



ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS CHARTERED CLUB #1255

# SERVO CHATTER

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**THE MEETING ON OCTOBER 15 IS AT RIVERWIND!!! 7:00 PM**

## PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

### Mission Accomplished

The October fly out started at 8:00. I was the lone member for the first hour plus.

I did get paint on three more tables. There is still some bench repair needed. I have the pieces cut and ready for install.

Ryan showed up in time to help me with repositioning the parking timbers to create four foot walkways between and possibly allow the mower to pass through.

There was a short discussion about lawnmower maintenance and storage which will be discussed at our next meeting

I changed our sign for our January first FREEZE FLY.

I had to leave by 11:00 but not before I flew the CAP232 a couple of times and enjoyed a donut supplied by Bruce with my coffee. There were three pilots there when I left. With better weather on its way I hope all had a great day of flying.

I am now looking forward to putting on some skis for those frosty mornings.

Jeff Slater



## VICE PRESIDENT

It's been a crazy summer and our season is quickly coming to an end. In mid September I returned to Sky Corral RC field in Pueblo Colorado where they have tried applying the geo tech fabric runway to their badly aging runway. After about 18 months, they are quite happy with the results. My main concern was frost as we are in a deep freeze here for the winter and Pueblo is high desert country. However they do go thru rapid frosts that last for several days and then rapid thaws and heat several times throughout winter and the fabric does react well to heaving. They installed with both spike and adhesives over old asphalt, so looks like this is a viable option to total replacement.

Tony Hahn

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Although the board elections were held during the summer, it won't be long before the next round of nominations will be here. This would be a good time to start thinking about who would be a good board member. 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 NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT RIVERWIND ON OCTOBER 15 AT 7:00 PM.

Stan Zdon

## A Look Back

### OCTOBER 2002

18 YEARS AGO

A dozen members braved the gusty winds for the August Fun-Fly. The final event of an egg drop was difficult to establish rankings because a tape long enough to measure the dropped egg distances does not exist.

Greg Classen has stepped in to fill the safety officer position vacated by Charles Skaudis.

A page and a half of informative winter storage tips was provided by the Itasca R/C club editor.

A tidbit from Show and Tell:

Paul Rono brought a Model Tech Magic ARF. It has a brushless electric motor and flies on 16 cells. Progress.

### OCTOBER 1992

28 YEARS AGO

The headline reads:

“ACRC GENERAL MEETING - THURSDAY OCT 15 7PM AT RIVERSIDE”

Cue Twilight Zone theme music here...

Mother Nature literally put the dampers on the Weekday Evening Fly-In BBQ. A few souls braved the damp weather to participate in the festivities. The Fun-Fly on the following Saturday more than made up for the dismal weather conditions.

An unknown author reminisced about balsa wood carving in the early days. He felt that there was no better therapy than cutting ribs from 1/16th sheet stock, or sanding the shape into a soft balsa wood block. I must agree with the therapeutic action of shaping a block of wood into your the picture in your mind.

Orville's help column recommended 2 ways to land your plane after the landing gear falls off in flight:

- 1) Have a helper go upwind and catch the plane while sprinting like hell.
- 2) Roll inverted just before landing and use the rudder as a skid.

Dan Weinberg happened upon a group of Free Flight enthusiasts. After observing the multitude of launching techniques: Run, Hop, and Throw, or Slingshot style with a huge rubber band, or tow launch with kite string, only to have it immediately crash or disappear from sight. Dan surmised it was like Aircraft Roulette: launch it and maybe you will see it again.

Tim Karash

## ACRC FUNDRAISER

As we slog through the dumpster fire of 2020, the effects of time and weather on our paved runway has continued. Eventually, we will need to replace the asphalt. Needless to say, it's going to be expensive. Raising monies for a project like this will take effort on everyone's behalf.

Last year, we raised just under \$600 from calendar sales. We are going to do it again this year, but Jeff and I have a goal this year of \$1000, which should be very achievable.

I will be at the upcoming meetings with calendars in hand. Remember, you do not have to pay for them in advance. Take what you think you can sell and return unsold items (along with cash for those sold).

Sell, sell, sell. Time to get even with those Girl Scouts, school, and church fundraisers that always have their hand out!

Tim Karash

## ACRC MINUTES

16 Members present.

New member - Tony Alferness

**President:** Jeff Slater started the meeting at 6:08.

The next meeting is at Riverwind on October 15.

Parking lot ties will be moved on October 3.

**Vice President:** Neil Olson won the auction. His winning bid got him a SIG Something Extra airplane kit and a SuperTigre 40 engine.

**Membership report:**

95 members are signed up so far for 2020.

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**Events:**

Fall Fly-Out is scheduled for October 3.  
The ACRC Freeze Fly is January 1.

**Training:** Training will continue in October as long as the weather is good.

**Safety report:**

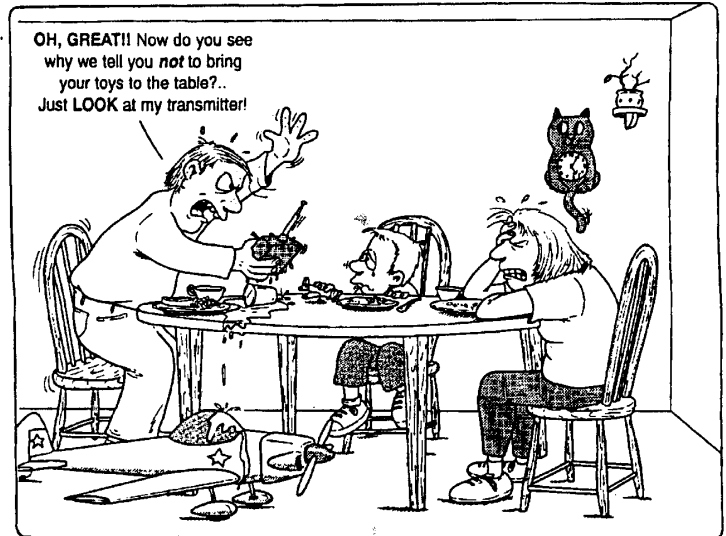
No flying issues.  
Follow COVID-19 guidelines.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Income: 2275.00  
Expenses: \$210.00

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Tim Karash will have calendars at the October meeting.



**Show and Tell:**

Tim Karash showed his Flying Machine designed by Don Muddiman. He started building the plane in 1991 and is finishing it 2020. The airframe weighs 29 ounces and it will be powered with an OS 46.

Stan Zdon

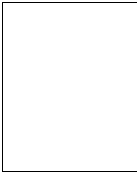
# ACRC TRAINING

Ryan Kontak has signed on as a trainer.  
Tony Alferness, who joined at the September meeting, has been checked out by an instructor.  
James Huismann has joined the club with Bob Barton at the field

Bob Barton



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**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

Thursday – October 15  
 • ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Saturday – October 17  
 • ACRC Fun Fly #6

Thursday – November 19  
 • ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Thursday – December 17  
 • ACRC Meeting-Riverwind

Friday – January 1  
 • ACRC Freeze Fly

