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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 7:00 PM at the flying field during the summer months and 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) during the winter..*

### Sparky Wows 'Em at SEFF



GSWAM's own Keith Sparks (Sparky) brought back best of show honors from the Southeast Electric Flight Festival at Americus, GA, held April 26-29. Sparky reports that there were 387 pilots participating with over 1800 spectators. This is certainly one of the major national events showcasing all of the current trends with e-flight. I'm glad to see that now that Sparky has won all of our Model-of-the-Month trophies, he's now going for bigger hardware!! Awesome as always!! Congrats...Sparky.

### Next Meeting:

**Tuesday**  
**May 8, 2007**  
**At the Field**  
**7:00PM**

**Work Day May 5, 9:00AM**

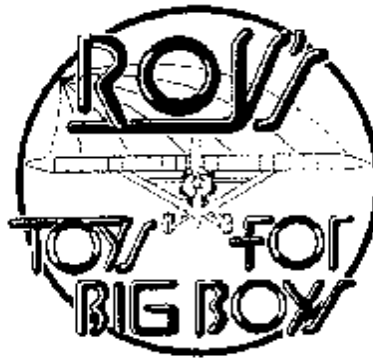


## May Event Calendar

MAY 05--Grand Prairie, TX (C) Swapmeet and Combat Demos. Site: Fulton Field, 2820 E. Seeton Road. Sponsor: Golden Triangle RC Club #610. CD: Bill Kunz, 2301 Brisbane Drive, Arlington, TX 76018-2565. Phone: 817-472-0809(day) 817-472-0809(eve) E-Mail: [bkunz33000@aol.com](mailto:bkunz33000@aol.com) WebSite: [www.gtrcc.org](http://www.gtrcc.org) Bring your friends family, planes and stuff to sell or swap for a day of fun, food, and fellowship. Admission is just \$5 per person or \$10 a carload! Table space limited to first come - first served or bring your own. Combat demos every hour. Gates open at 8a.m.. Directions to Fulton Field are available at <http://www.gtrcc.org>

MAY 05--Lake Palestine, TX (C) Spring Float Fly. Site: Lake Palestine GPS: 32.0987, -95.4251. Sponsor: Aqua Nuts #4739. CD: Jack Hogan, 8642 CR3408, Chandler, TX 75758. Phone: 903-849-4193(day) 903-849-4193(eve) WebSite: [www.floatfly.net](http://www.floatfly.net) Pilots and family alike enjoy this beautiful float fly site with shade trees and easy access to the flying area you fly where you park. See pictures at [www.floatfly.net](http://www.floatfly.net). If you let us know you are coming 10 days prior to the event, landing fees will be \$15. This allows us to plan a great meal. Prepay not required, just a call or email will do. All others \$20.

MAY 12--Seagoville, TX (C) Dallas RC Big Bird. Site: Club Field GPS 32.643464, -96.575892. Sponsor: Dallas RC Club #609. CD: Michael Sandling, 548 W. Rea, Lancas-



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MAY 18-19--Austin, TX (C) Central Texas Jet Rally. Site: Lester Field. Sponsor: Austin Radio Control Association #877. CD: Patrick Fernandez, 1315 Bent Tree, Frisco, TX 75034. Phone: 512-826-2658(day) 512-826-2658(eve) E-Mail: [patf111@hotmail.com](mailto:patf111@hotmail.com) WebSite: [www.austinrc.org](http://www.austinrc.org) 18th Annual Central Texas Jet Rally. Spectators welcome.

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

(e-mail) [rbaker19@tx.rr.com](mailto:rbaker19@tx.rr.com)

## April Secretary's Report

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Lee Rice. Absent from the meeting were President Tim Lovett, Secretary Sonny Coleman and Treasurer Tom Russell. Ed Newman stepped in to record the minutes.

The previous meetings minutes were approved as printed in the monthly newsletter.

### Treasurers Report

The treasurer's report was presented to the members in attendance and was approved.

The Combat events netted the club approximately \$1000.00. Bob Leone reported the feedback he had received from the combat pilots was, again this year, very positive. The pilots are looking forward to coming back next year! The attendance was down a bit from last year.

### Model of the Month

Dennis brought a Composite ARF Extra 330 with a ZDZ80 engine and JR servos. Pretty airplane that took home a gallon of fuel! Don't think that ZDZ80 will digest that fuel, though....

### Old Business

Upcoming events – April Fun-fly, Big Bird April 28-29.

The Incorporation paperwork has returned from the Secretary of State, the Non-profit status paperwork will now be filed with the IRS.

### New Business

David Horton and Frank Rowell fixed the startup station by the runway. They raised the back of the stand so planes would not roll away from the stand and get a propeller into the starter's hand. A total of \$19.00 was spent on supplies.

