



# The Propwash

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

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## Memberships Expire In July

## Next Meeting Tuesday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2017

**7:00 PM IHOP**  
**14424 San Pedro Ave**

Google Coordinates:  
29.57312, -98.47847

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**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  
About 1/4 mile past Bitters

## **Warbird Any Size** **Monaville**<sup>(182)</sup> **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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Timed Loops & Rolls  
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## **Big Bird Fly-In** **Waco**<sup>(156)</sup> **June 17<sup>th</sup>**

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Visit: [hotmac.org](http://hotmac.org)  
\$20 Registration w/Lunch

## **Texas Classic** **Georgetown**<sup>(85)</sup> **June 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>**

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**Date:** 5/2/2017, 7:08PM

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:** No Strangers!

**Flying Field:** When visitors or spectators show up at the field, encourage their interest by sharing with them why you like to fly and show them around. Explain how the club can help them learn to fly using a **buddy box system with an instructor**. If they happen to have a plane, offer to check it out. **Make sure they get Rick Storm's contact info.**

**Prop Busters Iron-on Shirt**

**Decals:** **Lloyd Roecker** has made several large (\$ 2.00) and small (\$0.50) iron-on decals for purchase at the meeting.

The March meeting minutes were approved.

**President:** Charles welcomed all and mentioned our **Spring Fly-in** had some rough wind, to be discussed in **Crash Chronicles**.

**VP/Safety Officer:** Bob reminded all to **fly in front of the pilot stations, NOT behind them**. Also, stay hydrated and watch out for snakes and insects as the temperature rises. If you have to retrieve a plane in the tall grass, watch out for snakes and don't reach in to dark corners of structures. **Mind the Prop!**

**Secretary:** Terry no comment.

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

**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 17th.

**Web Editor: Robert Jarzombek** has updated the website to include posting pictures and our upcoming events.

**Early Bird Raffle:** **Lee Moore** won the fuel.

**Membership: Rick Storm** reported an application from Simon Rodriguez who was not present at the meeting. Rick explained that Simon was moving to San Antonio from Houston and had visited the Somerset field and flew a few times. With completed application and dues, Simon's membership was unanimously approved.

**Visitors and Past Members:** Other than open events, we welcome visitors and want to encourage modelers to become members of Prop Busters.

**Visitors and Past members with AMA registration** are welcome to **fly** at our field **two times as a guest of an accompanying current member**. After that, it is expected that they will join or re-new their Prop Busters membership.

**Old Business:**

**Bob Severance**, the CD for the **Spring Fly-in**, commented that the event only had 14 registered pilots to brave the windy conditions that developed by mid-morning. Gumbo was served for lunch.

Thanks to Bob for working as CD and Ray Murry for cooking. Thanks to all the other members that helped with sign-in, refreshments, serving and just HELPING OUT. To accommodate flexibility in future event attendance, it was motioned that future event lunches should consist of **hot dogs and/or hamburgers with condiments and chips**. This would simplify, food purchase, preparations, and reduce cost. After some discussion the motion was approved.

**Fly-Over Area:** From here out, the **fly over area will no longer be mowed**. Per the land owner, the vegetation will be periodically baled.

**Build n Fly event scheduled for October:** A volunteer is needed to put together a flyer for the event that will include the Vintage RC Group.

**The New Signs:** They withstood the strong winds, but they seem to be a little difficult to see from the road because of vegetation. The site will be reviewed to see about trimming the vegetation or remounting the signs higher.

**Events: TCF Warbird Event on June 10 at Kingsbury.** No size restrictions.

#### **New Business:**

**Vulgar Language:** Although it may be “just guy talk”, there often are others in ear shot of what is being said. Foul language often makes people uncomfortable, as evidenced by a complaint from a visitor. Our club setting is intended to be family friendly. This means that you, other club members, your guest, your kids, your wife, daughter, dad or mother should be able to visit our flying fields without having to be exposed to vulgar language. **Don’t assume it’s OK. IF you CAN’T OR DON’T want to CONTROL YOUR LANGUAGE, drift off some distance to have your discussion in private, OUT OF EAR SHOT OF OTHERS.**

#### **MODEL OF THE MONTH:**

**Lee Moore** presented his recently completed model of **1909 Demoiselle UM** from Stevens AeroModel.com by Brazilian aviator Alberto Santos-Dumont from 1906 to 1910 and appeared in the movie of the “Those Magnificent Men and Their Flying Machines”. He purchased the kit from StevensAero.com, and it took several days to assemble the highly detailed plane. Lee commented that even the instructions were a work of art. The miniature model plane can be flown indoors. The thin wood covering the wing and other parts were all laser cut. It uses a

3.7V 50mAh LiPo and with an all up weight is 1.5 oz., it can only be flown in doors or with only a slight draft of wind outside.



