



# The Propwash



The Monthly Newsletter of the San Antonio Prop Busters  
Academy of Model Aeronautics, Chartered Club Number 1227

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**MEMBERSHIP**  
**RENEWALS are DUE By**  
**The July Meeting**  
Current Members please see  
Membership Notes and  
Attached General Invoice  
**Not Valid for New**  
**Memberships**

**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday**  
**July 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**2015**

**7:00 PM IHOP**  
**14424 San Pedro Ave**  
Google Coordinates:  
29.57312, -98.47847

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**LOCATED ON NORTH**  
**BOUND ACCESS RD**  
**OF 281**  
**Between Bitters and**  
**Oak Shadow/Winding Way**

If you're going South on 281,  
Exit Bitters and Take the  
Turnaround  
If you're going North on 281,  
Exit Bitters and Stay  
In Right Lane—It will be about  
¼ mile past Bitters

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Club Mtg**  
**Somerset Field**  
**Burgers & Dogs**  
**For Members**

**Wings Over Abilene**  
**Sea Bee Park**  
**Pilot & General Raffle**  
**July 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Concrete Runway**  
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**Lake Dallas Float Fly**  
**Willow Grove Park**  
**July 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**\$20 Landing Fee**  
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**Camp Site Available**  
**Pilot's Mtg 8am**

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**Date:** 6/2/2015, 7:07 PM

The meeting of the Prop Busters was called to order by Charles Strang, at IHOP, 14424 San Pedro Ave, just north of Bitters on 281.

**Visitors:** Scott Phillips and Ruben Castro

The May meeting minutes were approved without revision.

**President:** Charles welcomed everyone. For the nonexistent VP/Safety Officer, Charles reminded all to look out for snakes due to the recent rains.

Also, give your aircraft a once over inspection before you start to fly. As an example, a cracked plastic spinner broke off, striking the pilot in the face after starting the engine.

**Vice President/Safety Officer:** OPEN

**Secretary:** Terry no comment.

**Treasurer:** Jim reported the various expenses, income, and account balances for May. If you need details contact Jim.

**Early Bird Raffle:**  
**Sidney Hipp** – Fuel

**Membership:** Rick Storm reminded all that it was renewal time. So get those dues in before the August meeting when the delinquents are dropped. He reported that **Ruben Castro** was interested in joining. Ruben introduced himself as being from Panama Zone, retired Air Force radio operator, and retired civil servant aircraft mechanic. As for RC flight experience, it's all been on simulator. Ruben plans to buy a plane soon.

Rick agreed to put Ruben on buddy box for real world training using the club's LT 40 Trainer because an RC plane in the air is not the same as in a simulation! Membership approval was unanimous, pending arrival of the "check in the mail".

**Newsletter:** Standing order for the newsletter is that free ads and articles of interest for the newsletter need to be submitted by members to **John Gardner** by the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Web Editor**  
**Robert Jarzombek** has been updating the club website. The website includes the **Flying Regs, Procedures, FOR SALE items, Newsletters, and Events. Check it out!**

**Old Business:**  
**VP/Safety Officer:** There being no other nominees beside **Bob Severance**, he was unanimously voted to the position. **Thanks Bob!**

**Entry Road:** When the road dries out, the plan is to fill in low spots with base material. **Ray Murry** volunteered to get pricing for delivering **12 cu. yd. of #2 base**, to be piled near the road/flying field and using our tractor to fill in low spots in the road as they occur. The **gate opening dimension** will also be confirmed (8ft or 10 ft?) for delivery.

**Air Field Roller:** It hasn't been picked up.

**Equipment Access: It is important to keep the tractor shed locked.** At this time, mowing and the like will be carried out by selected members to better control use and maintenance of the equipment.

**Night Flying:** It was understood that night flying was temporarily suspended for a time, **but it is once again okay to pursue night flying at the Somerset Field.**

**New Business:**

**BAM's use of Prop Busters Fields:**  
BAM's members sought the use of our flying fields because theirs is inaccessible due to heavy rains damaging the park road access. After little discussion, BAM's members were approved to use our fields, as long as they are **accompanied** by or are also a Prop Buster.

**Field Maintenance: 1.** The spectator fence line needs a good "Weed Whacking". **2.** Shelves (2x8x12) need to be added to the tractor shed.

**Emergency Info Sign:** Both fields need a sign with key emergency information **beyond relying on 911.** The sign is to include: field address, GPS coordinates, nearest emergency room/hospital (with directions/map), fire department, and police, to be posted in plain view. **(Charles will contact the Sustala's for Somerset info, and Bob Severance can likely get info for San Geronimo Airport.)**

**Report for MayDay fly-in:** The weather was not as bad as predicted and there were eight paid pilots. The event came out positive financially and the jambalaya was well received. A portion of the initial budget was returned in the form of drinks and paper products needed for future events. Thanks to **Ray Murry**, the chef, and his assistants, **Charles and his wife** for preparing the food. Also thanks to **Robert Jarzombek** and **Don**

**Gray** for their assistance in managing the registration and general assistance with whatever was needed. **Thanks to Bob Severance for his work as the CD.**

**MODEL OF THE MONTH:** **George Wilson** showed his new **Park Zone Sport Cub** with a 52 inch wing span. The plane comes as a BNF. George commented that buying the plane, the motor, servos, ESC, receiver and battery would have cost much more than the **\$ 219** he paid for the whole package. It flies well, using a 3C-1300 mAh LiPo. The model was finished with a scale color scheme. He mentioned that this plane represented a big improvement over his first electric PT Trainer from many years ago rigged with a RC car motor and battery.

