



ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS CHARTERED CLUB #1255

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***THE MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, AT RIVERWIND!!***

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

At the membership meeting in October ACRC will be taking nominations for board members for 2012/2013. Four positions will have to be filled. The two-year terms of Eric Castrodale, Marc Davis, Andy Thunstrom and Steve Ulrich are ending. Start thinking of who would be a good board member and come to the October meeting and nominate them. If you check with them first to see if they will accept the nomination it will make the process proceed more smoothly. You might even consider nominating yourself. ACRC needs members who are willing to help run the club. You cannot just wait for the next guy to do the work while you just fly. Ask not what ACRC can do for you, but rather what can you do for ACRC. Even you can be a FBM. (F----- Board Member) The election is in November and the new board takes over in December.

### Fly-Out information

Approximately 50 pilots.

179 Meals served.

Sold:

400 general raffle tickets:

- Great Planes U-Can-Do ARF (Donated by Chris Elliot)
- 4 \$25.00 Gift Certificates to King Kong Hobbies
- 2 ACRC Hats
- 2 ACRC Combat T-Shirts

26 raffle tickets for the RV-9 flight (Donated by Bob Moser)

RV-9 flight won by Mr. Robert (Bob) Nagle

52 raffle tickets for the 50/50 drawing  
50/50 drawing won by Mr. Scott Oleson

Weather permitting; the last fun-fly for 2011 will be on Saturday, October 22.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT RIVERWIND ON OCTOBER 20 AT 7:00 PM.

Stan Zdon



SPRC member Al Schwartz's DH-4 on landing approach at the Fly-Out.

Photo by Jeff Flander



## ACRC EVENTS

Wow, what a flying season we have had. While it got off to a slow start it has really ended with a big bang. It's October and we are still having days in the 80s! The past month has been a great with all the club events that have been going on. We had the Electric Fly, 2 combat events, a fun fly and the Fall Fly-Out.

September 10 was the Electric Fly and we had great weather. There were 20 registered flyers with several guest flyers this year. This event fell on a very busy weekend for flying in MN so attendance was down from last year. Still, all that attended had a great time.

October 1 was the biggest club event of the year, the Fall Fly-Out. This is the traditional close of the event season and is by far the largest event that the club puts on every year. I hope that everyone that attended enjoyed the event as much as I did. I'm told that we had 34 flyers and somewhere on the order of 200 spectators. Now that's a great event!

Like last year we were fortunate enough to have Troy back to cook a 250-pound pig. I'm told that was 50 pounds more than last year. Some of you may remember that we almost ran out of food last year. This year Amy was not going to let that happen. In addition to Troy cooking the pig, John Sager cooked 4 very large of pans of baked beans. For those of you who may not know John, he and his brother enter BBQ contests so the beans were award winning. Amy also made sure that we had lots of potato salad, 60 pounds to be exact! I would also like to thank all of the club members for their help as well as supplying deserts for the club events. We truly are in a great club and it has been an honor the past two years to be your event coordinator. I would also like to extend a very special thank you to Amy Thiede, Roger Jeffrey, John Sager and Jake Groetsch. Without these people this event would not have run a smooth as it is. They all put in countless hours in preparations; from the bottom of my heart thank you all for all that you have done pulling this event together.

**Fun Fly** - There's one more fun fly left but and the race is getting tight between Dan Thiede and Jeff Flander. Dan has a pretty solid seven-point lead but stranger things have happened. Come on out to see the exciting conclusion of the 2011 fun fly season Saturday October 22.

The three events for September were the most touch and goes in two minutes, slow-fast flight and the last event consisted of 3 loop, three rolls and three touch and goes. I'm happy to report that everyone finished this month with their planes intact.

The first event, the most touch and goes, was won by Andy Thunstrom and Phil Vaughn, with 8 touch and goes in two minutes. Flyers had to clear the end of the runway and were required to fly a pattern approach meaning they could only perform the touch and go into the wind.