A safety issue was raised that had come to the attention of the officers and some of the members. One of the members was flying 3-D, standing by the east edge of the runway very close to the airplane that was hovering just above the ground. It was pointed out that

club rules require pilots to be standing in a pilot's station on the west side of the fence to fly. Discussion was had on the subject of 3-D flying and safety. Some members felt there should be no 3-D flying, others felt there are members that abide by the club's rules and should not be penalized for one person. A motion was seconded and passed to send the member a letter explaining that any further infractions would be the cause of removal from the club.

### Mall Show Report

There were approximately 20 aircraft at the NE Mall Show this year. The club received \$120.00 from this event. Thanks go to Roy's Hobby Shop for the donation of two Flight Simulator programs for the raffle. Thanks also go to John Stanzak for heading this event.

### Field Report

April workday cancelled due to bad weather. Next available date scheduled is May 5<sup>th</sup>. This workday will include work on our electrical and water systems, repair of the north fence, repainting of tables, etc. We need many members to get the work done.

Weed and Feed was applied 2 weeks earlier and the field is greening up nicely.

### Monthly Fuel drawing

The monthly fuel was won by Ed Newman.

## May Training Report

Well the first training evening got off to a good start with instructors Walt Fisher and Dave Horton attending. They each had a student pilot for the evening. As April has progressed we have three students in active training.

The windy weather may be preventing some from coming out to the field. As I have always said about the wind, "Welcome to Texas".

*Frank Rowell, Instructor  
Coordinator*

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Turbines and ducted fans only. Registration: \$25 on site only. Fajita dinner Friday night for pilots. Awards dinner Saturday night at the field, \$10 with steak and trimmings.

MAY 19--Benbrook, TX (C) Thunderbird Memorial Warbird Fly-In. Site: Thunderbird Field, Dutch Branch Park, Lake Benbrook, TX. Events: Sponsor: Fort Worth Thunderbirds #1217. CD: Terry Thorpe, 413 Schooner Drive, Azle, TX 76020. Phone: 817-444-8237(day) 817-444-8237(eve) E-Mail: [thorpetr@flash.net](mailto:thorpetr@flash.net) WebSite: [www.fwthunderbirds.org](http://www.fwthunderbirds.org) 11th Annual Thunderbird Memorial Fly-In. Free Lunch - Give aways - pilot promotions. 450 ft concrete and grass runways. Fixed-rotary wing and jets - Turbine waiver required. Pilot briefing at 9am. Landing fee \$10. Contact Terry at 817-444-8237 or Woody at 817-294-8746. More info at [www.fwthunderbirds.org](http://www.fwthunderbirds.org)

MAY 19--Lucas, TX (C) North Texas Combat - Spring Offensive. Site: Richardson Club Field, Bratonia Park. Sponsor: Richardson RC Club #623. CD: Ed Kettler, 6725 Grant Lane, Plano, TX 75024. Phone: 972-605-0129(day) 469-867-7981(eve) E-Mail: [ed.kettler3@verison.net](mailto:ed.kettler3@verison.net) WebSite: [www.rrcc.orgRCCA](http://www.rrcc.orgRCCA) SSC and 2548 Scale WW2 fighter combat, followed by 3696 electric warbird. AMA and hard hats required.

MAY 20--Weatherford, TX (C) WAMS Spring Float-Fly. Site: Cartwright Park, GPS: 32 47 16.78 N, 97 49 49.54 W. Sponsor: Weatherford Aeromodeling Society #2267. CD: Verne Bell, 1805 Greenwood Cut Off, Weatherford, TX 76088-8613. Phone: 817-599-9580(day) 817-599-9580(eve) E-Mail: [vernebell@intergate.com](mailto:vernebell@intergate.com) WebSite: [www.wamsrc.com](http://www.wamsrc.com) Great location, great spectator location. North of the courthouse on Hwy-51 to FM-920. Go 2 miles to Cartwright Park Road. \$10 landing fee. Food and restrooms available. 9a.m. to 4p.m.

MAY 26--Mansfield, TX (C) 2nd Annual Big Bird Fly-In. Site: Club Field. Sponsor: Hawk Field Flyers of Texas #3369. CD: Ronald Colyer, 2106 Avalon Lane, Arlington, TX 76014. Phone: 817-680-6227(day) 817-861-4145(eve) E-Mail: [rcolyer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rcolyer@sbcglobal.net) WebSite: [www.hawkfield.org](http://www.hawkfield.org) All aircraft to meet the 60" Biplane/80" Monoplane rule. Flying to begin at 8:30 a.m., fly till 3 p.m. Landing fee is \$15; lunch is included. E-Combat will be allowed during the day and special time will be given 3D pilots if needed.



## BIG BIRD REPORT

Great weather and good flying Saturday and Sunday for the GSW Big Bird as 18 pilots flew many missions to the enjoyment of many spectators. Jim Dietrick with his huge 1/2 scale Spacewalker II was awesome and carried home the awards for best Civilian aircraft and Pilots choice. Jims aircraft was built from factory drawings and powered with a 7.4 Twin cylinder engine. Jack Haynes brought a beautiful Fokker D7 and exhibited great flying winning best pre 1935 military and best scale flight.

