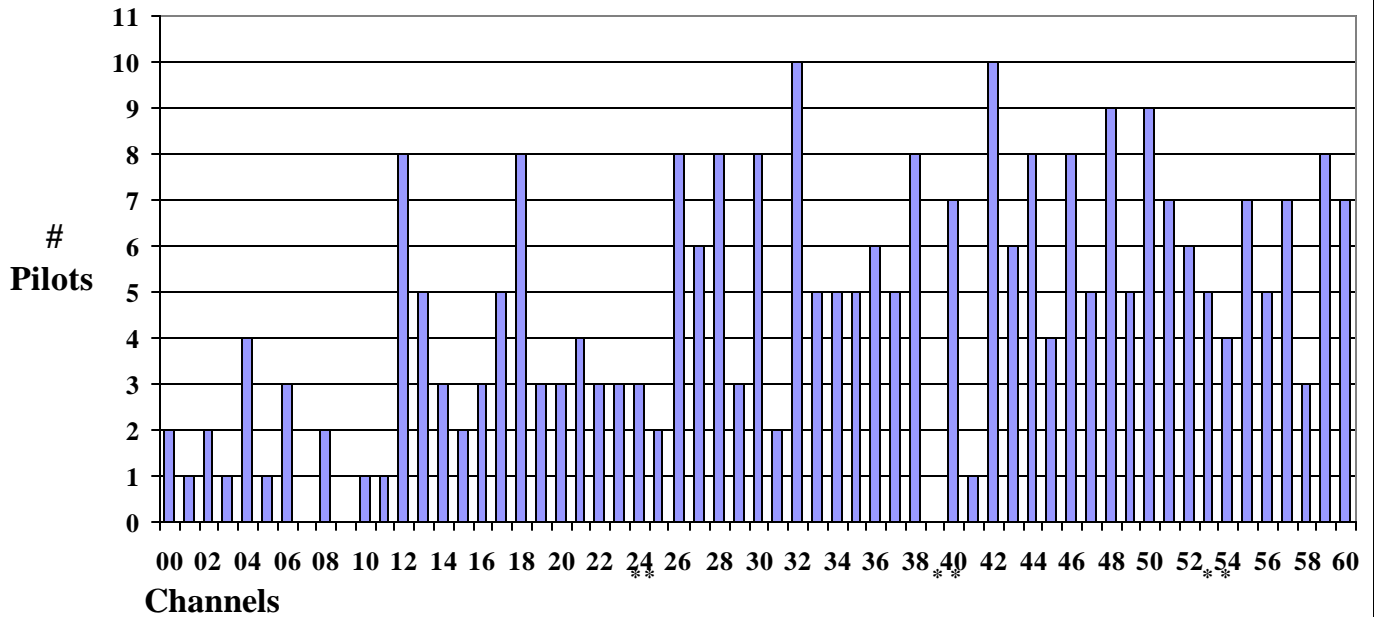
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4 local Clubs  
invited  
Big DAY  
of  
3 Events  
AND FUN!



**Greater SouthWest Aero Modeler's Club  
Frequency/Channel Usage  
25 October 2003**



Prepared & Maintained by  
Walt Fisher

Submit input to  
gswamfrequencies@flash.net  
817 540 5921

\*Suspect Channels  
24,25,39,40,53,54

**FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT**

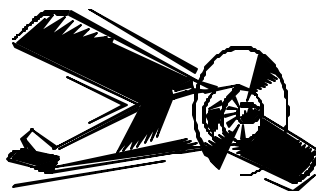
Have you reviewed the monthly Frequency Management Chart posted in the TAILSPINNER or at the field and local hobby shops? Have you submitted the channels that you use for inclusion in the Frequency Management Chart? Presently 131 of 250 members, about 50%, are represented on the Frequency Management Chart. Request those who are not sharing the channels that they use do so. Not submitting your channels gives a false impression that a particular channel is less utilized than indicated on the Frequency Management Chart. In turn that same false impression may cause a member to be inclined to select your channel for his next radio and plane. End result being your channel becomes more crowded because of you not submitting the channels that you use. Which also will mean potentially less flying time for you and others because of having to share the channel with others while at the field.

Please submit the channel(s) that you use and changes to gswamfrequencies@flash.net or call me at c-817 368 6619 or h-817 540 5921.

**From the  
Instructor Coordinator :**

We would like to recognize Larry Wacker for completing his Solo Requirements. We all remember the effort expended and the dedication required to accomplish this feat. Congratulations Larry!! I would also like to recognize Walt Fisher for his efforts in training a number of new pilots including Larry. I have not received a report of anyone else that has soloed so if I have missed anyone please contact me so that you can get proper recognition.

With the change in time the Tuesday and Thursday training will be significantly diminished. Please contact the instructors or myself to schedule times during the week or weekend to continue training. Max Ficken Training Coordinator 817-498-4744, triplane @ charter.net



**Cooling your engine**

If your engine is running hotter than you would like, how can you cool it down? Most people make the mistake of thinking more is better when it comes to the air inlet at the front of the cowl. This is a common error and while it seems logical, the reverse is actually true. To properly cool your engine, you need more outlet, not more inlet. You want at least 2:1—preferably 3:1—air out to air in ratio. Otherwise, it makes a dam and the air cannot come into the cowl because it has nowhere to go out of the cowl. If your engine is not cooling properly, try blocking off the other air inlet or opening the belly of the cowl further.

**Stud threads**

You know those threaded metal studs you get with you Ny-Rods? If you use a small electrical wire nut screwed into one end of the stud, you'll find it much easier to screw the other end into the inner pushrod of the Ny-Rod. It saves the stud threads too.

from the newsletter of the Duluth/ Superior R/C Club  
Joan Johnson, editor  
Knife River MN





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