The second event was an event that we save for windy days. Slow-fast flight, is an event where flyers try to fly as slow as they can into the wind without changing altitude. They then come back and fly with the wind as fast as they can. In both cases the pass is timed and the flyer with the biggest time difference wins. The winner was Andy Thunstrom (again) with a time difference of 20.85 seconds. Nice job Andy.

The final event was a timed event that required the flyer to take off, perform three loops, three rolls and then a touch and go. This was repeated two more times with the time stopping on wheels touch of the last touch and go. The contest must have been rigged, as the winner was a clean sweep of all three events. Yes, you guessed it Andy Thunstrom killed everyone with an outstanding time of 117.66 seconds. Nice job Andy, I think you were the first person this year to sweep the field. Very nice job Andy!

Marc Davis - Event Coordinator

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Club Meeting October 20, 2011  
Fun Fly October 22, 2011

## SEPTEMBER FUN FLY RESULTS

Name	1st Evt	2nd Evt	3rd Evt	Plc	Pts
Stan Zdon	2	10	7	6	20
Joe Parent	3	7	4	5	21
Jeff Flander	2	5	5	4	22
Dan Thiede	4	2	1	2	24
Phil Vaughn	1	3	6	3	23
Andy Thunstrom	1	1	2	1	25
Chris Cone	7	4	8	6	20
Roger Jeffery	-	-	-	11	15
Andy Noll	6	9	9	8	18
Marc Davis	3	8	3	5	21
Kris Westerbur	4	6	11	7	19
Bob Nagle	6	11	10	9	17
Dale Anderson	5	12	12	10	16

## FLIGHT TRAINING

Here we are in October and flight training is winding down. I don't have open training days scheduled for the rest of the year but training can continue as long as we have good weather. We have two pilots finishing their training and there is still time for new pilots to start this year and continue through the winter with simulators. I do highly recommend them. They save a lot of money compared to crashed airplanes. I would like to thank the people who helped with training this year. Even I learned some things from my fellow trainers. If you would like training or discovery flights, please call or email me to schedule some time.

Til next month.

Dale Anderson  
Instruction Coordinator

## CURRENT FUN FLY RESULTS

Name	Apr Pts	Jun Pts	Jul Pts	Aug Pts	Sep Pts	Tot Pts	Plc
Andy Noll	0	0	17	17	18	52	13
Andy Thunstrom	22	18	23	18	25	106	5
Bob Moser	16	0	0	0	0	16	24
Bob Nagle	0	18	13	13	17	61	11
Chris Cone	21	0	21	15	20	77	9
Chris Elliot	11	0	0	0	0	11	26
Christian Cone	24	0	0	0	0	24	21
Dale Anderson	12	14	11	0	16	53	12
Dale Case	0	0	0	21	0	21	23
Dan Thiede	25	23	25	24	24	121	1
Darren Bitzer	0	0	14	0	0	14	25
Dave Boll	23	0	0	0	0	23	22
Dave Dentz	15	0	0	18	0	33	19
Doug Jelinek	14	0	15	0	0	29	20
Jeff Flander	22	25	24	21	22	114	2
Jim Wright	0	21	22	0	0	43	16
Joe Parent	13	22	20	22	21	98	6
John Sager	0	0	0	14	0	14	25
Kris Westerbur	13	16	13	20	19	81	8
Marc Davis	19	22	16	19	21	97	7
Mike Dorff	0	20	13	0	0	33	19
Paul Castrodale	0	19	13	16	0	48	15
Paul Rono	20	15	0	0	0	35	18
Phil Vaughn	17	22	24	23	23	109	4
Ray Jelinek	21	17	12	14	0	64	10
Rick Teteak	0	0	11	0	0	11	26
Roger Jeffery	12	0	10	13	15	50	14
Scott Oleson	18	0	18	0	0	36	17
Stan Zdon	23	24	19	25	20	111	3
Steve Ulrich	0	17	0	0	0	17	24

# MEETING MINUTES

September 15, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7 P.M.  
27 members present.

## New Members: 4

## Board Reports:

**Safety:** Andy Thunstrom reminded all to pay attention to traffic on the runway. This is especially important during events. Pilots may be on the runway retrieving planes. Be sure to call out loudly you intentions. Also, stay east of the runway when flying.