Jack's aircraft was from a Balsa USA kit and powered by a 3W 80 engine. Lawrence Harville won best post 1935 military with his Yellow aircraft spitfire powered by a G-62 Zenoah.

Special thanks to Bob Leone and Tom Russell for help with Registration, and Herb Roundy, Peggy Lovett, Barry Ponder, Mark Foster, Bob Leone, and Tom Russell for Cooking and serving the great food we have come to expect. The club owes these workers a special thanks.

*Max Ficken*



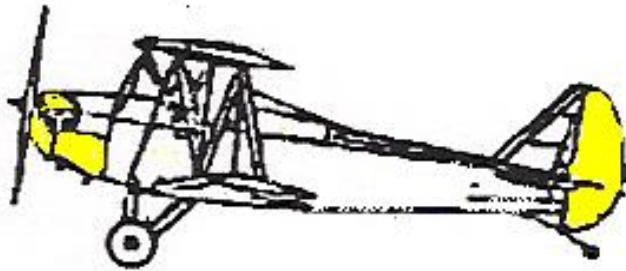
# 2007 TEXAS BIPLANE FUN FLY

Hosted by the Greater Southwest Aero Modelers Club

DATE: June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007

SITE : Greater Southwest Aero Modelers Flying Field  
6903 Randol Mill Road, Fort Worth

## AWARDS- -REFRESHMENTS



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### EVENT DIRECTOR

Tim Lovett

Ph 817-268-7797

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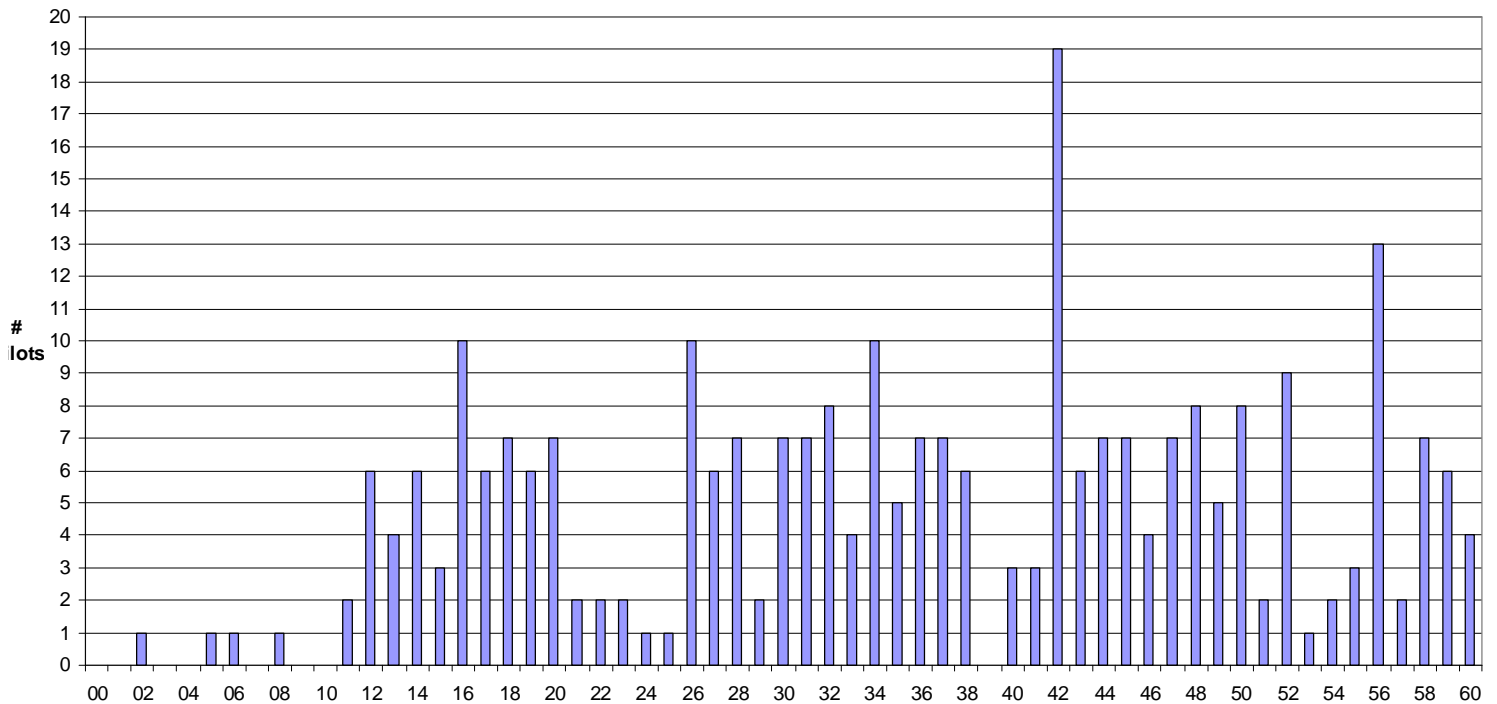
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### Greater Southwest Modeler's Club Frequency/Channel Usage



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