**Lee Moore with his 1909 Demoiselle UM**

**Dean Lukover** showed his F6F Hellcat that he purchased from Tower Hobbies for \$120 after coupons and discounts. The plane came with servos and control rods in place. He satirically stated that he “labored for days” to install two screws to hold the wing on, a four channel receiver and a 3S-2200mAh LiPo.



**Dean Lukover with his F6F Hellcat**

**Lee Moore** won **Model of the Month** with his 1909 Demoiselle

**“Crash Chronicles”**

**Mark Blackmer** was flying his **Cherokee** and just began to gain confidence to expand his flight envelope. Unfortunately he lost control and his plane went down between the end of the runway and the road. He looked for it in the fly over area and across the road but couldn’t find it. Please keep an eye out for it so he can get his plane back.

**Jim Branaum** went out Sunday to fly his **Carbon Cub** after the event. He had recharged his battery and while handling it, the dangling wires temporarily welded together. Fortunately it was only a brief short, but it could have been worse. **Watch the leads!**

**Terry Ullman** was flying his **U-Can-Do** and landed it with the muffler missing on his 4-stroke OS-70. If you happen to find a muffler it’s probably his.

**Bob Severance** was flying his **glider** and was discussing the effects of a dive with Gary Sustala. Well, Bob hadn’t purposely put the glider into a dive. As if the plane knew, it put itself into a dive and turned into a lawn dart. Turns out that the elevator hinge failed! **Bad Karma?**

**Jack Stensgraad** tossed his **profile plane** into the wind then realized that high rates and high winds don’t mix as it performed some fast rolls into the ground! Later, he flew his **twin engine electric** and made a rough landing that

reconfigured the landing gear!  
Later, in his neighborhood he  
flew his small **Extra 3-D** into the  
wind and crashed in the cul-de-  
sac. All three were attributed to  
**"Thumbs and Wind"**

#### **The Raffle:**

**Charles Strang**-CA, CA

**Nick**- Electric fuel pump

**Robert Jarzombek**-Fuel, hinge

tape, control rods, control horns

**Jerry Giles**-Epoxy, de-bonder, fuel  
line

**Lee Moore**-Foam tape

**Jim Branaum**-Xacto knife

**Lloyd Roecker**-Sticks, fuel can  
filter, pins, dbl sd tape

**Mark Blackmer**-Shrink tubing

**Dean Lukover**-Zip ties

Adjourned 8:09 PM

Submitted by Secretary: Terry  
Ullman



#### **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,

We had one new member join in  
May. His name is Simon Rodriguez  
and he's a long time modeler  
moving to San Antonio from  
Houston.

#### **Membership renewal DUE in July!**

Dues may be paid by mail and  
during the June and July meetings.  
Membership is due and payable at  
or before the July Meeting and 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 this newsletter for full  
information.

Mail in payments are appreciated as  
it reduces turmoil at the meeting.

The following members have  
birthdays in June.

When you see them, congratulate  
them for being one year wiser.

#### **Day of Birth Member Name**

1	Kenneth J. Rogers
3	Terry Taylor
7	Gary Harris
10	Jerry Giles
24	Richard J. Storm
29	David A. Gell

See you at the field.

NOTE: Mark's plane was found on  
the other side of the road by two  
boys. Mark got his plane back on  
the 13<sup>th</sup> of May.

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# Gerry Miller Memorial Warbird

June 10<sup>th</sup> 2017

Old Kingsbury Aerodrome, Kingsbury TX 78638



The members of Tri-City Flyers ([www.tricityflyers.com](http://www.tricityflyers.com)) are very proud to present the second **Gerry Miller Memorial Warbird** event. This is being held at our club field, 190 Pershing Lane, Kingsbury, TX 78638. The site is also the home of the Pioneer Flight Museum, so feel free to visit their website at [pioneerflightmuseum.org/index.shtml](http://pioneerflightmuseum.org/index.shtml). Their museum will be open for our event. To be able to fly in our event you must be an AMA member and fly a Warbird aircraft in military colors. A Yellow Cub just won't cut it! A landing fee of \$20 is charged to registered pilots and will include lunch. Food and drinks will also be available for purchase to everyone. The facility now has a permanent restroom, so please let your partner know they no longer have to use a porta potty! Welcome to the 21<sup>st</sup> century ladies! Pilot registration will open at 8am and flying will begin after a short pilots' meeting. If you do bring any children, please maintain a constant vigil for their safety. While visiting the museum, children must be accompanied by an adult. This may not necessarily mean you as you just play with bigger and more expensive toys than they do!

CD for this event is Dean Lukover ([lukoverd@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lukoverd@sbcglobal.net)).

Sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics. AMA Sanction #226





**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**7:00 PM at IHOP on San Pedro**  
**See Map at Left**

**Prop Busters Somerset RC Field**  
**17271 Somerset Road**  
**Von Ormy, Tx 78073**  
**Google Coordinates:**  
**29.254316 -98.641541**

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