**Membership:** Stan Zdon reports the club has 110 members.

**Events:** Marc Davis reviewed the Scale, Electric, Fun Fly and Combat standings. Marc reminded everyone of the Fun Fly this coming Saturday. There will also be a Combat event this Sunday at 1:00 PM.

**Training:** Dale Anderson reports a successful training season that is now coming to a close. If anyone is interested in training please see Dale.

**Treasurer:** Roger Jeffrey reviewed the club accounts. All are in order.

## Old Business:

The members expressed their appreciation to all who helped mow the field this summer.

The members also expressed their appreciation to Bob Moser for the discovery flights during the Electric Fly-In event.

## New business:

Jeff Flander and Roger Jeffrey reported on the fly in they attended in Bemidji. It was very well attended with many interesting planes. Overall they report a good time and recommended it for next year to anyone that might be interested.

## Raffle:

1st	Mike Dorff	Spektrum receiver
2nd	John sager	Servo
3rd	Dan Thiede	Spektrum receiver
4th	Jerry Setterholm	Robart stand
5th	Dale Anderson	F-20 static model
6th	Bob Nagel	Wheels
7th	Roy Carrigan	Protective foam
8th	Tim Karash	Tail wheel bracket

Steve Ulrich

## ACRC SAFETY

The ACRC Fly-Out came and went in a blink of an eye. There was an excellent turn out with no mishaps other than of a couple rekits. Considering the number of pilots we had from other visiting clubs and our own club all went well with no injuries to report; excellent. The end of the season is pretty much here and we have had some pretty nice weather get in those last minute flights. Take your time and enjoy the wonderful fall we are having. Just keep safety and the rules in mind. Thanks for a great year.

Andy Thunstrom

## ACRC COMBAT

The last combat was October 9, sad to say. Hopefully the season has been a fun one for the participants. The year has been fun filled with lots of action. More planes, lots of cuts, improved pilots, great or awesome mid airs and more potential pilots for next year. There has been some scuttlebutt about a 25 class next year; this could be talked about at club meeting. There could also be some rule changes for next year judging from the input from some of the pilots. So as the season come to an historic end, **Thank You** to the people who flew these crude planes and also to our helpers.

Andy Thunstrom



## 2011 COMBAT REPORT

The 2011 ACRC Combat League held its final event of 2011 on October 9. Twelve pilots were on-hand for the event. The results for the 2011 season are shown below.

Congratulation to Marc Davis for ending the season as the overall points leader.

Roger Jeffrey

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PILOT	4/17/11	6/13/11	6/28/11	8/7/11	8/12/11	9/5/11	10/9/11	TOTAL
Marc Davis	190	320	840	195	240	C	140	1925
Andy Thunstrom	320	120	685	220	100	A	250	1695
Andy Noll	0	195	640	20	615	N	0	1470
Jim Wright	0	0	535	245	535	C	70	1385
Matt Campson	190	220	100	20	320	E	385	1235
Dale Anderson	290	100	0	200	140	L	385	1115
Joe Parent	285	0	285	20	0	E	100	690
Ray Jelinek	190	95	145	0	0	D	115	545
Scott Oleson	0	0	535	0	0		0	535
Chris Cone	0	0	345	0	120		20	485
Darren Bitzer	0	385	0	0	0		0	385
Christian Cone	0	0	20	0	100		0	120
John Sager	0	0	0	0	0		100	100
Jim Taylor	95	0	0	0	0		0	95



Photos by Jeff Flander

# OCTOBER 1 FALL FLY-OUT

Pictures by Brett Ohnstad



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Stan Zdon's RV-4 landing.

Photo by Jeff Flander

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*Deadline for the  
next newsletter is:  
December 1, 2011*

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday – October 20

- ACRC Club Meeting

Saturday – October 22

- ACRC Fun Fly

Thursday – November 17

- ACRC Club Meeting

Thursday – December 15

- ACRC Club Meeting