**CRASH DUMMY:** Nobody admitted to crashing. But **Bob Severance** took the crash dummy for having overlooked a cracked spinner that ended up in his face, just missing his eye before drawing a blood sample.

**The Raffle:**

**Dave Gell-** CA, fuel dot, heat shrink tubing

**Mark Blackmer-**CA

**Charles Strang-**hinge marker

**Rick Storm-**Fuel, hatch latch

**Ray Murry-**Servo, CA kicker

**Sidney Hipp-**Gold rods

**George Wilson-**Foam

**Jerry Giles-**Wheels

Adjourned 8:13 PM

Submitted by Secretary: Terry Ullman

**Gate at Highway:** It seems that one horse is smart enough to escape by

going over the "cattle guard" at the main gate. Although it is expected that this horse will be transferred soon, the **MAIN GATE MUST BE CLOSED AFTER EVERY USE.**

**Special Note: When Locking the Gate at the Cattle Guard, Run the lock through Only the End Most links of the chain.**

**The new fence charger is in place and the fence is HOT, do not get shocked. If you need to get to the fly over area--do not climb over the fence as that puts strain on the wire. USE THE HOT GATE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE FENCE.**

**Grasp only the plastic handle on the Top wire, unhook that line and hang it on the hook of the corresponding T post to the right. Do the same for the Middle and Bottom wires. Reverse to close the HOT GATE. Be careful not to get shocked! If in doubt, get HELP!**



**Membership Notes**

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*Need a membership list?  
e-mail me and I'll send you a fresh one.*

**NEED AN INSTRUCTOR? Call Me,**

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IS DUE IN JULY!**

As of this writing 16 members have submitted early renewals. To save on the crush at the meeting I would prefer dues be mailed in according to the instructions on the attached renewal sheet. I will certainly accept dues during the July meeting, but mailing to me saves on hassle at the meeting.

Remember, membership will lapse if not paid by the end of the July Meeting. Late payments will be accepted until after Break at the August meeting. After that, the club bylaws call for payment of initiation fee to rejoin as a new member.

Please see the renewal sheet included with member copies of this newsletter for full information.

The following SAPB members have birthdays in June.

<u>Day of Birth</u>	<u>Member Name</u>
2	Douglas M. Knox
16	Toribio H. Carreon
25	Raymond E. Murry Jr
30	George R. Wilson III

See you Flying!!!

# 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2015

The SAPB club members will celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> by flying and having fun along with Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Soda provided by the Club.

This will be happening at our Somerset field. No official starting time-- come when you can. We will probably be cooking between 12 and 2 pm depending on who is cooking. Bob said something about watermelon??

Anyone can bring something to snack on (chips, dips, cookies, pies). Let's make it a day to remember by having food and fun with our fellow members and Family. Hope to see you all there.

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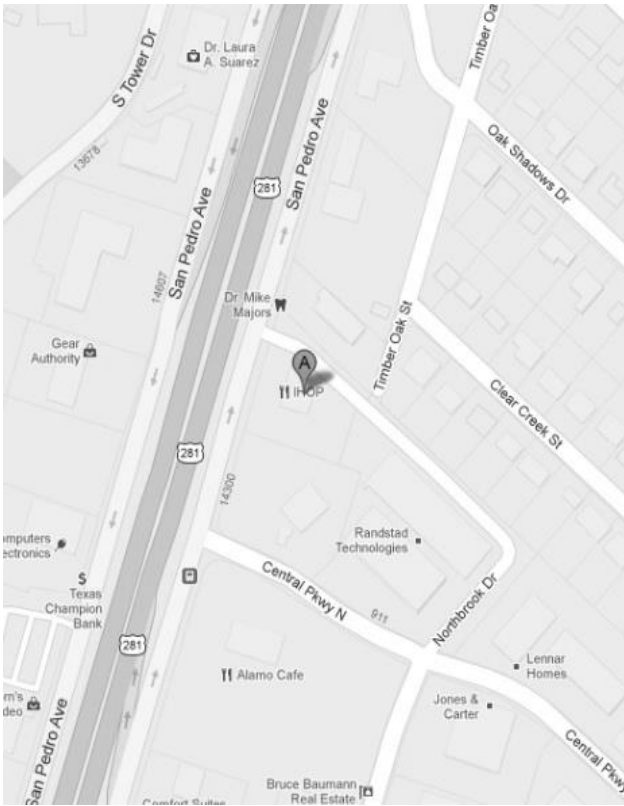
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Rob Grauel had his wife D'anika enter to win a Giant Scale P-40 and, as luck would have it, they won. It's going to take him a while to build it, but the specs are 86 inch Wing Span, 24 lbs, Top Flite P-40 Warhawk Gold Edition. (Some guys have all the luck.)





**Next Meeting  
Tuesday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
7:00 PM at IHOP on San Pedro  
See Map at Left**

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17271 Somerset Road  
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